

OIE Updates for NFAHWC Forum, Nov. 28, 2017

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Outline

- Key issues from 85th OIE General Session
- New process for election to OIE Specialist Commissions
- OIE chapters for review and comment
- OIE Global Conference on Biological Threat Reduction
- Update on PVS report and next steps

85th OIE General Session Delegation

CFIA: Harpreet Kochhar, CVO/OIE Delegate
Jaspinder Komal, Deputy CVO,
Mohit Baxi, Director Import Export Division
Andrea Ellis, Veterinary Advisor to OIE Delegate

AAFC: Nathalie Doré, Senior Trade Policy Analyst

IDRC: Vincent Guyonnet, Program Leader,
Agriculture and Environment

CVMA: Troy Bourque, President

Industry:

John Masswohl, Director, Canadian Cattlemen's Association
Chris White, President and CEO of the Canadian Meat Council
Martha Wilder, Executive Director, Pet Food Association of Canada



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85th OIE General Session Key Discussions

- Revision of BSE code chapter- *ad hoc* group to the Scientific Commission concluded 1) the chapter on BSE requires major revision to reflect current epidemiology; 2) approach of the current official recognition of BSE risk status needs to be revisited
 - *Ad hoc* group is being formed to begin this work
- The OIE Global Strategy on Animal Welfare was adopted- the Welfare Working group will be replaced with a OIE Global Animal Welfare Forum
 - First meeting: March, 2018
- All presentations from the General Session can be found online: <http://www.oie.int/eng/session2017/presentation.html>

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New Process for Nomination to OIE Specialist Commissions

- 4 specialist commissions: Terrestrial, Aquatic, Biological and Scientific
- To ensure transparency in the selection of experts, a new process has been adopted
- Public call for nominations - election in May, 2018
- Looking for internationally recognized experts with skills in building consensus

<http://www.oie.int/en/standard-setting/specialists-commissions-working-ad-hoc-groups/nomination-for-election-to-the-oies-specialist-commissions>

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OIE Code Chapters Under Review

- New and updated OIE Standards go through a 2-year review and commenting cycle
- Reports from the September commission meetings now available for review and comment
- Terrestrial Commission report:
 - Includes 21 chapters for comment which are to be presented for adoption at OIE General Session, May, 2018
 - 9 chapters for comment and further development
- Aquatic Commission report:
 - 24 chapters for comment

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Select Terrestrial Code Chapters of Interest – For Comment and Adoption

- Zoning and compartmentalization
- Monitoring and usage of antimicrobials
 - definitions of therapeutic use vs growth promotion
- New chapter on vaccination

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Select Terrestrial Code Chapters of Interest - For Comment and Adoption

- New animal welfare chapters:
 - Laying hen production systems
 - Killing of reptiles for their skin, meat and other products
- Official control of emerging and listed diseases

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- Global Affairs Canada (GAC) and the CFIA supported the OIE in hosting the Global Conference
- Over 300 people from all regions of the world gathered for 3 day meeting
- Goal of strengthening linkages between health and security sectors in addressing biological threats: natural and deliberate



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- The conference resulted in a set of recommendations that outlined concrete actions to enhance international cooperation.
- The presentations, posters and report from the conference are available on-line
http://www.oie.int/eng/BIOTHREAT2017/presentation_poster_recom.htm

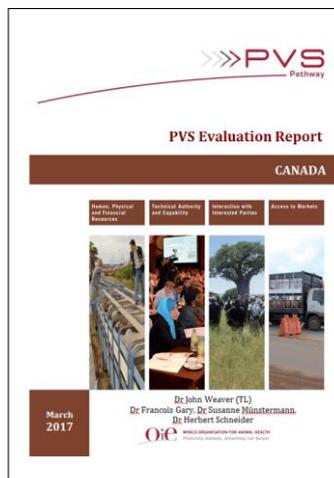
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After the Conference

- The outcomes of the conference will feed into discussions at next year's G7 CVO meeting which CFIA will organize as part of Canada's G7 Presidency activities.
- For GAC, the conference recommendations inform the work plan for the Global Partnership Against the Spread of Weapons and Materials of Mass Destruction.
- GAC will take over as chair of the program in 2018.

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Performance of Veterinary Services (PVS) Evaluation of Canada



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Reminder - What is the PVS?

The Performance of the Veterinary Services (PVS) is an evaluation carried out by the OIE of the veterinary services of a country against the International Standards in the *OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code*.



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What is the PVS Evaluation Based On?

The following 3 sources of information (Evidence):

1. Documentation:

- a) "Baseline Documents" sent ahead of visit
- b) Critical Competency specific information

2. On-site visits

3. Interviews & discussions during on-site visits

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1. Documentation



Baseline documents – Provided ahead of visit

- e.g., Veterinary structure, legislation, training and CE, physical, financial, management resources etc/ demographics - animal population etc / animal health, public health, zoonoses, chemical residues, veterinary drugs and biologics, laboratories, border crossing, quarantine, ID and traceability and feed safety, welfare, communication, consultation etc.

Additional Information for each of the 47 CCs - Provided during the visit

- e.g., legislation, MOUs, agreements, manufacturing licensing, budgets & process, audits, Quality Assurance (QA) programs, SOPs, program descriptions, risk analysis process, tracing exercises, maps, statistics, stakeholder consultation, databases, job descriptions, training records, simulation exercises, audits, outbreak investigations etc.

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2. Site Visits

- 2 teams of 2 OIE Evaluators – one team visiting west & one visiting east
- Sites balanced by geographic location, size, species, federal and provincial etc.

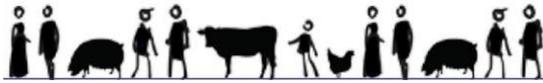


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3. Interview information

- During on-site visits, OIE Evaluators questioned subject matter experts
- On occasion - request for additional documentation

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Who did the PVS Evaluation?

Carried out by a team of four independent OIE certified PVS evaluators

OIE Evaluation team for Canada included:

- Dr. John Weaver - Team Leader
- Dr. Francois Gary
- Dr. Herbert Schneider
- Dr. Susanne Munstermann



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The logo for the Organisation for Animal Health (OIE), featuring the letters 'OIE' in a stylized red font with a small globe icon above the 'I'.

Report Contents

- Key findings and recommendations
- For each Critical Competency (CC):
 - Level of Advancement (1-5)
 - Detailed feedback:
 - ✓ evidence, findings, strengths, weaknesses, recommendations
- Appendices with information (“Evidence”) used for the evaluation

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Overall Results

- The assessment found Canadian veterinary services to operate at the highest level with no major weaknesses.
- The results are very favorable, with most scores being 5/5. A few areas scored 4/5 or 3/5
- There are some lower scores in areas of known weakness to be addressed - for example traceability of animals and their products.

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Overall Results (continued)

- Recommendations were provided for most of the competencies, including those with 5/5.
- In many cases the lead is other stakeholders such as the Provinces, Health Canada or industry.
- Canada's assessment is among the highest achieved internationally

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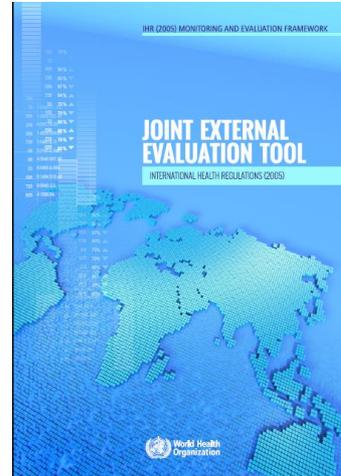
Next Steps

- The final report is expected in early January, 2018.
- The CFIA will develop an action plan with stakeholders to address all recommendations in the report.
- A communications plan is being developed in anticipation of the release of the report in the new year.
- The report will be posted on the OIE website.

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WHO Joint External Evaluation

- The results of the PVS evaluation will be used in an evaluation of Canada's implementation of the International Health Regulations being conducted by the WHO in 2018.



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