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JOINT PROGRAMMING FOR RISK ASSESSMENTS OF VECTOR-BORNE DISEASES EUBA-EFSA-2025-BIOHAW-04

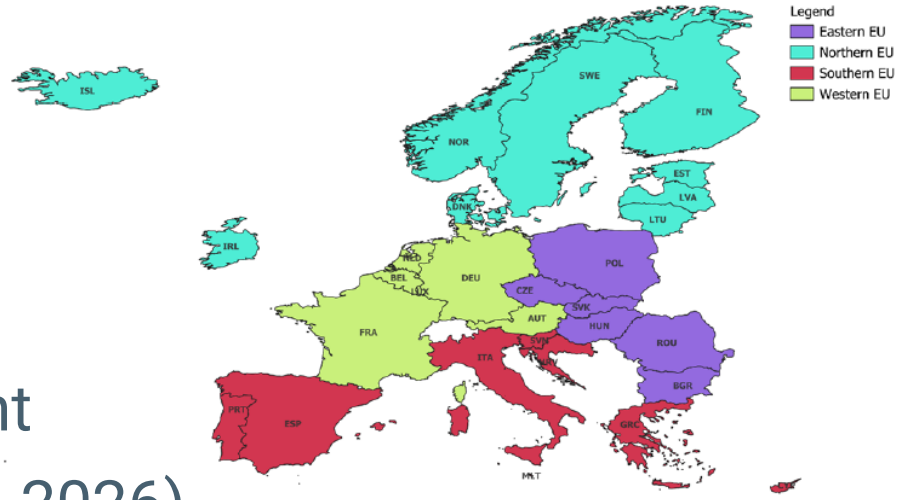
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OVERVIEW OF THE PRESENTATION CONTENT

1. Recap of Framework Partnership Agreement (FPA)
2. Priority pathogens and the corresponding RA questions proposed by lots in their roadmap
3. Topics proposed by lots to improve countries' VBD RA capacity
4. Specific RAs (pathogen-RA question) proposed by EFSA that could be done by 2028 by the lots

FPA OVERVIEW



- Type of call: Grant – framework partnership agreement
- Duration 48 months, from the date of signature (01.04.2026)
- Overall envelope amount for implementation via grant agreements: €6,000,000 across all 4 geographical areas/lots:

Northern EU – Lot 1: Lithuania, Denmark, Latvia, Ireland, Finland, Estonia, Sweden, Norway, Iceland

Southern EU – Lot 2: Spain, Greece, Malta, Italy, Croatia, Slovenia, Portugal, Cyprus

Western EU – Lot 3: Belgium, Netherlands, Luxembourg, France, Germany, Austria

Eastern EU – Lot 4: Hungary, Poland, Czech Republic, Bulgaria, Slovakia, Romania, Austria

COORDINATORS AND BENEFICIARIES

	Northern Lot - NOREVA	Southern Lot - SUREVBD	Western Lot - RAVE-WEST	Easter Lot - VERA-EAST
Coordinator:	**University of Copenhagen (UCPH)**	**Universitat de les Illes Balears (UIB)**	**French Agency for Food,Environmental and Occupational Health and Safety (ANSES)**	**Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety Gmbh (AGES)**
Coordinator Country:	Denmark	Spain	France	Austria
Member States Represented:	all 9	7 (all but Malta)	all 6	all 6
Total number of institutions involved:	13	17	7	9
Budget Ceiling:	1.500.000€	1.500.000€	1.500.000€	1.500.000€
Beneficiaries	• Swedish Veterinary Agency (**SVA**) • Norwegian Veterinary Institute (**NVI**) • Roukavirasto (**Finnish Food Authority**) • National Food and Veterinary Risk Assessment Institute (**NFVRAI**) • Iceland Food and Veterinary Authority (**MAST**) • Institute of Food Safety, Animal Health and Environment (**BIOR**) • Lithuanian University of Health Science (**LSMU**) • Riigi Laboriuungute Ja Riskihindamise Keskus (**LABRIS**) • Department of Agriculture, Food and The Marine (**DAFM**) • Statens Serum Institut (**SSI**) • Estonian University of Life Sciences (**EMU**) • University of Iceland, Insitute of Experimental Pathology (**KELDUR**)	• Benaki Phytopathological Institute (**BPI**) • Agencia Estatal Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas, M.P. (**CSIC**) • Croatian Veterinary Institute (**CVI**) • Ellinikos Georgikos Organismos – Dimitra (**ELGO**) • Instituto Nacional de Investigação Agrária e Veterinária (**INIAV**) • Instituto Nacional de Saúde Doutor Ricardo Jorge (**INSA**) • Institut de Recerca i tecnologies Agroalimentàries (**IRTA**) • Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale dell'Abruzzo e del Molise 'Giuseppe Caporale' (**IZSAM**) • Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment (**Veterinary Services**) (**MARDE VS**) • NEIKER, Instituto Vasco de Investigación y Desarrollo Agrario, S.A (**NEIKER**) • Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (**UAB**) • Universidad Complutense de Madrid (**UCM**) • Universidad de Cordoba (**UCO**) • University of Ljubljana (**UL**) • Universidad de Zaragoza (**UNIZAR**) • University of Thessaly (**UTH**)	• Friedrich- Loeffler- Institut (**FLI**) • Österreichische Agentur für Gesundheit und Ernährungssicherheit GmbH (**AGES**) • Luxembourg Institute of Health (**LIH**) • Centre for Monitoring of Vectors, Netherlands Food and Consumer Safety Authority (**CMW NVWA**) • Sciensano • Stichting Wageningen Research, Institute Wageningen Bioveterinary Research (**WR**)	• Risk Assessment on Food Chain (**RACFC**) • Statni Zdravotni ustav (**SZU**) • National Food Chain Safety Office (**NFCSO**) • National Sanitary Veterinary and Food Safety Authority (**NSVFSA**) • Institute for Diagnosis and Animal Health (**IDAH**) • Państwowy Instytut Weterynaryjny – Państwowy Instytut Badawczy (**PIWET**) • Universitatea De Stiinte Agricole si Medicina Veterinara din Cluj-Napoca (**USAMV CLUJ-NAPOCA**) • Univerzita Veterinarskeho Lekarstva A Farmacie v Kosiciach (**UVLF**)

CONTRACT KEY POINTS

- **Build long-term capacities & partnerships** for risk assessment of VBDs in the EU
- Develop a **roadmap of scientific topics** to enhance **support to decision makers** when dealing with challenges posed by VBDs
- Enhance **coordination** of activities to guarantee **resource optimization** and **increase resilience** against VBDs
- **Address gaps** in knowledge, assuring **timely dissemination** of the outputs **among VBDs' risk assessors and risk managers**
- Tasks include scientific tasks, project coordination & management, collaboration, and knowledge dissemination

ROAD MAP: QUESTIONS PROPOSED BY LOTS

Eastern Lot*

- WNV
- CCHFV
- LSDV
- BTV
- Borrelia burgdorferi
- Coxiella burnetii
- TBEV
- Bagaza virus

Northern Lot

- BTV, WNV, TBEV, *Anaplasma phagocytophilum*, *Setaria tundra*, LSDV
- Introduction, establishment and spread pathways
- Integration of One Health surveillance information into RA

Southern Lot

- WNV spatial, temporal distribution & early warning
- CCHFV introduction, establishment risk
- LSDV introduction & reintroduction pathways
- BTV transmission risk, mitigation measures
- *Borrelia burgdorferi* s.l. targeted surveillance, prevention
- *Leishmania infantum* transmission, spread risk

Western Lot*

- WNV surveillance effectiveness in vertebrates and arthropods
- CCHFV introduction, establishment & spread risk
- LSDV, introduction & spread risk
- RVFV introduction, establishment & spread risk
- EHDV introduction, emergence, overwintering, spread risk; impact of BTV-co-circulation

*= based on draft roadmap

ROAD MAP: SCIENTIFIC TOPICS PROPOSED BY LOTS

Lead	
Eastern Lot	Training on VBD-RA and joint RA-exercises
Northern Lot	Harmonised VBD-RA method and modelling approaches
Southern Lot	Interoperable data, data access and shared analytical infrastructure
Western Lot	Preparedness for emerging VBDs & rapid risk assessment
	Spatial risk mapping, forecasting and climate/environmental drivers

RISK QUESTIONS SUGGESTED BY EFSA

WEST NILE virus

- Risk of introduction into free-countries
- Risk of spatial and temporal spread
- Surveillance effectiveness in vertebrates and arthropods, including decision support criteria

TICKS

- *Risk of Hyalomma* tick introduction and establishment
- Risk of introduction of Crimean Congo Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF) virus through animal movements
- Risk of introduction of Tick-Borne Encephalitis (TBE) virus

DISCUSSION

- Are there any pathogens that you had expected to be in the roadmaps that are not there?
- Do you agree with the proposal from EFSA of specific Risk Assessments to be included in the next Specific Agreement?
- If not, what specific RAs do you think should be prioritised?

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