Communication between Competent Authorities

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Multi-regional Whole Journey Scenario workshop on long-distance transport by land and sea between Europe, the Middle East, and North Africa
7 - 9 November 2023, Tunis, Tunisia
Network of Contact Point on long-distance transportation in Europe

• Transport of animals – priority topic since (2014) - very sensitive topic in Europe

• Series of capacity building activities 2017-2018 - Regional network of expert

• Pilot Whole Journey Scenario Workshop in Poland (2018) proposed follow-up action
  (base on reference to the existing network of contact points already set up in the EU)

• EU Network of Contac Points - Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005
  facilitate cooperation and communication between the CA of the Member States

• National Focal Points on Anima Welfare seminar in The Hague, June 2019
  (unanimous support)

• Draft Terms of Reference of the National Contact Point on Long-Distance Transportation
  (developed by OIE Platform Secretariat and Steering Group in coordination with RCG (July 2019 – April 2020))
Network of Contact Point on Long-Distance Transportation

Terms of Reference of the National Contact Point on Long-Distance Transportation were adopted by the Regional Commission for Europe during 29th Regional Conference, 9-10 November 2020

Proposed tasks:

• to establish operational communication links with the other Contact Points in Europe

• to provide, upon request of another Contact point and within the shortest possible delay, accurate information such as approved border inspection posts (opening hours, capacity), approved control posts / resting points (location, capacity), approved means of transport or vessels, national regulation, etc.

• to inform the Contact points of the country of origin, and of the possible countries of transit along the route, of any non-compliance or problem observed upon control of a specific consignment.

• to address, if possible, any assistance request from another Contact Point

• to keep the Delegate and Focal Point informed of his/her Contact Point activity

The Platform may organize events, such as meetings of the Network, aimed at allowing the Contact Points to better know each other, discuss common issues, share best practices related to long-distance transportation, etc.
National Contact Points on long distance transportation for Europe

1st meeting – November 2021
2nd meeting – December 2022
3rd meeting – 20-22 June 2023

![Bar chart showing the number of nominated, N/A, and not nominated individuals across years 2021, 2022, and 2023.](chart)

- 2021: 21 nominated, 26 N/A, not nominated
- 2022: 26 nominated, 26 N/A, not nominated
- 2023: 49 nominated, 49 N/A, not nominated

Legend:
- Dark orange: nominated
- Blue: N/A
- Light orange: not nominated
3rd meeting
WOAH regional network
of National Contact Points
on long-distance transportation
in Europe

20 – 22 June 2023
Dublin, Ireland

56 Participants
42 WOAH Members
Did you contact any other WOAH National Contact Point on transportation in Europe?

1. not at all: 29% (11 people)
2. only once: 13% (5 people)
3. 2-3 times: 21% (8 people)
4. more than 3 times: 37% (14 people)

How helpful were those exchanges with other contact points?

1. Very helpful: 48% (19 people)
2. Somehow helpful: 28% (11 people)
3. Not helpful at all: 0% (0 people)
4. I did not contact other points: 25% (10 people)
The main strength of this meetings is to share information and best practices and network. Its very important to learn how other countries implement the transport requirements, to learn with the experiences of the others and to create a network of people who can easily communicate regarding animal transport.
Questions, Comments, Ideas....?