



Inter-Regional (Africa-Middle East) Webinar

Rift Valley Fever: Scientific Advances in Surveillance, Risk Mitigation and Control

Virtual

Dates: 6 -7 July 2021

Provisional Agenda

Day 1: Tuesday 6 July

TIME: UAE time zone	Registration and Zoom configuration testing, housekeeping rules	
10:30 (UAE time)		
11:00	Session 0: Opening	<p>Mohamed Ali Al-Hosani Sub-Regional Representative, Abu Dhabi, OIE</p> <p>Samuel Wakhusama Sub-Regional Representative, East Africa, OIE</p> <p>Dino Francescutti Subregional <i>Coordinator for the GCC States and Yemen, FAO</i></p>
11.15	<p>Session1: Overview of the epidemiological situation of RVF</p> <p>in the Middle East Region</p> <p>in Africa region</p>	<p>Ibrahim Qasim Chair of the FAO/OIE RSC ME</p> <p>TBC</p>
11:40	Session 2: Advances in RVF surveillance during epidemic and inter-epidemic periods – human, animal, and vector interfaces.	<p>Peter Thompson Professor, Veterinary Epidemiology, Department of Production Animal Studies, University of Pretoria</p>
12:55	<p>Session 3: Early warning systems</p> <p>RVF Decision Support Tool (principles and demo)</p>	<p>Claudia Pittiglio Disease ecology and risk mitigation expert-FAO and</p> <p>Karl Morteo Information Technology Officer- FAO</p>
12.15	Session 4: Advances in diagnostic tests for RVF	<p>Catherine Cetre Sossah Virologiste, Centre de Coopération Internationale en Recherche Agronomique pour le Développement (CIRAD)</p>
12:30	<p>Session 5: Rift Valley Fever and One Health</p> <p>Presentation1: One Health coordination mechanism and RVF control</p>	<p>Chadia Wannous Regional One Health Officer for Africa- OIE</p>

	Presentation2: Advances in public health prevention and control of RVF and the use of simulation exercises for zoonotic diseases, including RVF.	WHO-TBC
12:50	Discussion	
13:00	End of sessions	

Day 2: Wednesday 7 July

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10:30 (UAE time)		
11:00	Session 6: livestock traceability and risk-based control measures Potential contributions of ICT-based Livestock Identification and Traceability systems (LITS) to the development of risk-based surveillance and control measures for RVF and other infectious disease.	Bernard Bett Director, Research, Education and Outreach <i>Centre in Africa</i> (OHRECA)- International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI)
11:15	Session 7: Advances in RVF vaccination. Ways to optimize future emergency, prophylactic and routine vaccination campaigns. Presentation1: “Rift Valley fever vaccine of optimal efficacy and safety: From lab to field” Presentation2: “Potential of Subunit-Based Technologies for RVFV Vaccines-The ZAPI project experience”	Jeroen Kortekaas Virologist/Project Leader Central Veterinary Institute Wageningen University, Netherlands Jean-Christophe Audonnet ZAPI’s coordinator and Senior Director Boehringer – Ingelheim Animal Health, France
11:45	Session 8: Presentation1: “Current provisions in the Terrestrial Code for self-declaration of freedom from Rift Valley Feve	Aurelio Cabezas Disease Status Officer- OIE
11.55-12:20	Session 9: Country presentations Presentation1: Kenya Presentation2: Oman	Mathew Muturi Zoonotic Disease Unit, Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Fisheries, Nairobi, Kenya Samah Alsharif Veterinary quarantine department Ministry of agriculture & fisheries wealth and water resources Delegate of Sultanate of Oman
12:20	Session10: Direct vector transmission during an outbreak. Is RVF still an occupational hazard?	Raphaëlle Métras INSERM, Sorbonne Université, Institut Pierre Louis d’Épidémiologie et de Santé Publique, Franc
12:30	Discussion	

12:50	Session 11: Closing	Karim Tounkara Representative, Africa, OIE / Ghazi Yehia Representative, Middle East, OIE Dino Francescutti Subregional Coordinator for the GCC States and Yemen- FAO
13:00	End of sessions	