



87th Executive Committee meeting of the EuFMD

EuFMD Workplan

Component Plan

1.4-Balkans

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● **Component Objective:**

To improve the ability of Member States and Europe as a whole to respond to a FMD incursion, through developing a cadre of European experts in FMD crisis management and improving the use of decision making tools by managers in contingency planning and outbreak response.

● **Participating Countries :**

Members: Bulgaria, Serbia, Republic of Macedonia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Albania and Montenegro;

Non-members: Kosovo and Moldova.

● **Organizations involved:**


Danish FVST and Danish Emergency Management Agency (DEMA).



Component Plan 1.4-Balkans: Progress (1)

As planned, two out of eight workshops have now been held in preparation for the simulation exercises (2014 and 2015).

 **1) Workshop on “*Outbreak management, field investigation and contingency planning*”** -10th-12th of December 2013, Skopje – Republic of Macedonia.




 **Focused on:** field and epidemiological investigation, sampling, ageing of lesions, defining a timeline and identifying risk factors, standard biosecurity measures, procedures in case of outbreak;

 15 participants from six countries



Component Plan 1.4-Balkans: Progress (2)

 **2) Workshop on “Crisis management and crisis communication”** in Sofia, Bulgaria
19th-21st of February 2014

-  Organized in the form of a **desktop simulation exercise testing NDCC and LDCC and transboundary co-ordination**
-  **20 participants** from seven countries
-  excellent cooperation and collaboration between participants

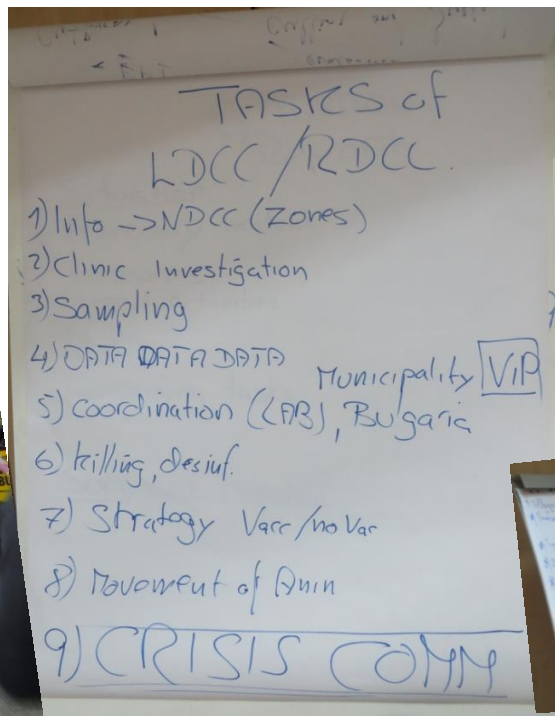
Main goal:

to contribute for the improvement of the FMD emergency preparedness in the Western Balkans, refining the contingency plans for FMD in this area.

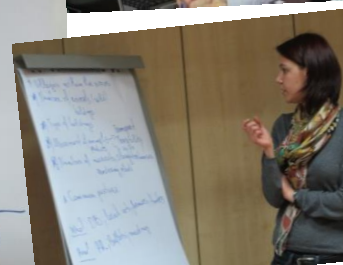




Balkan Workshops



- TASKS of LDCC / RDCC**
- 1) Info → NDCC (Zones)
 - 2) Clinic Investigation
 - 3) Sampling
 - 4) DATA DATA DATA Municipality VIP
 - 5) coordination (LAP), Bulgaria
 - 6) killing, desinf.
 - 7) Strategy Vacc/no Vacc
 - 8) Movement of Anim
 - 9) CRISIS COMM



The exercise world

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Exercise participants

- Bulgaria
- Serbia
- Macedonia





- Component Plan **1.4-Balkans: Progress (3)**

“**Balkans workshops**” on EuFMD e-Learning website

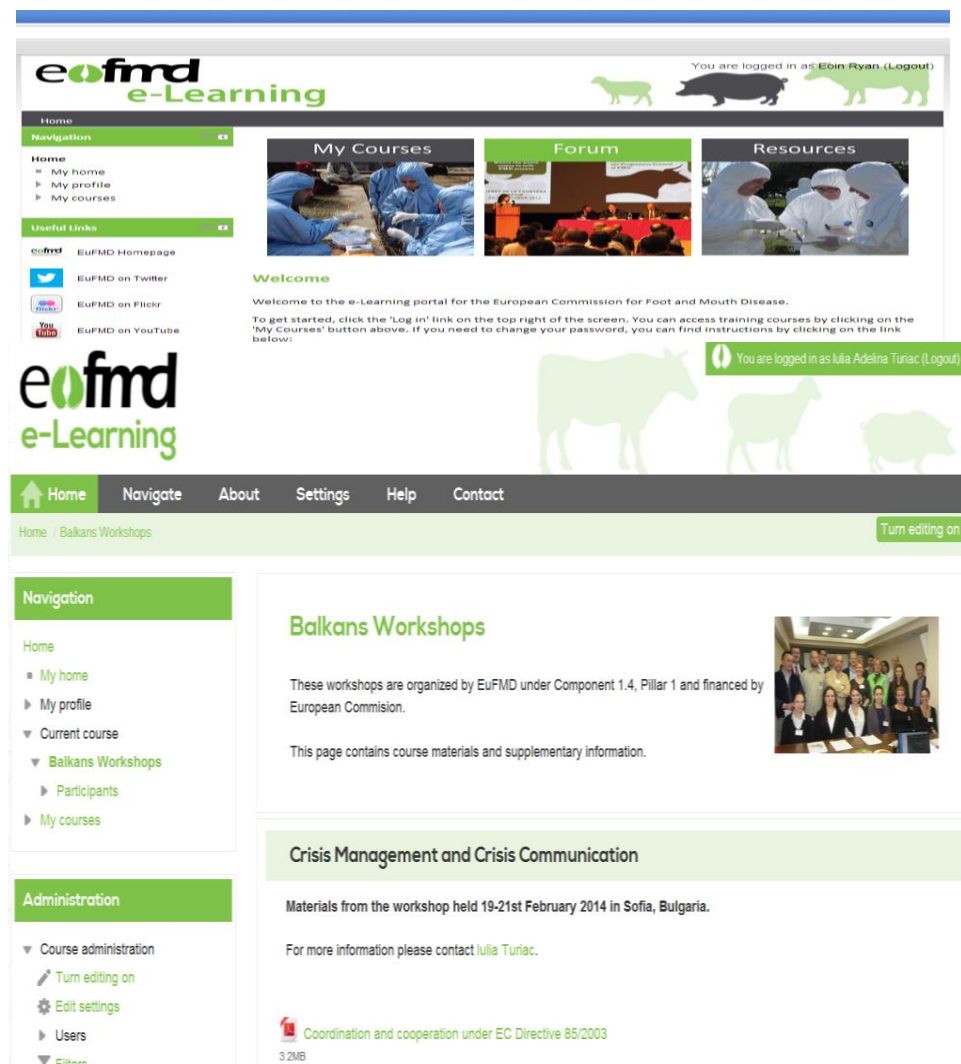
Created:

- to support the training materials and photos

Aims:

- to give access to the training materials and presentations and other additional information to all the participants that attended at least at one of the workshops
- to establish and develop a network between the participants (forum)

Appreciated by the users





Component Plan 1.4-Balkans: Progress (4)

- ➊ Established a connection with the National Agency for Food Safety (Moldova's Veterinary Authority) - Mission on 25th-26th March 2014
- ➋ Scope :
 - to understand their emergency management preparedness for FMD including the capacity of the laboratory for FMD diagnosis
 - a possible accession to EuFMD.
- ➌ Findings:
 - no minimum capacity for FMD diagnosis
 - no capacity for differential diagnosis
 - no calculation of vaccine requirements
 - gaps in supply of the vaccine and disposal of carcasses (no rendering plants)
 - limited supplies of equipment for depopulation
 - no Operational Manual for FMD









Component Plan **1.4-Balkans**: Issues for Executive Committee attention arising during implementation

-  Countries that have not yet established a chain of command in their Contingency Plans nor succeeded completely to implicate/raise awareness of partners/stakeholders involved in controlling the disease.
-  The first simulation exercise planned for June 2014 should be postponed until October 2014.





Component Plan **1.4-Balkans**: Priorities for the next 6 months (1)

-  Preparing and organizing the third workshop on “FMD contingency planning to National Reference Laboratories” on 8-10 of April 2014 in Krajlevo, Serbia;
-  Integration of national FMD reference centers (laboratories) in the national CPs and improved regional diagnostic capacity for FMD challenge;
-  Assessment of the needs for contingency planning and laboratory capacity in the Republic of Moldova. Followed by the development of a proposal for their greater involvement in component 1.4 and with the EuFMD training programme;
-  Establishing and deciding in a common meeting (webinar) with the counterparts which chapters of the contingency plan will be tested during the cross-border simulation exercise (Serbia and Bulgaria);



Component Plan **1.4-Balkans**: Priorities for the next 6 months (2)



Planning and designing a scenario for the first simulation exercise.



Preparing and organizing the forth workshop on” Surveillance” which it will be held in May, in Bulgaria.



Providing assistance and guidance to the countries involved in the project to continue developing the Contingency Plans and Operational Manuals for FMD



Training, preparing and guiding the persons from the Veterinary Services directly involved in the first cross-border simulation exercise.



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Thank you for your attention!