

Technical Meeting on Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza
27 – 29 June 2007, Rome
FAO Red Room (Building A 1st Floor)

Day 1

8.00 - Registration at FAO Reception (Building A)

Session 1 – Welcome and introduction (open to Media)

9.00 - 10.15

1.1 Welcome and Introductions

[Chair – Samuel Jutzi, Director AGA, FAO]

- a. Welcome addresses [**David Harcharik**, FAO; **David Heymann**, WHO; **Alex Thiermann**, OIE; **Vanessa Tobin**, UNICEF]
- b. Welcome and Status of UN Preparedness [**David Nabarro**, UNSIC/PIC]
- c. Presentation of meeting programme [**Jim Hancock**, FAO]

10.15 – 10.30

- Coffee break

Session 2 – Towards a risk assessment (open to Media)

10.30 – 12.30

2.1 An assessment of H5N1 – situation, trends and new epidemiological insights and virus evolution

[Chair: Juan Lubroth, EMPRES, FAO and Rapporteur: Liz Mumford, WHO]

- a. Global situation: HPAI outbreaks in poultry – a synthesis of country reports to OIE [**Antonio Petrini**, OIE]
- b. Trends and dynamics of HPAI, and the latest understanding of HPAI epidemiology and future animal health risks [**Joseph Domenech**, FAO]
- c. Avian Influenza A(H5N1) and Risks to Human Health [**Keiji Fukuda**, WHO]
- d. Discussion: What do we know in terms of risks, from an interdisciplinary perspective, at different geographical- and time scales? What do we need to know more?

12.30 – 13.00

- Press Conference

13.00 – 14.00

- Lunch

Session 3 – Assessment of efforts over the last three years to address HPAI in poultry, reducing risk to humans and pandemic preparedness

14.00 – 15.30

3.1 Achievements and lessons learnt - Experiences by case study countries

- a. Main focus animal health

[Chair: Alain Vandersmissen, EC, and Rapporteur: Claudine Gonzalves, UNDP]

Presentations: Analysis of the last three years across a spectrum of risk and institutional settings: Egypt; Nigeria; Indonesia; China; Vietnam; Turkey [**CVO of each country, FAO**]

15.30 – 15.45

- Coffee break

15.45 – 18.00

- b. Main focus human health

[Chair: Keiji Fukuda, WHO, and Rapporteur: Koji Nabae, UNSIC/PIC]:

WHO Region Experiences [**Paul Gully, WHO**]

- c. Discussion - key issues and priorities from country and regional case studies

[Chair: Osman Mansoor, UNICEF, and Rapporteurs from session 3.1: Claudine Gonzalves, UNDP and Koji Nabae, UNSIC/PIC (a&b)]

18.00 – 18.30

- Working Groups Facilitators meeting

18.30 – 20.00

- Cocktail (FAO Aventino Terrace 8th Floor)

Day 2

8.30 – 10.30

3.2 Achievements, issues and options on strategies for HPAI control and prevention

[Chair: Alex Thiermann, OIE, and Rapporteur: Michael Mosselmans, UNSIC/PIC]

- a. What has been achieved on technical understanding and support including the integration of tools for control, including vaccination, compensation and surveillance and disease intelligence – two presentations:
 - (i) Implementing appropriate FAO/OIE prevention measures in different country contexts [**Christianne Brusckke, OIE**]

- (ii) Outbreak control responses – overview of country and regional field programme operations [**Les Sims**, Independent Expert]
- b. Evidence on short-term socio-economic impacts and issues and options arising from applying outbreak control measures – including culling and compensation [**Anni McLeod**, FAO]
- c. Trends, issues and options in applying long term biosecurity measures on production systems and sector structure [**Olaf Thieme**, FAO]
- d. A critical reflection on communication in the disease control process and behaviour change [**Basil Rodrigues**, UNICEF, and short presentation of communications roundtable by **Satya Sarkar**, FAO]
- e. Clarifications and short discussion – points to highlight for afternoon working groups

10.30 - 10.45

- Coffee break

10.45 - 11.30

3.3 Issues and options for implementation of strategies for pandemic preparedness

[Chair: Paul Gully, WHO, and Rapporteur: Fabrizio Gentiloni-OCHA]

- a. Assessment of preparedness of human health systems to respond to pandemic influenza [**Paul Gully**, WHO]
- b. Assessment of UN System Preparedness to sustain essential systems livelihoods, security, governance in case of pandemic [**William Paton and Peter Scott – Bowden**, UNSIC/PIC, WFP]
- c. Clarifications and short discussion – points to highlight for afternoon working groups

11.40 -13.15

3.4 Assessment of institutional strengthening and support at national and regional level

[Chair: Mobido Tiemoko Traoré, IBAR, and Rapporteur: Paul Gully, WHO]

- a. A critical reflection on the use of PVS and veterinary governance for the future [**Alex Thiermann**, OIE]
- b. Strengthening the relationship between public and private sector roles (both commercial and community animal health) in addressing animal health [**Rob De Roij**, FAO]
- c. Regional and global technical support (regional coordination units, laboratory, wildlife and other networks, etc) including interagency technical collaboration and incident command systems for emergency responses [**Gardner Murray**, OIE and **Joseph Domenech**, FAO]
- d. Ensuring inter-governmental support to national and other stakeholder for integrated support – Contingency planning etc. [**David Nabarro**, UNSIC/PIC]
- e. Clarifications and short discussion – points to highlight for afternoon working groups

13.15 – 14.30

- Lunch

Session 4 – Strengthening Global Strategies - Identifying priorities and ways forward

14.30 - till late

[Chair: David Nabarro, UNSIC/PIC and Rapporteur: Jan Slingenbergh, FAO]

4.1 Working Group's themes and discussions:

1. Detection and emergency responses in an epizootic situation (mainly animal health)
[Facilitator: Katinka de Balogh, FAO, and Rapporteur: Christianne Bruschke, OIE]
2. Containment and elimination in enzootic situations (mainly animal health)
[Facilitator: Alex Thiermann, OIE, and Rapporteur: Tony Forman, Independent Expert c/o FAO]
3. Restructuring and its consequences (mainly animal health)
[Facilitator: Jim Hancock, FAO, and Rapporteur: Ketan Chitnis, UNICEF]
4. Pandemic Preparedness (mainly human health)
[Facilitator: Paul Gully, WHO, and Rapporteur: Michael Mosselmanns, UNSIC/PIC]
5. Collaboration animal and human health (both human and animal health)
[Facilitator: Elizabeth Mumford, WHO, and Rapporteur: (FAO/OIE or Koji Nabae, UNSIC/PIC tbc)]
6. Interagency collaboration mechanisms (broader partnerships)
[Facilitator: David Nabarro, UNSIC/PIC, and Rapporteur: John Jabbour, WHO/EMRO]

Day 3

8.30 - 12.00

4.2 Presentations by Working Groups

[Chair: David Nabarro, UNSIC/PIC, and Rapporteur: Jan Slingenbergh, FAO]

4.3 Conclusions and recommendations of technical meeting

[Co-Chaired: Joseph Domenech, FAO, Bernard Vallat, OIE, Paul Gully, WHO, and Rapporteur: Christianne Bruschke, OIE]

4.4 Next steps - Outline of the Technical Report (the outcome of the meeting)

[Co-Chaired as for 4.3]

4.5 Closing remarks of technical meeting [David Nabarro, UNSIC/PIC in the name of all]

12.00 End of Technical Meeting

12.00 – 13.00

- Lunch

Session 5 – Review of international agency programming and implementation mechanisms

Please note limited participation: international agencies and donors

13.00 - 18.00

5.1 Presentation on funding and rising of key concerns

[Chair: David Nabarro, UNSIC/PIC, and Rapporteur: Pauline Zwaans, WB]

- a. Presentation by World Bank on funding assessment to be updated by September 2007 [**Olga Jonas, WB**].
- b. Highlighting of issues by different agencies through facilitated open discussion

5.2 Discussion of mechanisms for implementation of international support mechanisms

[Chair: Olga Jonas, WB, and Rapporteur: Marianne Muller, UNSIC/PIC]

- Modalities for prioritization in programming and planning, at country, regional and global level
- Institutional mechanisms for support – coordination, funding modalities, indicators and monitoring
- Policy partnerships and arrangements to support programme delivery

5.3 Final presentations

5.4 Conclusion and next steps

[Co-Chaired: Olga Jonas, WB, and David Nabarro, UNSIC/PIC, and Rapporteur: Marianne Muller, UNSIC/PIC]

5.5 Closing remarks to session on programme issues

18.00 End of meeting