



Agenda

Train of trainers program for field veterinarians on LSD (TCP/RER/3605)

Venue: mun. Chisinau, Institutul Muncii, str. Zimbrului 10

Organisers: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

Language: English with simultaneous translation to Romanian (consecutive translation on day 2)

Background

Lumpy skin disease (LSD) is a newly emerged transboundary animal disease spreading throughout the Middle East, Turkey, the Balkans, the Caucasus and Eastern Europe. Introduction of LSD virus into naïve population causes considerable economic losses due to death of cattle, decrease of their productivity, the cost of vaccination campaigns, and most importantly, its effects on trade. The risk of an imminent incursion into neighboring still unaffected countries is very high, particularly for those sharing borders and (both formal and informal) trade routes. This is the case of Moldova.

LSD is a novel disease in the region. As such, veterinary services, farmers and cattle owners do not have experience in the recognition of the disease or the methods in which prevention and control can be realized. The veterinary services of affected and at risk countries, with no previous experience, are faced with serious challenges.

The training

Because of the above, a cascade training is scheduled in Moldova that eventually will reach all field veterinarians from all districts. The training is organized in the framework of the technical cooperation project TCP/RER/3605. The devised train-of trainer (TOT) program follows two main stages:

1. Training of core trainers: A 1.5-day training for core trainers from all districts, national project coordinator and national consultant from Moldova (all in charge of replicating the training in their own district, respectively).
2. Replicates of the trainings at territorial level, taught by the core trainers with the participation of all veterinarians.

Participants

The 1.5-day workshop brings together 37 veterinary specialists, one from each district, and 2 from Central level and 1 representative from academia.



Day 1 (6 November 2018)

09:00 – 09:15	Registration of the participants
09:15 – 09:45	Daniel Beltran-Alcrudo: Introduction of the workshop agenda and participants
09:45 – 10:00	Nadav Galon: Engagement and awareness of farmers and others
10:00 – 10:30	Tsviatko Alexandrov: LSD epidemiology and diagnosis (clinical and laboratory)
10:30 – 11:00	Tsviatko Alexandrov: LSD situation in the region
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30 - 12:00	Nadav Galon: Surveillance, early detection and emergency response
12:00 - 12:30	Tsviatko Alexandrov & Nadav Galon: LSD Epidemiological investigation
12:30 - 13:00	Tsviatko Alexandrov: Measures used on LSD positive holdings
13:00 - 14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 - 14:30	Nadav Galon: Lessons learnt from LSD in Israel
14:30 - 15:00	Tsviatko Alexandrov: Vaccines and vaccination
15:00 - 15:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:30 - 15:50	Nadav Galon: Biosecurity
15:50 - 16:10	Nadav Galon: Control measures
16:10 - 16:40	Discussion, Q&A

Day 2 (7 November 2018)

08:40 – Departure from the Hotel Institutul Muncii to the Agrarian University

09:00 – 12:00 Field exercise

Visit the Agrarian University cattle farm and practical exercises on:

- Biosecurity on farm
- Personal biosecurity
- Sample collection and handling
- Epidemiological investigation
- Application of control measures