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# **MEDITERRANEAN ANIMAL HEALTH NETWORK (REMESA)**

## **OVERVIEW AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

**Regional Training and Planning  
Communication Workshop  
November 2009**

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### Presentation outline

- The ECTAD North Africa Regional Animal Health Centre.
- North African/Mediterranean Region-Role of FAO
- The build-up of REMESA
- Achievements
- Action Plan
- The way forward



### The ECTAD North Africa unit / Regional Animal Health Centre

- Starts its activities in May 2007 under the framework of GFTADs.
- Funding (HPAI earmarked):
  - Spain (75%)
  - Canada (15%)
  - Sweden (5%)
  - Partnerships with EU DG Research programmes (ConFlutech / Arbozoonet).
- OIE launches its sub-regional office for North Africa and joins the RAHC-NA in May 2009 (within FAO premises)





### North African/Mediterranean region, FAO's role

- Most North African countries are *middle income economies* with relatively strong public services.
- Neighbouring region of the EU, being one of the *main beneficiaries of EC's aid*.
- EU support provided within the scope of *integration/upgrading policies rather than within a project based approach* (support to animal health provided through various DG and instruments: DG SANCO, DG RESEARCH, DG Dev).
- Ongoing political EU-North Africa (Mediterranean) integration processes: *Barcelona Process (since 1995), Union for the Mediterranean (since 2008)*.



### North African/Mediterranean region, FAO's role

- Importance of *bilateral aid* (partnerships, twinning).
- Within the Mediterranean region:
  - Increased trade and migrant flows among countries
  - Similar natural characteristics (climate, geography)
  - Geo-sanitary unit*** where specific diseases prevail
- In this context FAO-ECTAD (or OIE) role in animal health should be that of **promoter/facilitator/partner of ongoing integration (cooperation) policies** rather than that of a sole provider of technical assistance through projects in a context of scarce resources.



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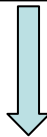


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## Build-up of REMESA

**Avila, Spain  
April 2008**



**Algiers, Algeria  
February 2009**



**Paris, France  
May 2009**



**Tunis, Tunisia  
July 2009**



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Agence Espagnole de Coopération  
Internationale pour le Développement

FAO - Centre Régional de Santé Animale  
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Réunion de coordination  
du Réseau Méditerranéen  
de Santé Animale (REMESA).

Première Réunion du Comité  
Permanent Conjoint (CPC).

Tunis  
15-16 Juillet 2009



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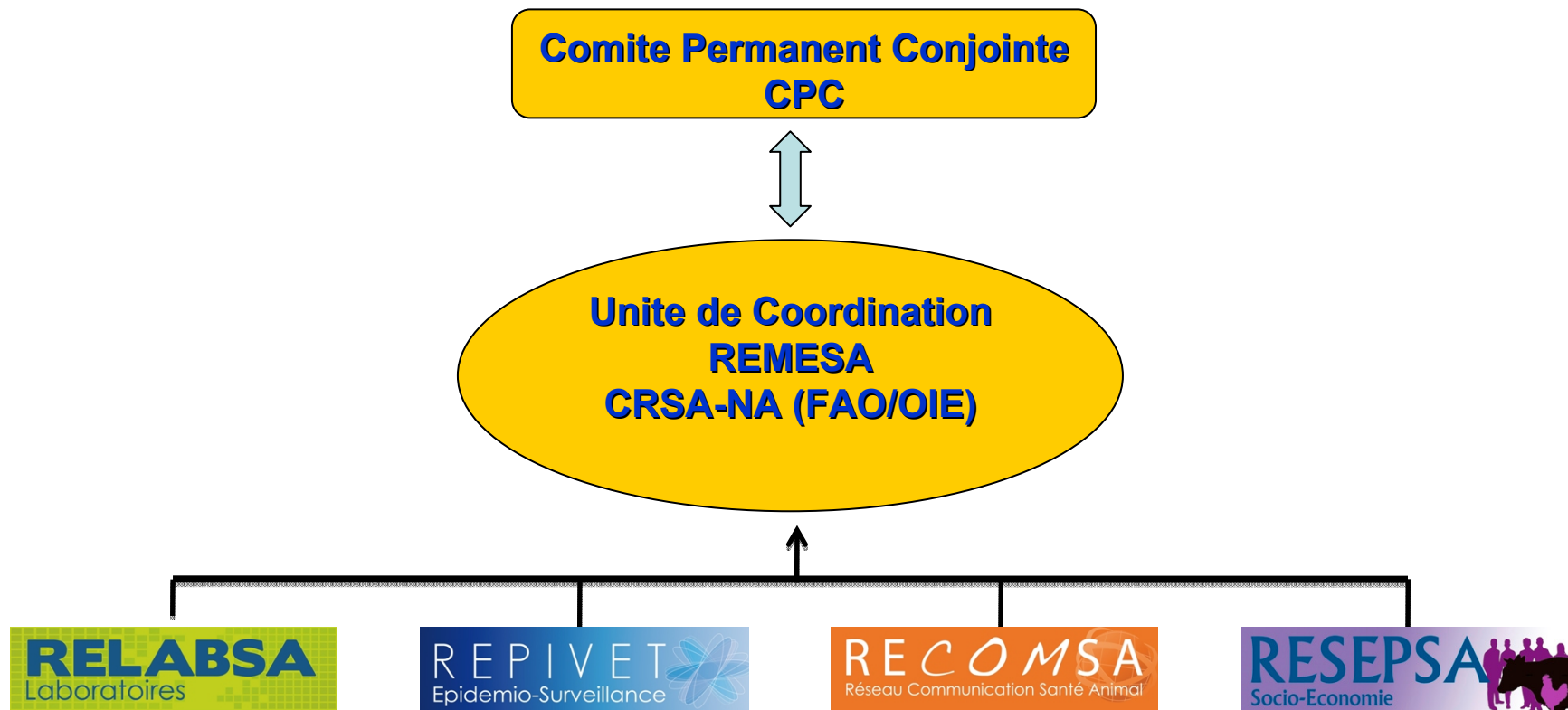




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## Achievements: structure and mandate



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### Achievements: the CPC

- Governance of REMESA: the *Joint Permanent Committee (CPC)*:
  - Decision making body of REMESA
  - Composed of 10 CVOs+FAO+OIE
  - Observers: EU, UMA, others (FMD commission, etc..)
  - Decisions taken by 10 countries in consultation with FAO and OIE
  - Meets at least once a year.
  - Co-presided annually by two countries (north and south)



### Achievements: the UCR (RAHC-NA)

- Secretariat and technical assistance of REMESA, the *Regional Coordination Unit (UCR)*:
  - Implementing agency of REMESA, through the RAHC-NA (FAO+OIE)
  - Implements projects and mobilizes resources
  - Organizes CPC meetings
  - Prepares and submits REMESA annual action plan and six month workplans.
  - Runs the regional technical networks (Relabsa, Recomsa, etc..) and REMESA-RAHC-NA Website (<http://www.fao-ectad-crsa-an.org/> )




## **REMESA Annual Action Plan: July 2009 – June 2010**

- Five expected Outputs guiding the Action Plan:
  - **Output 1.** Regional coordination and performance for the diagnosis of TADs and zoonoses have been improved.
  - **Output 2.** Epidemiological surveillance of priority TADs and zoonoses improved and harmonized .
  - **Output 3.** A regional integrated approach for animal health communication for main TADs and zoonoses has been developed.
  - **Output 4.** Knowledge on the regional socio-economics of animal health improved and regional livestock producer's networks established.
  - **Output 5.** Regional coordination, harmonisation and cooperation for animal health policy on main TADs and zoonoses ensured.





## **REMESA Annual Action Plan: July 2009 – June 2010**

- **Output 3.** A regional integrated approach for animal health communication for main TADs and zoonoses has been developed.
  - O.3.A.1. Establishment of animal health communication working group
  - O.3. A.2. Establishment of a communication network 
  - O.3.A.3. Coordination of regional communication strategies and plans including targeted programmes for migrant populations.
  - O.3.A.4. Exchange of communication methodologies, materials and information at the regional level.
  - O.3.A.5. Launch of harmonised regional public awareness campaigns.



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## **REMESA Six month work plan: July -December 2009**



**“REMESA Six-Month Work Plan”**



**JULY 2009 - DECEMBER 2009**

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REMESA WORKPLAN JULY - DECEMBER 2009

	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
<b>O.3. A regional integrated approach for animal health communication for mainTADs and zoonoses has been developed.</b>						
<b>O.3.A.1./A.2. Establishment of animal health communication working group/Establishment of communication network including public health focal points &amp; online forum.</b>						
1.1. Establishment of a FAO-ECTAD/RAHC-NA Animal Health Communication Unit						
1.2. Assessment and planning missions to North African countries						
1.3. Regional Animal Health Communication Planning Workshop						
<b>O.3.A.3. Coordination of regional communication strategies and plans including targeted programmes for migrant populations and tourism.</b>						
<b>O.3.A.4. Exchange of communication methodologies, materials and information at the regional level.</b>						
4.1. Communication support to the HPAI National Simulation Exercise in Libya						



### The way forward



- Funding:
  - FAO: August 2009 contribution AECID (Spain) to REMESA
  - OIE:?
- Build-up of a **multidisciplinary team** in ECTAD-Tunis RAHC-NA
- **Partnerships** with EU programmes (DG Research, FMD Commission).
- Integration of REMESA into existing EU-Mediterranean policies / structures: projects under the umbrella of the Barcelona based **Union for the Mediterranean** (launched in 2008)?
- In the medium term: **regular REMESA funding mechanism supported by EU and participant countries' contributions?**





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