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(SGE ASF9) Kiev March 22-23 2018

Regional Standing group of Experts for ASF

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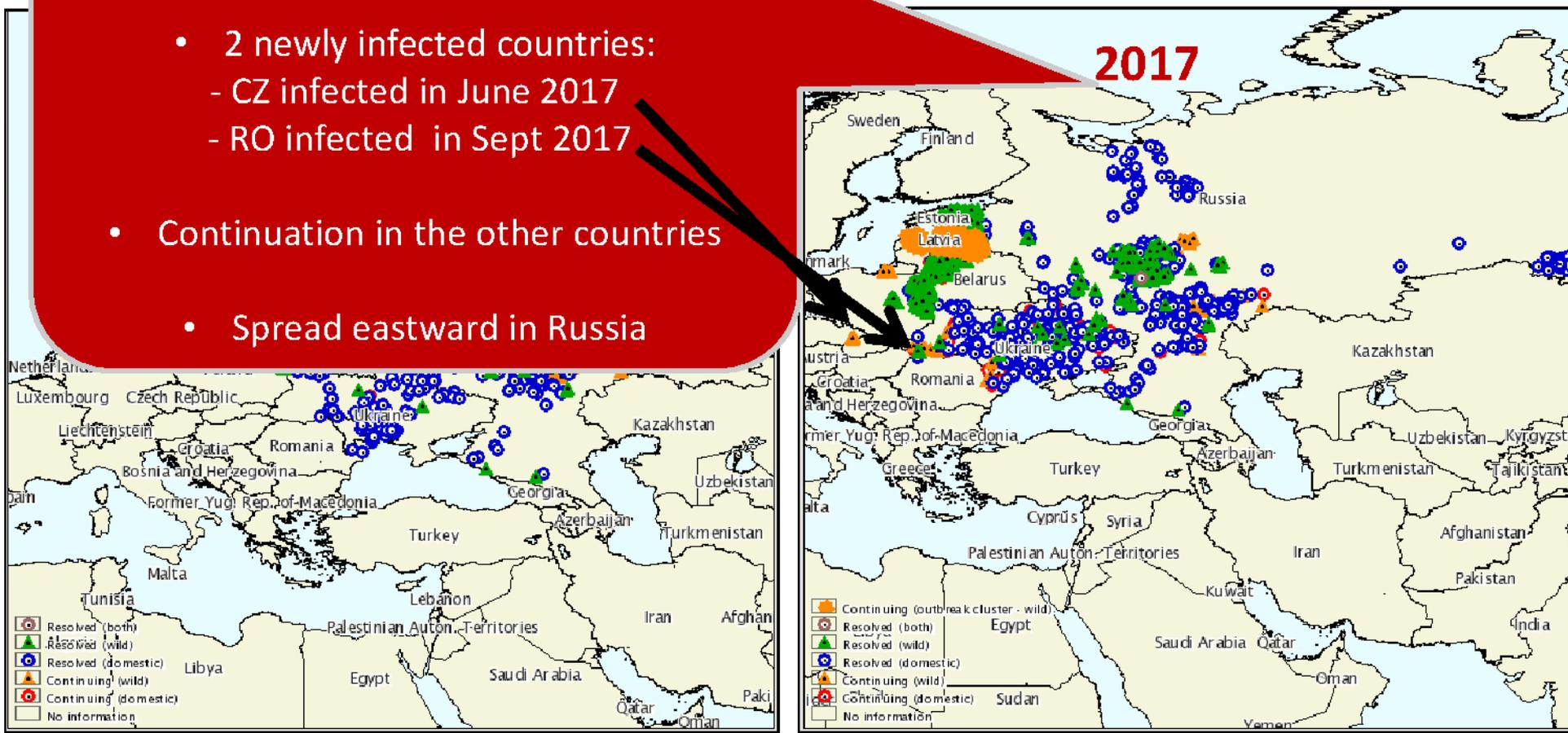


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ASF Europe

What is new in 2017?

- 2 newly infected countries:
 - CZ infected in June 2017
 - RO infected in Sept 2017
- Continuation in the other countries
- Spread eastward in Russia



SGE ASF – update

1. **SGE ASF7** (in the margins of the OIE GS in May 2017) – open to all countries in Europe
2. **SGE ASF8** (Moldova; September 2017) – open to all countries in Europe
Topic: risk communication and laboratory capacity
 - Recommendations adopted
3. **SGE ASF Mission** in Czech Republic (September 2017) – SGE ASF Experts
 - Report prepared; will be presented in the SGE ASG9, for adoption
4. **SGE ASF Mission** in Romania (December 2017) – SGE ASF experts.
 - Report under preparation; will be presented in the SGE ASG9, for adoption
5. **SGE ASF9** – the SGE ASF country reports of Czech Republic and Romania were presented and adopted. Main topic: Cross border cooperation addressing (legal and) irregular movements of pigs and their products.
 - GF-TADs Handbook on ASF in wild boar and biosecurity measures during hunting was presented.

SGE ASF meeting

- The meeting has been held in Kiev on March 22-23, 2018. Target disease of the meeting was African Swine Fever (ASF), an infectious disease of domestic and wild pigs of all breeds and ages.
- A number of countries delegates attended the meeting: Belarus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Poland, Romania, Russia, Ukraine, and delegates of FAO and WCO.
- The meeting caused additional attention from new countries that have been participating as observers: Denmark, Hungary, Germany, Serbia, United Kingdom.

The SGE ASF9 recommendations (1)

1. Efforts in implementing previous GF-TADs SGE ASF recommendations should continue, notably in relation to diagnostic aspects and wild boar management.
2. Tailor made information campaigns should be organized targeting:
 - a. Travelers moving in back and forth (such as tourists, workers and truck drivers) at border checkpoints.
 - b. Border Inspection posts, or relevant services, and customs officials in order to promote understanding of the risks related to African swine fever and the tools available to enforce the legislation in place.
3. Coordinated border management among border Inspection posts and customs officials should be encouraged in order to tighten the cooperation among these two bodies across the border and within the country.

The SGE ASF9 recommendations (2)

4. Specific visible tools and procedures should be in place at border checkpoints in order to screen the required number of travelers and consignments to fight/control illegal movements.
5. In order to optimize the use of available resources, risk analysis and risk profiling for borders control personal luggage and vehicles should be carried out.
6. Within ASF infected countries, measures should be taken to ensure that the movement of pigs and pig products complies with the ASF prevention requirements. Awareness campaigns suited to this end should be undertaken by using different communication channels targeted to reach the intended audiences (e.g. travelers, farmers, hunters, traders).

The SGE ASF9 recommendations (3)

7. Empty animal trucks should be disinfected according to a well-defined procedures, using disinfectants recommended by OIE.
8. Further transparency is encouraged by data sharing using the wide range of dedicated information systems (including WAHIS) and by promoting use of standardized datasets.
9. In order to carry out these recommendations and eradicate ASF, the Veterinary Authorities need support to engage the required technical competencies, human and financial resources.

GF-TADs Handbook on ASF is finalized and shared with Member Countries in both paper and electronic manner (GF-TADs website). The updates of the Handbook should continue in order to match the changes in the epidemiological situation.

Preparation of a ASF Handbook under the GF-TADs

- Topic: Hunting biosecurity and carcass disposal
- For hunters and VS
- Prepared by SGE ASF Experts
- Format: 'FAO Manual'
- Content:

Chapter 1 - General Epidemiology

Chapter 2 - Wild boar biology and demography

Chapter 3 - Wild boar management in ASF infected areas

Chapter 4 - Biosecurity: which aim which role in the framework of ASF in wild boar

Chapter 5 - Biosecurity during hunting

Chapter 6 – Risk communication to Hunters

Chapter 7 - Data collection

SGE ASF – Next steps

1. SGE ASF10 (Paris, during the OIE SG)
2. SGE ASF11 (Poland, Fall 2018)
3. Finalization of the ASF Handbook

Additional information in GF-TADs website (OIE Regional website for Europe)

Meetings of the SGE ASF

Kick-off meeting

SGE ASF1 (Minsk, December 2014)

SGE ASF2 (Tallinn, February 2015)

SGE ASF3 (Russia, March 2016)

SGE ASF4 (Paris, 24 May 2016)

SGE ASF5 (Lisbon, 19 September 2016)

SGE ASF6 (Vilnius, 28-29 November 2016)

SGE ASF7 (Paris, 23 May 2017)

SGE ASF8 (Chisinau, Moldova, 20-21 September 2017)

SGE ASF9 (Kiev, Ukraine, 22-23 March 2018) **NEW**

SGE ASF Country Reports

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