



OIE achievements on Animal Welfare

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First OIE regional workshop on (national strategy)

Stray Dog population management for Balkan countries

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World Organisation for Animal Health



1924

1945

2003

2010

Creation of the Office International des Epizooties (OIE)

Creation of the United Nations

World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE)

provide international cooperation and coordination against the spread of animal disease

to improve of animal health, veterinary public health and animal welfare world-wide



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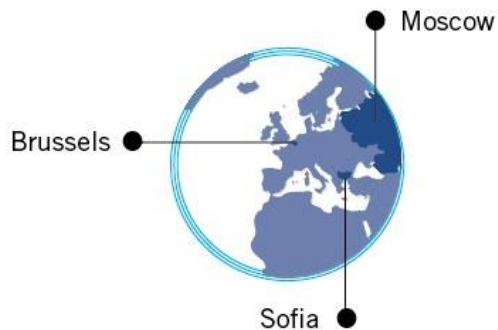
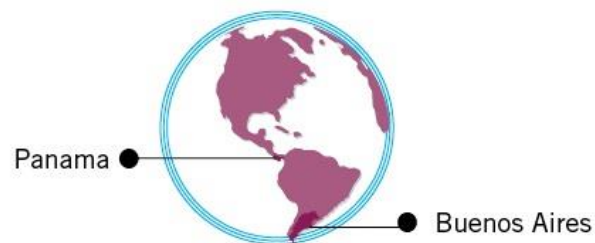
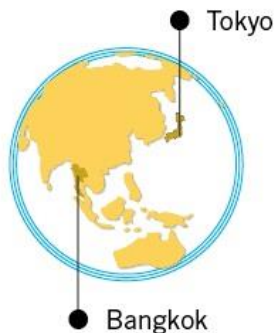


178 Member Countries

Africa 52 – Americas 30 – Asia, the Far East and Oceania 35
Europe 53 – Middle-East 20



Regional and Sub-Regional representations



Objectives of the OIE



- to ensure transparency in the global animal disease and zoonosis situation
- to collect, analyse and disseminate scientific veterinary information
- to provide expertise and encourage international solidarity in the control of animal diseases



Objectives of the OIE



- to safeguard world trade by publishing health standards for international trade in animals and animal products (WTO SPS Agreement)
- to improve the legal framework and resources of national Veterinary Services
- to provide a better guarantee of the safety of food of animal origin and to promote animal welfare through a science-based approach



Role of OIE in Animal Welfare



- Historic role of the OIE in protecting animal health
- Animal health is a key component of animal welfare
- OIE Member Countries mandated the organisation to take the lead internationally on animal welfare



OIE Objectives on Animal Welfare



- Contributing to the improvement of animal welfare globally via:
 - development of science-based standards and
 - support and technical advice to OIE Members to help them towards implementation of the standards



Evolution of the animal welfare agenda

2000: Animal welfare recognised as a strategic priority in the 3rd OIE Strategic Plan 2001-2005;

2002: Adoption by the World Assembly of OIE Delegates of a Resolution leading to the creation of a permanent Animal Welfare Working Group;

2003: Adoption of the General Principles on Animal Welfare. Beginning of the drafting of AW Chapters;



Evolution of the animal welfare agenda

2004: First Global Conference on Animal Welfare, Paris;



2005: Adoption of the first Animal Welfare Standards:

Transport of animals by land

Transport of animals by sea

Transport of animals by air (*refinement*)

Slaughter of animals for human consumption

Killing of animals for disease control purposes

2008: Second OIE Global Conference on AW, Cairo;



Evolution of the animal welfare agenda



2009: Adoption of additional Standards:

The control of stray dog populations

The welfare of farmed fish during transport

2009: First meetings of the *ad hoc* Groups on AW & livestock production systems

Beef cattle and broiler chickens

2010: Adoption of additional Standards:

Welfare aspects of stunning and killing of farmed fish for human consumption

Use of animals for research and education



Evolution of the animal welfare agenda



2012: Adoption of additional Standards:

Article 7.8.10 on Transportation (for laboratory animals)

Article 7.1.4 General Principles for the Welfare of Animals in Livestock Production Systems

Chapter 7.9 Animal Welfare and Beef Cattle Production Systems

3rd Global Conference on Animal Welfare , Kuala Lumpur



2013: Adoption of Chapter 7.10 Animal Welfare and Broiler Chicken Production Systems

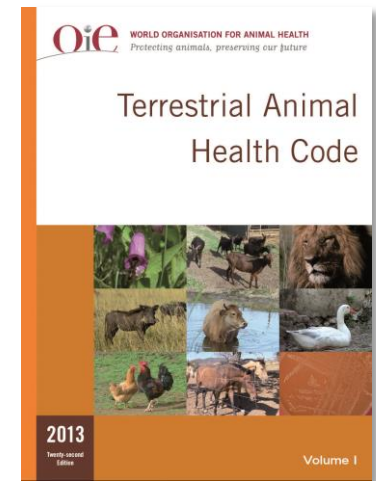


Standards on animal welfare

Terrestrial Animal Health Code



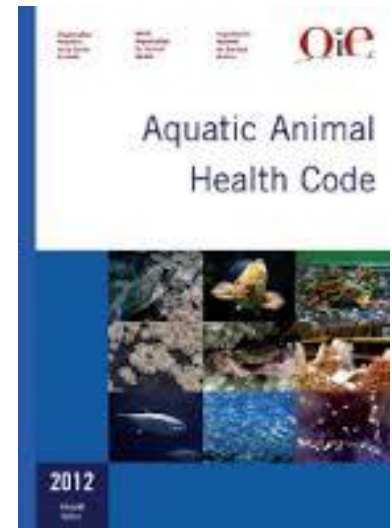
- Introduction to the recommendations for animal welfare
- Transport of animals by land
- Transport of animals by sea
- Transport of animals by air
- Slaughter of animals
- Killing of animals for disease control purposes
- Control of stray dog populations.
- Use of animals in research and education
- Animal Welfare and Beef Cattle Production Systems
- Animal Welfare and Broiler Chicken Production Systems



Standards on animal welfare

Aquatic Animal Health Code

- Introduction to recommendations for the welfare of farmed fish
- Welfare of farmed fish during transport
- Welfare aspects of stunning and killing of farmed fish for human consumption
- Killing of farmed fish for disease control purposes



Activities supporting implementation of OIE standards



- Capacity building activities
 - Animal Welfare Focal Point Seminars,
 - Improved Animal Welfare Programme
- Global Animal Welfare Conferences
(Paris 2004, Cairo 2008, Kuala Lumpur 2012)
- Regional Animal Welfare Strategies



Activities supporting implementation of OIE standards



- Regional Animal Welfare Strategies (RAWS)
 - 1st RAWS - Asia, Far East and Oceania
 - other regions / sub-regions: Americas, Middle east and Africa are developing strategies
- OIE Platform on Animal Welfare for Europe



Thank you for your attention!



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