

**Letter of Intent  
FOR PARTNERSHIP  
BETWEEN  
THE WORLD ORGANISATION FOR ANIMAL HEALTH  
AND  
JAPAN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGENCY**

**1. Participants**

The Participants to this LETTER OF INTENT are

- The World Organisation for Animal Health, hereafter referred to as “OIE.”
- Japan International Cooperation Agency of Japan, hereafter referred to as “JICA”

OIE and JICA are hereinafter respectively referred to as a “Participant” and jointly referred to as the “Participants”.

**2. Purpose**

2.1 The broad objectives of this LETTER OF INTENT are to promote collaboration and technical interchange between the Participants.

2.2 Upon the mutual consent of the Participants, and subject to the availability of funds and anchored on the existing JICA’s bilateral partnerships, collaboration may be carried out in, but not necessarily limited to, the following activities:

- Building capacity of stakeholders in the field of One Health (Prevention and control of Zoonoses, Antimicrobial resistance, etc.) through the promotion of south-south cooperation and the long-term training in Japan.
- Improving capacity and skill-set of veterinary services including laboratories, in target countries through the trainings and seminars for veterinarians and veterinary paraprofessionals, or cooperation projects involving them such as OIE Twinning programme.
- Strengthening health systems in target countries through multisectoral collaboration amongst human, animal and environmental sectors for the prevention and control of zoonoses and antimicrobial resistance.

- 2.3 Addenda to this document may identify specific projects, which will be undertaken within this overall LETTER OF INTENT, and the details of their management. Further Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) will be developed for specific agreements based on the mutually agreed upon objectives and outcomes, if necessary, but require the signatures of the directors of each Participant.
- 2.4 The purpose of this LETTER OF INTENT is to outline a collaborative framework between the Participants, designed to promote better public health outcomes for countries. The Participants do not intend to be legally bound to each other, and this LETTER OF INTENT does not impose legal obligations on either Participant.

### **3. Joint Managers, Administrative Officers and Working Parties**

- 3.1 Each Participant to this LETTER OF INTENT will appoint one person to act as a Joint Manager in the execution of this LETTER OF INTENT.
- 3.2 The Joint Managers may appoint Administrative Officers or Working Parties to manage the details of particular activities, curriculum or program development.

### **4. Publicity and Advertising**

The Participants agree that each Participant may publish or advertise the existence and nature of activity under this LETTER OF INTENT. Nothing in this LETTER OF INTENT will be construed as confidential.

### **5. Duration of LETTER OF INTENT**

- 5.1 This LETTER OF INTENT will be effective upon signature by each Participant for a period of three years, at which time it will be reviewed for possible renewal for another three-year period.
- 5.2 Either Participant may, with six months written notice, terminate the LETTER OF INTENT in advance of its normal expiration or request the renegotiation of its conditions. Under such circumstances, the Participants will be allowed to complete the activity under old conditions that have commenced an activity under the LETTER OF INTENT.

### **6. Modification of LETTER OF INTENT**

- 6.1 The Joint Managers may mutually propose a modification to activities or arrangements under this LETTER OF INTENT. However all modifications are subject to express written ratification by each Participant prior to the implementation of the modification.

6.2 Addenda to this document are an indispensable part of this LETTER OF INTENT.

## 7. Other Terms

7.1 Activities commenced under this LETTER OF INTENT will be construed and take effect in accordance with the respective rules and regulations of each Participant. Any action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with activities commenced under this LETTER OF INTENT will be resolved amicably, and if no amicable resolution can be agreed upon within thirty calendar days, this LETTER OF INTENT will terminate with immediate effect.

7.2 This LETTER OF INTENT is made in English.

7.3 This LETTER OF INTENT is in duplicate, and both Participants will hold one original copy.

**Signed for and on behalf of:**

**WORLD ORGANISATION  
ANIMAL HEALTH (OIE)**

**FOR**

**JAPAN INTERNATIONAL  
COOPERATION AGENCY (JICA)**



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Japan International Cooperation  
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