

***Preliminary Round Table  
FIRST ERFAN  
GENERAL MEETING***

***July 8<sup>th</sup> 2021***

***Agenda and speakers***

## ***Introduction***

The ERFAN Secretariat organises the technical and scientific meeting of ERFAN as preliminary activity for the General Meeting, to be held in October 2021. This event allows to identify activities of common interest and to agree on the work plan for 2021/2022 to be presented during the general session.

Despite the rapidity of the spread of the Covid-19 pandemic and the systemic change it has brought about in international cooperation, ERFAN has worked decisively to strengthen the tools and resources needed to ensure the continuation of scientific cooperation and the planning of the activities.

Due to the global pandemic restrictions, the meeting will be held in online session.

## ***Objectives***

The general objective of the “ERFAN day” is mainly the exchange of practical experiences about the introduction of new tools implemented or the management of specific topics in the participating institutions. The crucial aspect is to have the possibility to exchange experience from an activity's point of view on lessons learnt so far.

The specific objectives of the meeting are:

- To give a comprehensive overview of the activities carried out in 2020 and in part in 2021 from a technical and scientific point of view;
- To give an overview of the ERFAN's balance sheet, including the revised budget in 2020, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, and the expenditures incurred;
- To develop an action plan for 2021/2022 addressing the priorities identified by the partner.

## ***Methodology***

The meeting is organized via Zoom platform.

## ***Participants***

The participants come from African National Veterinary Laboratories and Veterinary Schools of Algeria, Angola, Botswana, Egypt, Ethiopia, Italy, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Senegal, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, Tunisia, Zambia, and Zimbabwe. The OIE Sub-Regional Representations for Southern Africa and for North Africa attend the meeting and highlight the high value of networking in achieving ERFAN's objectives as a project supported by the OIE. Five Istituti Zooprofilattici Sperimentali and the Istituto Superiore di Sanità take part in the meeting providing the scientific contribution from Italy.

## ***Working language***

The working language is English with simultaneous translation into French.

## ***Timetable***

Central European Summer Time (CEST).

## ***Organisation***

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**July 8<sup>th</sup> 2021 - Morning**

<b>TIMETABLE</b>	<b>PLENARY SESSION I: OPENING REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION</b>	<b>SESSION CHAIRPERSON: Massimo Zaurrini</b>
9.30-10.00	<p><i>Welcome</i></p> <p><i>Introduction - Round table</i></p>	<p><b>Nicola D’Alterio</b> Director General IZSAM</p> <p><b>Koos Coetzer</b> ERFAN Secretariat</p> <p><b>Marina Bagni</b> Italian Ministry of Health</p> <p><b>Rachid Bouguedour</b> OIE Sub-Regional Representative for North Africa, Tunis</p> <p><b>Moetapele Letshwenyo</b> OIE Sub-Regional Representative for Southern Africa, Gaborone</p>
<b>TIMETABLE</b>	<b>PLENARY SESSION II: OVERVIEW OF ERFAN ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>SESSION CHAIRPERSON: Massimo Zaurrini</b>
10.00-10.40	<p><i>Status of the ERFAN technical and scientific activities</i></p> <p><i>Status of the ERFAN balance sheet</i></p>	<p><b>Massimo Scacchia</b> ERFAN Secretariat</p> <p><b>Laura De Antoniis</b> ERFAN Secretariat</p>

<b>TIMETABLE</b>	<b>SESSION III: SOUTHERN AFRICA COUNTRY BRIEFINGS</b>	<b>SESSION CHAIRPERSON: Moetapele Letshwenyo</b>
10.40-12.00 (10 minutes slot)	<p><i>Key Technical Inputs from Southern Africa and Italian partners</i></p> <p><i>WG “Anthrax”</i></p> <p><i>WG “Bovine Tuberculosis”</i></p> <p><i>WG “Brucellosis”</i></p> <p><i>WG “CBPP and small ruminants Mycoplasmosis”</i></p> <p><i>WG “Transmissible spongiform Encephalopathies”</i></p> <p><i>WG “Animal Welfare”</i></p> <p><i>WG “Food Hygiene”</i></p> <p><i>WG “Vector Borne Diseases- RVF”</i></p>	<p><b>ERFAN Coordinators</b></p> <p><b>Henriette Van Heerden</b>- UP-FVS <b>Domenico Galante</b> - IZSPB</p> <p><b>Claudio De Martinis</b> - IZSM</p> <p><b>Pious Makaya</b> - CVL <b>Giuliano Garofolo</b> - IZSAM</p> <p><b>Chandapiwa Marobela</b> <b>Raborokgwe</b> - BNVL <b>Guido Ruggero Loria</b>- IZSSI</p> <p><b>Johan Steyl</b> - UP-FVS <b>Elena Bozzetta</b> – IZSPLV</p> <p><b>Quixi Sonntag</b> - UP-FVS <b>Luigi Iannetti</b> - IZSAM</p> <p><b>Siegfried Khaiseb</b> - CVL <b>Francesco Pomilio</b> - IZSAM</p> <p><b>Luis Neves</b> - UP-FVS <b>Maria Luisa Danzetta</b>-IZSAM</p> <p><b>All ERFAN Partners</b></p>
12.00-13.00	<i>Discussion</i>	<p><b>Facilitators</b> <b>Koos Coetzer</b> <b>Massimo Scacchia</b> ERFAN Secretariat</p>
<b>LUNCH BREAK (13.00-14.30)</b>		

**July 8<sup>th</sup> 2021 - Afternoon**

<b>TIMETABLE</b>	<b>SESSION IV: NORTH, WEST AND EAST AFRICA COUNTRY BRIEFINGS</b>	<b>SESSION CHAIRPERSON: Rachid Bouguedour</b>
14.30-15.40 (10 minutes slot)	<p><i>Key Technical Inputs from North, West and East Africa and Italian partners</i></p> <p><i>WG “Anthrax” – GT “Charbon”</i></p> <p><i>WG “Bovine Tuberculosis”- GT “Tuberculose bovine”</i></p> <p><i>WG “Brucellosis” - GT “Brucelloses”</i></p> <p><i>WG “Small ruminants Mycoplasmosis” - GT “Mycoplasmoses des petits ruminants”</i></p> <p><i>WG “Transmissible spongiform Encephalopathies”- GT “Encéphalopathies spongiformes transmissibles”</i></p> <p><i>WG “Food Hygiene” - GT “Sécurité sanitaire des aliments”</i></p> <p><i>WG “Vector Borne Diseases- RVF” - GT “Maladies à transmission vectorielle”</i></p>	<p><b>ERFAN Coordinators</b></p> <p><i>Domenico Galante</i> - IZSPB</p> <p><i>Claudio De Martinis</i> - IZSM</p> <p><i>Fabrizio De Massis</i> – IZSAM</p> <p><i>Guido Ruggero Loria</i>- IZSSi</p> <p><i>Abdelkader Amara</i> – ENMV</p> <p><i>Elena Bozzetta</i> - IZSPLV</p> <p><i>Francesco Pomilio</i> – IZSAM</p> <p><i>Salah Hammami</i> – ENMV</p> <p><i>Giovanni Savini</i> - IZSAM</p>
15.40-16.40	<i>Discussion</i>	<p><b>Facilitators</b></p> <p><i>Alessandro Ripani</i> Programme Officer, Sub-Regional Representation for North Africa</p> <p><i>Laura De Antoniis</i> ERFAN Secretariat</p>
<b>TIMETABLE</b>	<b>SESSION V: KEY COMPONENTS FOR COMMON FRAMEWORK</b>	<b>SESSION CHAIRPERSON: Massimo Zaurrini</b>
16.40-17.00	<i>Approval of the joint operational plan for 2021/2022 and meeting closure</i>	<p><i>Alessandro Ripani</i></p> <p><i>Koos Coetzer</i></p> <p><i>Laura De Antoniis</i></p>