

**Day 1: Monday, 22 April****Theme: Rabies Epidemiology - exploring the problem size in the Arabian Gulf region**

08:30 – 09:00	Registration.	
09:00 – 09:30	<b>Opening session</b> - Welcoming speech by Qatar Veterinary Authorities and WOAHSRRAG.	
09:30 – 09:45	- Introductions of participants and objectives & Group Photo.	
09:45-10:00	context of the workshop overview.	<b>Dr Mohamed Alhosani</b> WOAH Subregional Representative for the Arabian Gulf.
10:00 – 10:30	Global Control Efforts to minimize burden of rabies  Towards Zero by 30 - Challenges and opportunities in Middle East and Arabian Peninsula.	<b>Dr Rachel Tidman.</b> Global rabies coordinator Science Department-WOAH  <b>Dr Monal Daptardar.</b> Scientific Coordinator – Rabies, Science Department -WOAH
10:30 – 11:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
11:00 – 11:30	The new TAHC Chap 7.7 on dog population management.	<b>Dr Paolo Dalla Villa</b> Technical Officer - Disaster Management and Animal Welfare/ WOAH Sub-Regional Representation in Brussels
11:30 – 12:00	Role of wildlife in the reservoir host dynamics and epidemiology of rabies at the domestic-wildlife interface	<b>Dr Dharmaveer Shetty.</b> Coordinator - Wildlife Networks Preparedness and Resilience Department- WOAH
12:00 – 13:00	<b>Country reports.</b>	
		<b>(Qatar, Bahrain, Kuwait,)</b>
13:00 – 14:00	<b>Prayers and Lunch Break</b>	
14:00 – 14:30	Rabies Surveillance & Diagnosis and management of their associated challenges.	<b>Dr Florence Cliquet</b> Senior expert for Rabies –WOAH expert for rabies - Head of the WHO Collaborating Centre of Nancy. French agency for food, environmental and occupational health safety (Anses) Nancy Laboratory for Rabies and Wildlife.
14:30 – 15:00	The importance of effective dog vaccination campaigns”.	<b>Dr Thomas Müller</b> Laboratory manager, institute of Molecular Virology and Cell Biology. Friedrich Loeffler Institute Federal Research Institute for Animal Health. <b>Germany</b>
15:00 – 15:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
15:30 – 16:30	<b>Group activity</b> (Scenarios Exercise) - Focus will be on laboratory biosafety and biosecurity sample handling practices to prevent occupational incidence.	<b>Dr Florence Cliquet</b>
16:30 – 17:00	One health approach as an opportunity to enhance dog-mediated rabies elimination in the Arabian Peninsula.	<b>Dr AL Mubashar Farag</b> Acting Head of Communicable Diseases Control Programs. <b>Dr Md Mazharul Islam</b> Pathology Laboratory Department of Animal Resources at the Ministry of Municipality-Qatar,
17:00 – 17:30	<b>Panel discussions: drawing conclusions and recommendations</b>	

**Day 2: Tuesday, 23 April**

**Theme: Maximizing the efficiency of Dog Population Management (DPM) and Rabies vaccination campaigns towards rabies-free future in the Arabian Gulf subregion.**

09:00 – 09:30	The path towards a rabies-free future: National Action Plan and Dog Population Management (DPM) programs impact on rabies control and animal welfare.	<b>Dr Elly Hiby</b> Director of the International Companion Animal Management Coalition (ICAM) (Virtual recorded)
09:30 – 10:00	Introduction to DPM and free-roaming dog control strategies and measures in multicultural communities	<b>Mr John Peaveler</b> - International Companion Animal and Emergency Response Specialist, Veterinarians Without Borders North America
10:00 – 10:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
10:30 – 12:00	<b>Country reports</b>	<b>(KSA, Oman, Yemen, UAE)</b>
12:00 – 12:30	Element of the DPM programs: Free-roaming dog population estimation tools (The Talea APP).	<b>Dr T. Mikus</b> University of Zagreb- Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, (Virtual recorded)
12:30 – 13:30	<b>Prayers and Lunch Break</b>	
13:30 -14:00	Introduction to the new WOAHA Self-Assessment and Monitoring <b>(SAM4DPM)</b> System	<b>Dr Paolo Dalla Villa</b> Technical Officer - Disaster Management and Animal Welfare WOAH Sub-Regional Representation in Brussels
14:00 – 15:00	<b>Group activity</b> (Scenarios Exercise) - Focus will be on DPM programs development and implementation in different context and cultures.	<b>Dr Paolo Dalla Villa</b> <b>Mr John Peaveler</b>
15:00 – 15:15	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
15:15 – 15:45	Maximizing the PPP potential in rabies control	<b>Dr Rahul Srivastava</b> WOAH Capacity-Building Department Virtual recorded)
16:00 – 17:00	<b>General recommendation and closing ceremony</b>	

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