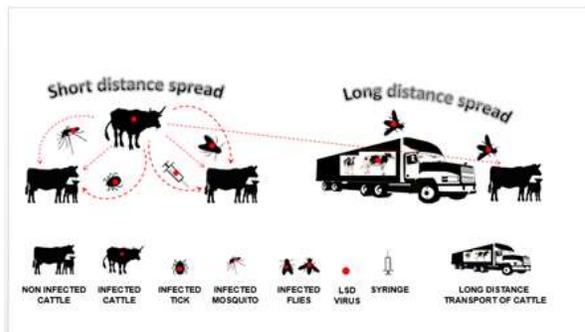


The FAO Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia (REU), together with the European Commission for the Control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease (EuFMD) and the Friedrich Loefflet Institute, have developed an *Online Training Course on Lumpy skin disease (LSD) Preparedness*. You are invited to participate in the Russian edition, which will start on 20 October and over the course of the following 4 weeks.

Who should take part in the pilot course?

Veterinarians who are involved in diagnosis, outbreak investigation and implementing measures on LSD, or those working with cattle. The course is suitable for both official and private veterinarians working at field or regional level, but will also be interesting for staff in central veterinary services.



What does the course cover?

- General overview on LSD
- Clinical diagnosis
- Laboratory diagnosis
- Epidemiology and outbreak investigation
- Monitoring and surveillance
- Control and eradication



What will the pilot course involve?

The course is studied entirely online and will take approximately **10 hours to complete**. Up to **400 participants may** take the course at the same time, and the course materials will be available for four weeks. The course combines self-paced learning with a unique opportunity to discuss and network with international experts and colleagues.

The course opens with a **live interactive webinar**, where trainees meet the trainers, and are introduced to the course and to LSD. Trainees then progress through **six interactive online modules**.

During the course, **expert trainers are available** through a discussion forum to answer questions from the trainees, and to lead interactive discussions. Towards the end of the course, there will be a second **live interactive webinar**, to discuss in detail topics raised during the course I. The course finishes with a comprehensive assessment.

All those who complete the course will be awarded a certificate.

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