



Strengthening capacities to adopt One Health to enhance Health Security

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Rationale

The initiative is part of the WHO/ISS collaboration agreement "Arboviral and zoonotic diseases in Libya: A joint WHO-ISS intervention to mitigate threats using the One Health approach", aimed at strengthening the operationalization of the One Health (OH) approach in Libya.

Aims

Strengthening National One Health Strategies with coordination and collaboration between countries to prevent and control threats emerging at human-animal-environment interface.

Specific objectives

1. To share experiences and lessons learned on National One Health Strategies: priorities, achievements and constraints with a special focus on zoonoses and arbovirus diseases
2. To discuss the role of regional Networks for enhancing OH adoption
3. To identify One Health priorities for countries collaborations

Expected Target

Countries of the Mediterranean Basin, Middle East, Balkans and Europe

PROGRAMME

Monday, April 13 - Aula Pocchiari

12.00 Welcome Lunch



- 13.00 Institutional Opening
Rocco Bellantone - Istituto Superiore di Sanità, President
Marco Riccardo Rusconi - Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS), Director
Ahmed Zouiten - World Health Organisation, WHO Representative in Libya
Raffaella Bucciardini - National Center for Global Health Director, Istituto Superiore di Sanità
- 14.00 Key note lecture: Sustainability in the context of One Health; a conceptual framework for analysis
Osman Dar
- 14.30 Session 1- One Health Operationalization: the added value of Networking
Chair: Maria Grazia Dente
Osman Dar
- Vanessa Lagal**
Maarten Hoek
Rusmir Goletić
Alessio Lorusso
Elisabetta D'Agostino
Thierry Caquet
Heidi Auerswald
- 16.30 Discussion and conclusions and closing of the day

Tuesday, April 14 - Aula Marotta

- 09.30 Session 2 - National One Health Strategies: Sharing priorities, achievements, constraints, return of investment in OH
Chair: Umberto Agrimi
- Ahmed Saleh Elgrari**
Nissaf Ben Alaya
Giorgi Chakhunashvili
Mihaela Kavran
Lusine Paronyan
Zeina Farah
Lapo Mughini
Sara Ghanem
Priyakanta Nayak
Lucía García San Miguel
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.30 Session 3 - Do national OH Strategies consider OH priorities for Cross-country collaborations?
Chair: Asma Saidouni
Maham Habib
- Working groups, discussion on:
1. Availability of already established cross-country collaborations: countries involved; formal MoU; target pathogens; sectors involved; experts exchanging
 2. Needed multisectoral priorities/countries collaborations



3. Available resources to build on: national integrated digitalised systems, early warning system, event surveillance, essential data set for early warning/risk assessment, national workforce

15.30 Discussion in plenary on the results of working groups' activities

17.00 Closure of the 2nd day

Wednesday, April 15 - Aula Pocchiari

09.30 Session 4 - One Health International Governance: where are we?

Chair: *Stefania Marcheggiani*
Alberto Mantovani

Simona Seravesi

Rosa Peran Sala

Chadia Wannous

Valeria Colombo

Ahmed Saad

Carmen Varela Santos

Stephan Bronzwaer

11.00 Closing Remarks and way forward

12.00 Closure of the 3rd day
Light Lunch

SPEAKERS AND CHAIRPERSONS

Umberto Agrimi - Food safety, nutrition and veterinary public health, Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Italy

Nissaf Ben Alaya - Observatory of New and Emerging Diseases, Tunisia

Heidi Auerswald - Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale dell'Abruzzo e del Molise "Giuseppe Caporale", Italy

Stephan Bronzwaer - European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), Italy

Thierry Caquet - National Research Institute for Agriculture, Food and Environment (INRAE, Paris), France

Giorgi Chakhunashvili - National Center for Disease Control and Public Health, Georgia

Valeria Colombo - World Organisation for Animal Health, Belgium

Osman Dar - Africa CDC, Ethiopia

Maria Grazia Dente - National Center Global Health, Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Italy

Ahmed Saleh Elgrari - NCDC Libya

Zeina Farah - Ministry of Public Health, Lebanon

Elisabetta D'Agostino - AIFO NGO, Italy

Lucía García San Miguel - Ministry of Health, Spain

Sara Ghanem - World Health Organization (WHO), Egypt

Rusmir Goletić - Institute for Health and Food Safety Zenica, Bosnia-Herzegovina

Maarten Hoek - National Institute for Public Health and the Environment RIVM, The Netherlands

Mihaela Kavran - University of Novi Sad, Serbia

Vanessa Lagal - Pasteur Institute Paris, France

Alessio Lorusso - Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale dell'Abruzzo e del Molise "Giuseppe Caporale", Italy

Maham Habib - National Center Global Health, Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Italy



Alberto Mantovani - Risk Assessment Committee, European Chemicals Agency, Italy
Stefania Marcheggiani - Environment and Health Department, Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Italy
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Ahmed Saad - Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Egypt
Asma Saidouni - World Health Organization (WHO), Libya
Rosa Peran Sala - World Health Organization (WHO), Switzerland
Simona Seravesi - World Health Organization (WHO), Denmark
Carmen Varela Santos - European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC), Sweden
Chadia Wannous - World Organisation for Animal Health, France

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Workshop Venue

Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Aula Pocchiari Viale Regina Elena, 299 - Roma (Monday April 13, 2026 & Wednesday April 15, 2026)

Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Aula Marotta, Via Castro Laurenziano, 10 - Roma (Tuesday April 14, 2026)

Target Audience

The Workshop is intended primarily for the staff of health institutions and researchers interested in implementing plans for One Health including invited experts from abroad and relevant participants involved in One Health approach at Istituto Superiore di Sanità. Participation is in person, except for the possibility of ensuring online connection for participants who are prevented from arriving in Rome due to force majeure.

Maximum number of attendance: 100 on the 13 and 15 of April. On the 14 of April only participants involved in the working groups (40 selected participants).

Registration fees

Participation in the Workshop is free.

Registration and attendees' selection

To register, please fill in and send the form available online at the following link by April 3rd:
[REGISTRATION FORM](#).

Participants will be selected based on registration priority until all available spots are filled, and according to the criteria described in the target audience

The selected participants will receive a confirmation email.



The participation might be limited to the days Monday April 13 and Wednesday April 15 2026, considering that the second day (Tuesday) is mainly dedicated to working groups (40 selected participants). This will be mentioned in the e-mail confirmation.

Except for participants with invitations, the travel and accommodation will be at the participants' expense. Participation will be recorded by the incoming and outgoing signatures on the attendance register.

Certificates

At the end of the event, upon request those who have attended the 75% of the event and submitted the satisfaction questionnaire online will receive a certificate of attendance, which will be sent by mail in the following days

For any further information about the conference, please contact the Organizing Secretariat.