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Regional workshop on lumpy skin disease prevention, control, and awareness

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Cattle Population

Type of farming	Dairy	Beef	Total
Cattle population	228 812	/	228 812
Small holdings	/	/	/
Farms	26226	/	26226

- **Cattle density map** if available
- **Seasonal cattle migration:** No
- **Nomadic farming practices:** No
- **Domestic buffalo:** Yes-55 animals

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Year	Type of animal	No. of holdings from 0-5 animals	No. of holdings from 6-10 animals	No. of holdings from 11-20 animals	No. of holdings from 21-50 animals	No. of holdings from 51-100 animals	No. of holdings from 101-200 animals	No. of holdings from 201-500 animals	Holdings with more than 500 animals	Holdings Total	Animals total
2013	Bovine	19665	5287	2718	1470	334	52	8	5	29539	213121
2014	Bovine	19263	5080	2618	1550	348	62	9	5	28935	213578
2015	Bovine	19043	5169	2737	1677	413	84	10	4	29137	226583

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LSD situation

Affected holdings	Positive animals	Dead animals	Culled and safely disposed animals
1591	3357	360	3454

Culling and safe disposal of the animals in affected holdings is until 04.11.2016

Culling and safe disposal of the animals with clinical signs from 04.11.2016

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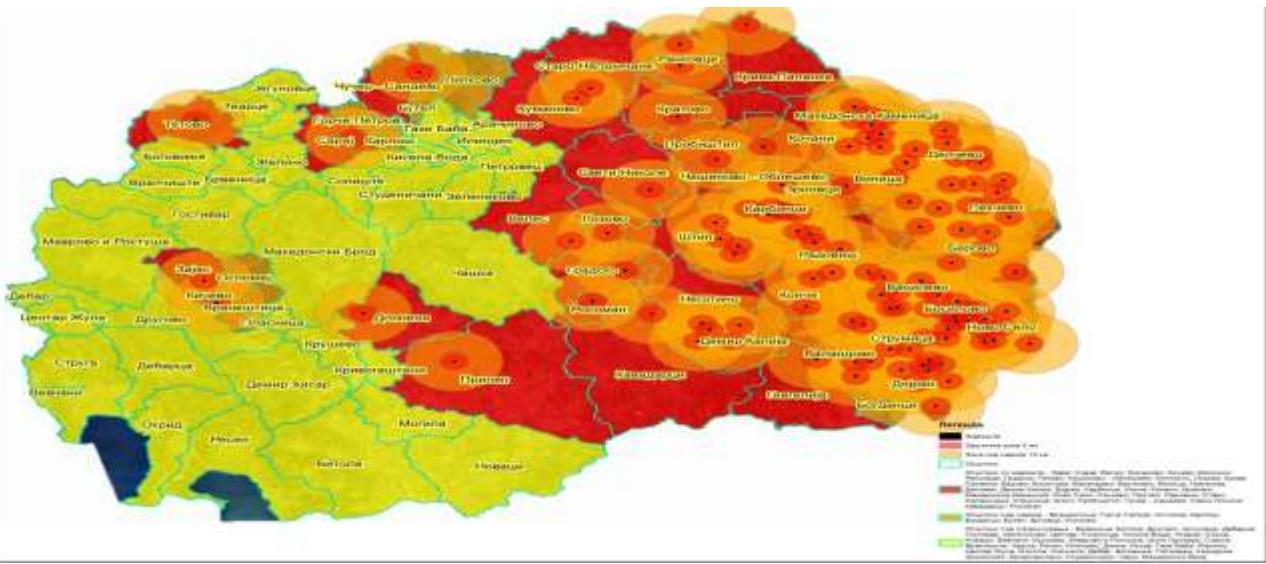
Primary outbreak /21 April 2016/



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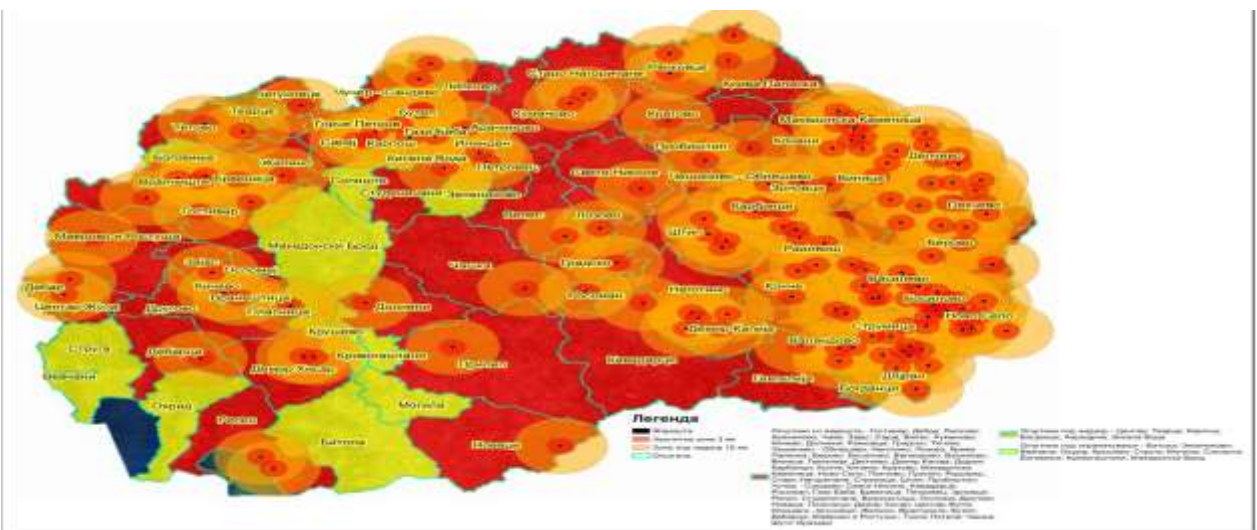
LSD situation on 30 June 2016



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LSD situation on 31 October 2016



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LSD Diagnostic capacity

Assay	Available	Not available	Testing possible at any time (24/7)	Max capacity of sample testing/day
PCR Gel based	Yes	/	Yes	50
PCR Real-time	Yes	/	Yes	50
Virus isolation	Yes	/	Yes	50-70
Serology	N/A	/	/	/
Other	/	/	/	/

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	Start (Date)	Finished (Date)	Vaccination strategy (whole country, ring vacc., buffer zone)	Vaccination coverage in vaccinated areas (%)
LSD Outbreaks	21.04.2016			
Vaccination campaign (2016)	24.05.2016	31.07.2016	Whole country	96,73 %
Vaccination campaign (2017)	March 2017		Whole country 1.new-borns 2.Vaccination will begin from eastern part of the country	
Product name	Manufacturer	Dosage	Present stock	Adverse reactions detected
Lumpy skin disease vaccine for cattle	OPB	50000	0	
Lumpyvax	MSD	250000	67500	
Other vaccine (name)				

- Started tender for vaccine for vaccination campaigns in 2017? Yes

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Vaccination - phase 1

- 24.05.2016 - beginning of the initial vaccination with the LSD vaccine of the animals in the restricted zones
 - 50 000 vaccines were donated from EU - live attenuated virus vaccine against LSD (Neethling strain), 'Lumpy Skin Disease Vaccine For Cattle', Onderstepoort Biological Products, South Africa.
 - Vaccination in accordance with the vaccination plan containing all provisions as laid down in Decision 2015/2055
 - Educational meeting with private veterinary practices

Vaccination - phase 2

- 27.06.2016 beginning of the second phase of the vaccination of the animals against LSD in the rest of the country
 - 250.000 vaccines has been purchased, Alternatively: live attenuated virus vaccine against LSD (SIS type), 'Lumpyvax', MSD Animal Health, Intervet, South Africa
 - Vaccination in accordance with the vaccination plan containing all provisions as laid down in the Decision 2015/2055
 - Vaccination campaign was completed on 31.07.2016

LSD vaccination report

Vaccination has been shown to be very effective tool for control and prevention of disease

No. of vaccinated animals	No. of vaccinated herds	% of vaccinated animals
212 153	24.053	96.73%

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Outbreak response

Measure	Applied			Not applied
Contingency plan available	No			
Cattle movement control	Yes			
Cleaning and disinfection	Yes			
Stamping-out policy	Total (all animals) Yes	Partial (only those with clinical signs) Yes	Partial (only severe cases)	
Disposal of carcasses	At site Yes	Outside Yes	Into a plant N/A	
	Burning No	Burial Yes	Rendering N/A	
Vector control	Animals Yes	Facilities Yes	Environment Yes	
Clinical surveillance	Active (# of samples) No	Passive (# of samples) Y (over 2000)		
Serosurveillance	# of samples N/A			

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Challenges

- **Reimbursement of the farmers**
- **Awareness campaign**
- **Vaccination of the new born**
- **Trade/transit with live animals, products**
- **Vaccination in the neighboring countries**
- **Regional approach**
- **Purchase of vaccines and vaccination campaign for 2017**

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Thank You for Your attention

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