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*Concept note and agenda*



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### Background

Foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) severely affects the productivity of livestock, disrupting regional and international trade in animals and animal products. The most significant impact of the disease in low and middle-income countries is losses in production, utility and income, which together affect livelihoods and impact food security and nutrition of farmers.

In order to reduce the FMD burden, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) developed a 15-year [Global FMD Control Strategy](#) in 2012. Since the Global FMD Control Strategy was endorsed, several initiatives were identified to establish an enabling environment to make FMD control a feasible option. One of these initiatives is to encourage countries to progressively control FMD using the [Progressive Control Pathway for FMD](#) (PCP-FMD) at country level, with control efforts coordinated at regional level. Around 80 countries in the world are currently engaged, at various levels (updated map [here](#)), in the implementation of the PCP-FMD to reduce or eliminate FMD virus (FMDV) circulation. For effective implementation of the Global FMD Control Strategy and to address some of the anticipated challenges, regional FMD roadmap platforms have been successfully established to assess progress in FMD control.

As of August 2021 in the Middle East Roadmap region, 2 countries are in provisional PCP-FMD Stage 3 (Qatar, Kuwait), 9 countries (Bahrain, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Oman, Palestine, Saudi Arabia, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates) are in provisional PCP-FMD Stage 2, while 1 is in full PCP-FMD Stage 2 (Egypt) and two countries (Yemen, Libya) have an unknown PCP-FMD status.

Foot-and-mouth disease roadmap meetings are organized under the umbrella of the FAO/OIE Global Framework for the Progressive Control of Transboundary Animal Diseases ([GF-TADs](#)), by its FMD Working Group, with the technical support from the European Commission for the control of FMD ([EuFMD](#)). Participants include Chief Veterinary Officers (CVOs)/OIE Delegates and national laboratory and epidemiology focal points (experts) engaged in FMD control programmes, FAO regional and national representatives, OIE Regional and Sub-Regional representatives, representatives from regional bodies and from the OIE/FAO Reference Laboratory [Network](#) for FMD.

To date, **four FMD roadmap meetings for the Middle East region have been held** (in 2012, 2013, 2015 and 2017). During the most recent roadmap meeting (final report available [here](#)), 11 countries attended, and a Regional Advisory Group was elected for a three-year term consisting of CVOs/OIE Delegates (or their representatives) of Bahrain (Chair), United Arab Emirates, and Jordan and leaders/assistant leaders of the epidemiology and laboratory networks Epi MENET (Egypt/Saudi Arabia) & Lab MENET (Jordan/Egypt).

The Middle East region belongs to the FMDV Pools 3 and 4 (map [here](#)). Foot-and-mouth disease is endemic in all continental countries of the Middle East with four different FMDV serotypes circulating in the region (O, A, Asia 1, SAT 2).

The epidemiology of FMD is very dynamic with several lineages threatening the region. The distribution of lineages is evolving with new patterns and antigenic variants, which impacts on the selection of vaccine strains. Strains within the O/ME-SA/PanAsia-2 and A/ASIA/Iran-05 lineages continue to be a threat. The most recent emerging lineages in the region include A/ASIA/G-VII and O/ME-SA/Ind2001 with multiple escapes seen from the Indian subcontinent with long distance trans-

pool movements observed. Also threatening the region are viruses from sub-Saharan Africa (East and Central Africa), illustrated by the recent incursions of serotype SAT2, O/EA-3 and A/AFRICA/G-IV.

Vaccination campaigns carried out in the region recently incorporated A/AFRICA/G-IV lineage in vaccines, but attention should be put on monitoring the effectiveness of vaccines against this particular lineage. Countries face challenges in surveillance and the collection and shipment of samples to the OIE/FAO Reference centres which is essential to increase knowledge of the relevant strains and to detect new incursions or variants that could threaten the whole region and beyond.

To enforce the regional efforts, share information, exchange expertise, and build the national capacity, the first regional epidemiology and laboratory networks meeting for the Middle-East was organized under the umbrella of the GF-TADs in Egypt in 2019 (final report [here](#)). The Epi MENET and Lab MENET workplans (2020-21) was developed taking into consideration regional priorities and to provide continuous support to the national and regional objectives for FMD control. To follow-up with the implementation of the networks' workplans and regional priorities, 2<sup>nd</sup> Epidemiology and Laboratory Network meeting is planned along with the 5<sup>th</sup> Middle East Roadmap meeting.

The current global restrictions related to the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic are challenging conventional approaches for the organization of international events including regional FMD roadmap meetings. The GF-TADs FMD Working Group is therefore proposing a virtual format for the 5<sup>th</sup> Middle East roadmap and 2<sup>nd</sup> Epidemiology and Laboratory Network meeting.

#### The meeting objectives are:

1. Share and review information about changes in risks related to FMDV circulation within the regional ecosystem to support recommendations for the implementation of successful control measures including vaccination strategies;
2. Strengthen the understanding of the PCP-FMD principles, and facilitate the application of the PCP-FMD Toolkit including the PCP-FMD [Self-Assessment Tool \(SAT\)](#) and the PSO system to assist and guide countries in the development, submission, implementation and monitoring of national strategies;
3. Review implementation of recommendations of 4<sup>th</sup> Middle East Roadmap meeting (15-19 October 2017) and 1<sup>st</sup> Epidemiology and Laboratory Networks meeting (26-28 November 2019);
4. Assess and map the progress on FMD control of Middle Eastern countries by reviewing the outcomes of the ongoing FMD control activities at national levels (outputs of the SAT);
5. Update the membership of the FMD Regional Advisory Group (RAG) to monitor and follow-up the regional FMD roadmap recommendations;
6. Support the review and update of regional epidemiology and laboratory networks workplans;
7. Update the Roadmap for FMD control in the Middle East, using the principles of the PCP-FMD;
8. Encourage discussions to identify regional priorities and key support needed by countries from development partners to control FMD and to strengthen their surveillance systems and laboratory capacity;

#### The expected outcomes of the meeting are:

- Country representatives are updated and familiarized with the current regional FMD situation, viral circulation, key cross border activities, and risk related to livestock mobility (objective 1);
- The latest updates and revisions of the PCP-FMD Toolkit (including PCP-FMD guidelines, vaccines and post-vaccination monitoring guidelines), supporting mechanisms for PCP-FMD

progression towards OIE status (such as the PCP-FMD Support Officer (PSO) system) are clear and familiar to the countries (objective 2);

- Information on the use of appropriate vaccines according to the most updated virological surveillance data, and the implementation of appropriate vaccination strategies are shared and recommendations are provided (objectives 1 and 4);
- Membership of the FMD Regional Advisory Group is updated for 2021-2024 (objective 5);
- The roadmap for FMD control is updated until 2027 for all Member countries in the Middle East region (objective 7)
- Enhance the Epi MENET and Lab MENET and revision of the biannual workplans for the regional Epidemiology and Laboratory networks (objective 3, 6 and 8);
- A final report will be made available to the audience by the GF-TADs FMD Working Group (objective 1, 4, 7 and 8).

#### **Participating countries (in alphabetical order):**

- Bahrain (GCC), Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait (GCC), Lebanon, Libya, Oman (GCC), Palestine, Qatar (GCC), Saudi Arabia (GCC), Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates (GCC), and Yemen.

#### **The expected participants will include:**

- Chief Veterinary Officers /OIE Delegates of the Middle East countries, three national points of contact (laboratory, epidemiology and PCP-FMD) engaged in FMD control programmes;
- Leaders of Epidemiology and Laboratory Network;
- Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Secretariat;
- Arab Organization for Agriculture Development (AOAD);
- GF-TADs FMD Working Group;
- PCP-FMD Support Officers;
- FAO Regional and sub-regional Offices for Middle East;
- OIE Regional and sub-regional Offices for Middle East;
- FAO/OIE Reference Laboratories for FMD (WRLFMD, ANSES, IZSLER, ARRIAH)
- OIE Reference Center in Quality Management System (ADAFSA)
- Development partners (IFAD, World Bank, IAEA, EU);
- Private Sector
- Academia

#### **Format and logistics:**

The meeting will be held under the GF-TADs umbrella, in virtual format with the operational support of the FAO regional Virtual Learning Center, and the technical and operational support from European Commission for the control of FMD (EuFMD).

***Preparatory phase:***

During this phase, the following activities should be completed:

1. Provide template and obtain recording of country presentation;
2. Complete the FMD vaccination questionnaire ;
3. Complete the PCP-FMD Self-Assessment Tool ([here](#)).

The documents can be retrieved on the meeting page on the VLC platform ([here](#)).

***Virtual meeting:***

The meeting will be held virtually, over four consecutive half-days, using the Zoom platform, with the operational support of the EuFMD. During the first three days of the meeting, two separate closed sessions will be held to conduct country meetings to review country PCP-FMD Stage (based on SAT results, FMD vaccination questionnaires and information included in country presentations regarding FMD surveillance and control).

**Language:** English with simultaneous Arabic interpretation

*Provisional agenda (virtual meeting), Middle East time (EET, UTC+2)*

| Time (EET)    | Session Title                                                                                                                                                 | Chairs/Speakers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Facilitator & Rapporteurs                                            |
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| 09.00-09.30   | Opening of the Zoom meeting for participants to join in (VLC, EuFMD, interpreters)                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                      |
| <b>DAY 1</b>  |                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                      |
| 09:30- 10:00  | <b>Session 1- Opening and Meeting Agenda</b>                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                      |
|               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Official opening</li> <li>- Objectives and adoption of the meeting agenda</li> </ul>                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FMD-WG (EuFMD)</li> <li>FAO Regional Office</li> <li>OIE Regional Representation</li> <li>Chair of the GF-TADs regional steering committee (CVO Saudi Arabia)</li> <li>GCC-Secretariat</li> <li>AOAD</li> <li>Neo Mapitse (OIE), FMD WG Co-chair</li> </ul> | <p><u>Facilitator:</u><br/>Fabrizio Rosso (EuFMD), FMD-WG member</p> |
| 10.00 – 10.20 | <b>Session 2 - Update the membership of the elected FMD Regional Advisory Group (RAG) for the Middle East</b><br><a href="#">(Meeting objective 5)</a>        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <u>Chair:</u> Current RAG Chair (CVO Bahrain)                        |
|               | - Short introduction on the RAG (Terms of Reference, role and responsibility)                                                                                 | Madhur Dhingra (FAO) FMD-WG member                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <u>Moderator:</u> N. Mapitse (OIE) FMD-WG Co-chair                   |
|               | - Call for nominations for the RAG                                                                                                                            | Neo Mapitse (OIE) FMD-WG Co-chair                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                      |
| 10:20-11:10   | <b>Session 3 - FMD virus situation at global and regional levels and implications</b><br><a href="#">(Meeting objective 2)</a>                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <u>Chair:</u> Current RAG Member                                     |
|               | - Overview of global and regional FMD situation and vaccines recommendations                                                                                  | Donald King, WRLFMD                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                      |
|               | - Implementation of the recommendations since the 4 <sup>th</sup> ME roadmap meeting (2017) and alignment with recommendations from AOAD meeting in June 2021 | Current RAG Chair (CVO Bahrain)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <u>Facilitator:</u> Muhammad Javed Arshed (FAO), FMD-WG member       |
|               | - Q&A moderated session                                                                                                                                       | All participants                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                      |

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| 11:10- 11:30                              | <p><b>Session 2 (continue) - Update the membership of the elected FMD Regional Advisory Group (RAG) for Middle East (Meeting objective 5)</b></p> <p>- Rules of RAG Election FMD-WG</p> <p>- RAG election – CVOs - (2022-2024) Country CVOs (only), FMD-WG members, FAO and OIE regional representatives</p> <p>- Internal discussions among RAG (3 CVOs) newly elected members to nominate the RAG Chair Newly elected RAG members, FMD-WG members, FAO and OIE regional representatives</p>               | <p><u>Facilitator:</u></p> <p>N. Mapitse (OIE), FMD WG Co-chair and Fabrizio Rosso (EuFMD), FMD-WG member</p> |
| <b>Virtual Coffee break (11:30-11:40)</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                               |
| 11:40-13:00                               | <p><b>Session 4 - Country reports on FMD situation and control (Meeting objective 4)</b></p> <hr/> <p>- Recorded or live presentation and Q&amp;A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bahrain</li> <li>• Iraq</li> <li>• Jordan</li> <li>• Kuwait</li> <li>• Lebanon</li> <li>• United Arab Emirates</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                    | <p><u>Chair:</u></p> <p>Previous RAG member</p> <p><u>Facilitator:</u></p> <p>Friederike Mayen (FAO RNE)</p>  |
| 13:00-13:10                               | <p><b>Session 5 - Epi and lab network workplan 2021-2023 (Meeting objective 6)</b></p> <p>- Introduction to Epi and Lab MENET group discussion tasks</p> <p>Melissa McLaws (FAO), Co-chair of the FMD-WG</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <p>Fabrizio Rosso (EuFMD), FMD-WG member</p>                                         |
| <b>END OF PLENARY SESSION DAY 1</b>       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                               |
| 14:00-15:30                               | <p><b>Session 5 (Cont.) - Epi and lab network workplan 2021-2023 (Meeting objective 6) Report on workplan 2019-2021 and definition of priorities and objectives for 2021-2023</b></p> <p>- Epi MENET group</p> <p><b>Lead:</b> Epi MENET newly elected leader</p> <p><b>Facilitators:</b> Shahin Baiomy, Giancarlo Ferrari</p> <p>- Lab MENET group</p> <p><b>Lead:</b> Lab MENET newly elected leader</p> <p><b>Facilitators:</b> Donald King, Kees Van Maanen, Labib Bakkali-Kassimi, Satina Grazioli</p> |                                                                                                               |



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| 15:30-17:00                               | <p><i>Session 4 (Continue)</i><br/><i>(Meeting objective 3)</i></p> <p><b>Closed sessions</b><br/><i>Meeting with countries to (i) review their FMD situation, control activities and PCP-FMD stage (based on the self-assessment tool, presentation outcomes and control plan); (ii) discuss way-forward</i></p>              | <p><i>OIE/FAO/EuFMD, 2 panels 30 min. per country</i></p>                                                       |                                                                                                          |
|                                           | <p><b>Panel 1 :</b> Bahrain (2*); Kuwait (3*); UAE (2*)</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <p><b>Panel 2:</b> Jordan (2*); Lebanon (2*); Iraq (2*)</p>                                                     |                                                                                                          |
| <b>DAY 2</b>                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                          |
| 09:00-10:00                               | <p><i>Session 4 (Continue)</i><br/><i>(Meeting objective 3)</i></p> <p><i>Additional timeslot for country meetings</i></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <p><i>OIE/FAO/EuFMD, 2 panels 30 min. per country</i></p>                                                       |                                                                                                          |
| 10:00- 10:10                              | <b>Recap of day 1 and presentation of the agenda for day 2</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                 | Friederike Mayen (FAO RNE)                                                                               |
| 10:10-10:50                               | <p><b>Session 6 - Support for the development and implementation of national FMD control strategies (Meeting objective 1)</b></p> <p>- PCP-FMD Toolkit and supporting mechanisms for PCP-FMD progression of countries</p> <p>- PSO system to support development and monitoring of FMD control strategies</p> <p>- Q&amp;A</p> | <p>Muhammad Javed Arshed (FAO) FMD-WG member</p> <p>Shahin Bayomy (PSO, EuFMD)</p> <p>All</p>                   | <p><u>Chair:</u> New RAG Chair</p> <p><u>Facilitator:</u> Moetapele Letshwenyo (OIE), FMD-WG member</p>  |
| 10:50-11:50                               | <p><b>Session 4 (Continue) - Country reports on FMD situation and control (Meeting objective 4)</b></p> <p>- Recorded or live presentation and Q&amp;A</p>                                                                                                                                                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oman</li> <li>• Egypt</li> <li>• Qatar</li> <li>• Palestine</li> </ul> | <p><u>Chair:</u> New RAG member</p> <p><u>Facilitator:</u> Bolortuya Purevsuren (OIE), FMD-WG member</p> |
| <b>Virtual Coffee break (11:50–12:10)</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                          |



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| 12:10-13:10                         | <b>Session 4 (Continue) - Country reports on FMD situation and control (Meeting objective 4)</b><br><br>- Recorded or live presentation and Q&A <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saudi Arabia</li> <li>• Syrian Arab Republic</li> <li>• Libya</li> <li>• Yemen</li> </ul>      |                                                                                                 | <u>Chair:</u><br><br>New RAG member<br><br><u>Facilitator:</u><br><br>Muhammad Javed Arshed (FAO), FMD-WG member |
| <b>END OF DAY 2 Plenary session</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                  |
| 14:30 -16:30                        | <i>Session 4 (Continue) (Meeting objective 3)</i><br><br><b>Closed sessions</b><br>Meeting with countries to (i) review their FMD situation, control activities and PCP-FMD stage (based on the self-assessment tool, presentation outcomes and control plan); (ii) discuss way-forward | OIE/FAO/EuFMD, 2 panels 30 min. per country<br><br>Rapporteurs for each panel TBD               |                                                                                                                  |
|                                     | <b>Panel 1 :</b> Oman (2*); Qatar (3*); Saudi Arabia (2*); Yemen (suspended)                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>Panel 2:</b> Egypt (2); Palestine (2); Syria (2*); Libya (to be assessed for the first time) |                                                                                                                  |
| <b>END OF DAY 2</b>                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                  |
| <b>DAY 3</b>                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                  |
| 09:00-10:00                         | <i>Session 4 (Continue) (Meeting objective 3)</i><br><br>Additional timeslot for country meetings                                                                                                                                                                                       | OIE/FAO/EuFMD, 2 panels 30 min. per country                                                     |                                                                                                                  |
| 10:00-10:45                         | <b>Session 6 (Continue) - Epi and lab network workplan 2021-2023 (Meeting objective 6)</b><br><br>- Presentation of the discussion in the breakout rooms (day 2)                                                                                                                        | - Epi and lab Network Leaders (newly elected)                                                   | <u>Chair:</u><br><br>New RAG Chair<br><br><u>Facilitator:</u><br>Ghazi Yehia (OIE)                               |
| 10:45-11:00                         | <b>Recap of day 2 and presentation of the agenda for day 3</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                 | FAO/OIE Regional Rep.                                                                                            |
| 11:00-11:50                         | <b>Session 7 - Vaccines and vaccination programs (Meeting objective 2)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                  |

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|                                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Vaccination and post-vaccination monitoring and evaluation of vaccination programmes</li> <li>- Results of the FMD vaccination survey</li> <li>- Q&amp;A moderated session</li> </ul> | <p>Kees Van Maanen (EuFMD)</p> <p>Muhammad Javed Arshed (FAO), FMD-WG member</p> <p>All participants</p> | <p><u>Chair:</u> New Epi MENET leader</p> <p><u>Facilitator:</u> Madhur Dhingra (FAO), FMD-WG member</p> |
| <b>Virtual Coffee break (11:50-12:00)</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                          |                                                                                                          |
| 12:00-13:00                               | - Round table discussion on reports from breakout groups, and provision of recommendations for the regional networks work plan 2021-2023                                                                                       | All participants                                                                                         | <p><u>Chair:</u> New RAG Chair</p> <p><u>Facilitator:</u> Fabrizio Rosso (EuFMD), FMD-WG member</p>      |
| <b>END OF DAY 3 Plenary Session</b>       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                          |                                                                                                          |
| 13:30-15:00                               | <i>Session 8- Closed meeting RAG - GF-TADS WG</i>                                                                                                                                                                              | <p><i>RAG</i></p> <p><i>Discuss the roadmap and recommendations</i></p>                                  |                                                                                                          |
| <b>END OF DAY 3</b>                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                          |                                                                                                          |
| <b>DAY 4</b>                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                          |                                                                                                          |
| 10:00-10:45                               | <b>Session 9 - Roadmap Update (Meeting objective 7)</b>                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                          | <u>Chair:</u>                                                                                            |
|                                           | The GF-TADs Global Strategy and its contribution to FMD control                                                                                                                                                                | GF-TADs Global Secretariat                                                                               | AOAD                                                                                                     |
|                                           | - Presentation of roadmap based on the Regional Advisory Group (RAG) assessment                                                                                                                                                | Muhammad Javed Arshed (FAO), FMD-WG member                                                               | <u>Facilitator:</u> N. Mapitse (OIE) FMD WG Co-chair                                                     |
| 10:45-12:00                               | <b>Session 10 - Roadmap Conclusion (Meeting objective 8)</b>                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                          |                                                                                                          |

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|                           | <p>- Recommendations and discussions</p> | <p>New RAG Chair</p>                                                                         | <p><u>Chair:</u> New RAG Chair</p>                                    |
|                           | <p>- Conclusions and closing remarks</p> | <p>FAO &amp; OIE Reps</p> <p>GF-TADs FMD Working Group</p> <p>GF-TADs Global Secretariat</p> | <p><u>Facilitator:</u></p> <p>Madhur Dhingra (FAO), FMD-WG member</p> |
| <b>END OF THE MEETING</b> |                                          |                                                                                              |                                                                       |

## Closed Session: Panels composition and meeting schedule

(Meeting with each country to discuss the FMD situation, PCP-FMD and way forward)

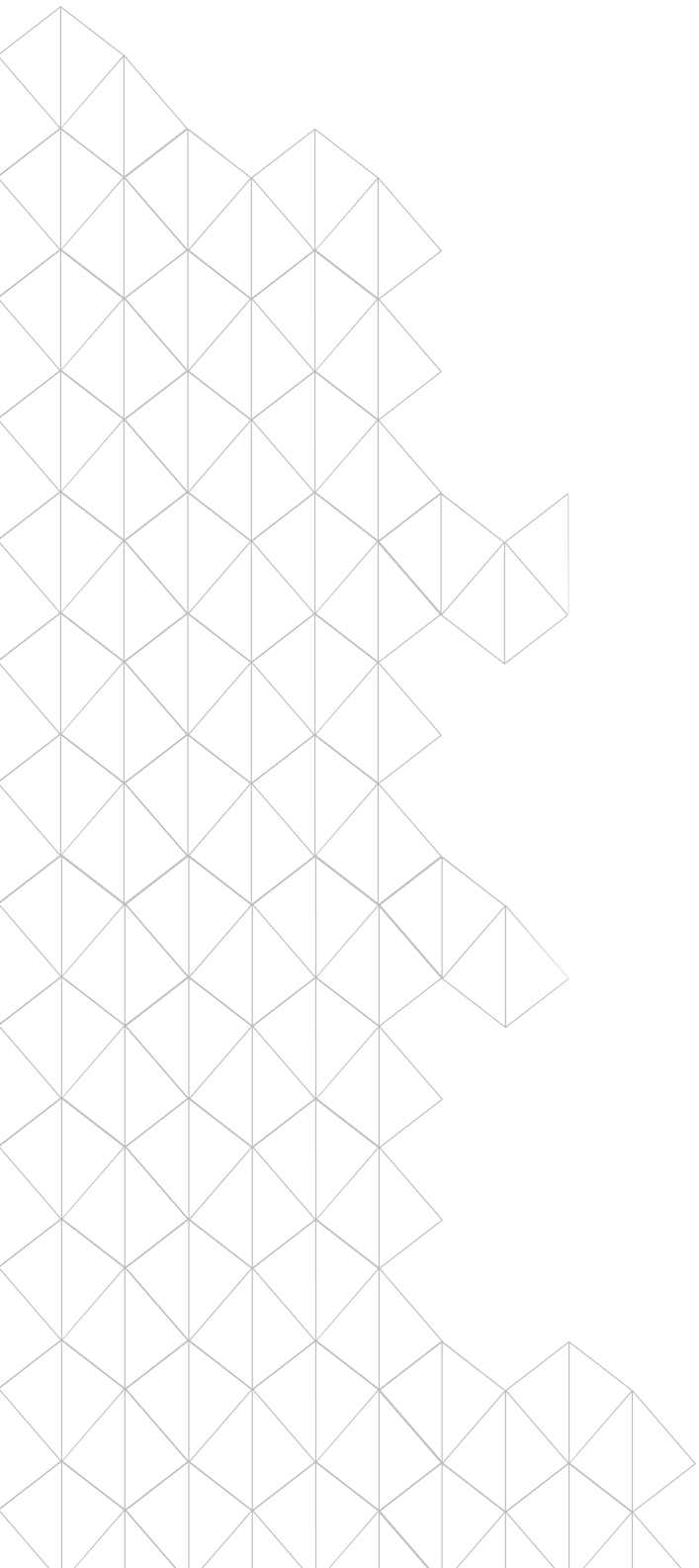
| Panel 1                     | Panel 2                    |
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| Neo Mapitse (OIE)           | Melissa McLaws (FAO)       |
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| Markos Tibbo (FAO)          | Ghazi Yehia (OIE)          |
| Mohamed Alhosani (OIE)      | Fabrizio Rosso (EuFMD)     |
| Kees Van Maanen (EuFMD)     | Friederike Mayen (FAO)     |
| Etienne Chevanne (EuFMD)    | Shahin Bayomy (EuFMD)      |

### Day 1 (time in EET,UTC+2)

| Panel 1 (EET)                         | Panel 2 (EET)            |
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| ▪ <b>Barhain (15:30)</b>              | ▪ <b>Jordan (15:30)</b>  |
| ▪ <b>Kuwait (16:00)</b>               | ▪ <b>Lebanon (16:00)</b> |
| ▪ <b>United Arab Emirates (16:30)</b> | ▪ <b>Iraq (16:30)</b>    |
| <i>Interpretation available</i>       |                          |
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### Day 2 (time in EET,UTC+2)

| Panel 1 (EET)                   | Panel 2 (EET)                         |
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| ▪ <b>Oman (14:30)</b>           | ▪ <b>Egypt (14:30)</b>                |
| ▪ <b>Qatar (15:00)</b>          | ▪ <b>Palestine (15:00)</b>            |
| ▪ <b>Saudi Arabia (15:30)</b>   | ▪ <b>Syrian Arab Republic (15:30)</b> |
| ▪ <b>Yemen (16:00)</b>          | ▪ <b>Libya (16:00)</b>                |
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