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# **OVERVIEW OF THE WORKSHOP**

**REGIONAL WORKSHOP ON “OIE STANDARDS – FACILITATING  
SAFE INTERNATIONAL TRADE”**

April 14–15, 2017.

Dubai, UAE

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# BACKGROUND

The objective of this workshop is to strengthen the capabilities of OIE Member countries to develop and implement OIE international animal health and welfare standards.

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# OBJECTIVES

This workshop focuses on:

- 1) developing theoretical knowledge and understanding of the OIE standards and how they relate to the WTO framework; and,
- 2) Applying this knowledge and understanding when setting policies on import and export of animals and animal products, in other words, **the implementation of OIE standards.**

# PARTICIPANTS



The primary audience of the workshop are officials of the Veterinary Services (VS) who work in the area of **import/export (trade policy)** and/or those who **guide the national application of the OIE standards**. In this regard, the workshop is also applicable to OIE Delegates.

# OUTCOMES

Understand and to be able to apply **OIE science based standards.**

Understand the need to **adopt and promote transparent and predictable market access requirements** which will **facilitate consistent long-term trade.**

# PROGRAMME

Regional Workshop on “OIE Standards - Facilitating Safe International Trade” 14th – 15th March 2017

Dubai, United Arab Emirates

**Day 1 – 14 March 2017**

08:00-09:00	Registration of Participants	
09:00-09:30	Opening Ceremony	UAE officials OIE RRME
09:30-10:30	Introduction of Participants Overview of the Workshop Programme	Leopoldo Stuardo OIE Standards Department
<b>10:30 – 11:00 Tea/Coffee Break</b>		
11:00-11:30	Quiz on the OIE and discussion of the answers	Leopoldo Stuardo
11:30-12:00	OIE Code and Manual – trade facilitating standards	Alex Thiermann Past President, Terrestrial Animal Health Code Commission
12:00-13:00	WTO Trade Framework	Alex Thiermann
<b>13:00 – 14:00 Lunch</b>		
14:00-14:40	OIE Listed Diseases of Regional Importance for Terrestrial Animals	Ali El Romeh OIE Regional Representation Middle East
14:40-15:30	PVS Working Group Activity – Trade Capability Assessment	Alejandro Thiermann
<b>15:30-16:00 Tea/Coffee Break</b>		
16:00-16:30	Overview of WAHIS	Patricia Pozzetti Standards Department
16:30-17:00	Principles of Risk Assessment under the OIE Framework	Ghazi Yehia OIE Regional Representative Middle East
17:00-17:30	Animal health disease status –official status and self-declaration	Patricia Pozzetti
End day at 17:30		
<b>19:00 Dinner</b>		

# PROGRAMME

<b>Day 2 – 15 March 2017</b>		
09:00-10:00	Discussion of the previous Day's Presentations (3 things learned and what are the issues with implementing standards)	All speakers and participants
10:00-10:30	Developing import and export requirements	Patricia Pozzetti
<b>10:30 – 11:00 Tea/Coffee Break</b>		
11:00-11:15	Certification Process Overview	Alex Thiermann
11:15-12:00	Working Group Activity – Drafting import and export requirements	All speakers and participants
12:00 – 12:30	Working Groups- report back and general discussion	All speakers and participants
<b>12:30 – 14:00 Lunch</b>		
14:00-14:30	OIE Animal Welfare Standards and animal transportation Chapters	Leopoldo Stuardo
14:30-15:00	Trade in Live Animals and Relevance of OIE Standards	Alex Thiermann
15:00-15:30	Elements to consider in a health certificate for live animals and general discussion	All speakers and participants
<b>15:30-16:00 Tea/Coffee Break</b>		
16:00-16:30	Implementation of the Animal Welfare Regional Strategy	Ghazi Yehia
16:30-17:45	OIE Global Animal Welfare Strategy	Leopoldo Stuardo
17:45-18:30	Discussion on the Day's Presentations (3 things learned) and general discussion	All speakers and participants
<b>End day and Closing at 18:30</b>		

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