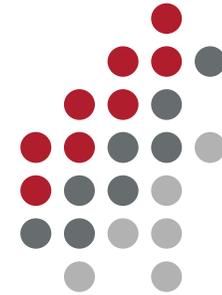




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OIE Strategy for Veterinary Products



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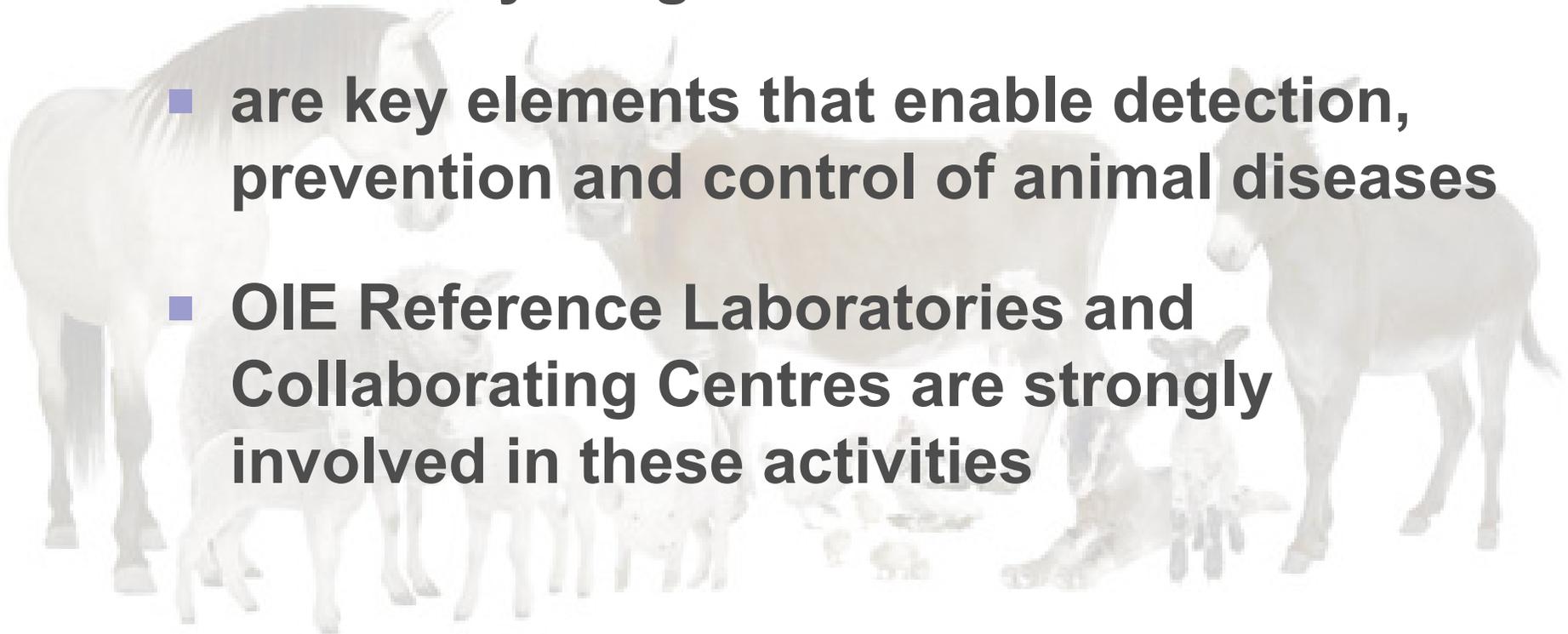
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OIE Strategy for Veterinary Products

Veterinary products

- include diagnostics, vaccines and veterinary drugs
- are key elements that enable detection, prevention and control of animal diseases
- OIE Reference Laboratories and Collaborating Centres are strongly involved in these activities



RESOLUTION No. 25 on Veterinary Products

- ❑ **Adopted at the 77th OIE General Session in May 2009**
- ❑ **Reflects the aim of promoting a coherent strategy and of strengthening OIE involvement in this field**
- ❑ **Six recommendations to OIE Members**
- ❑ **Seven recommendations to the OIE**



Recommendations to OIE Members

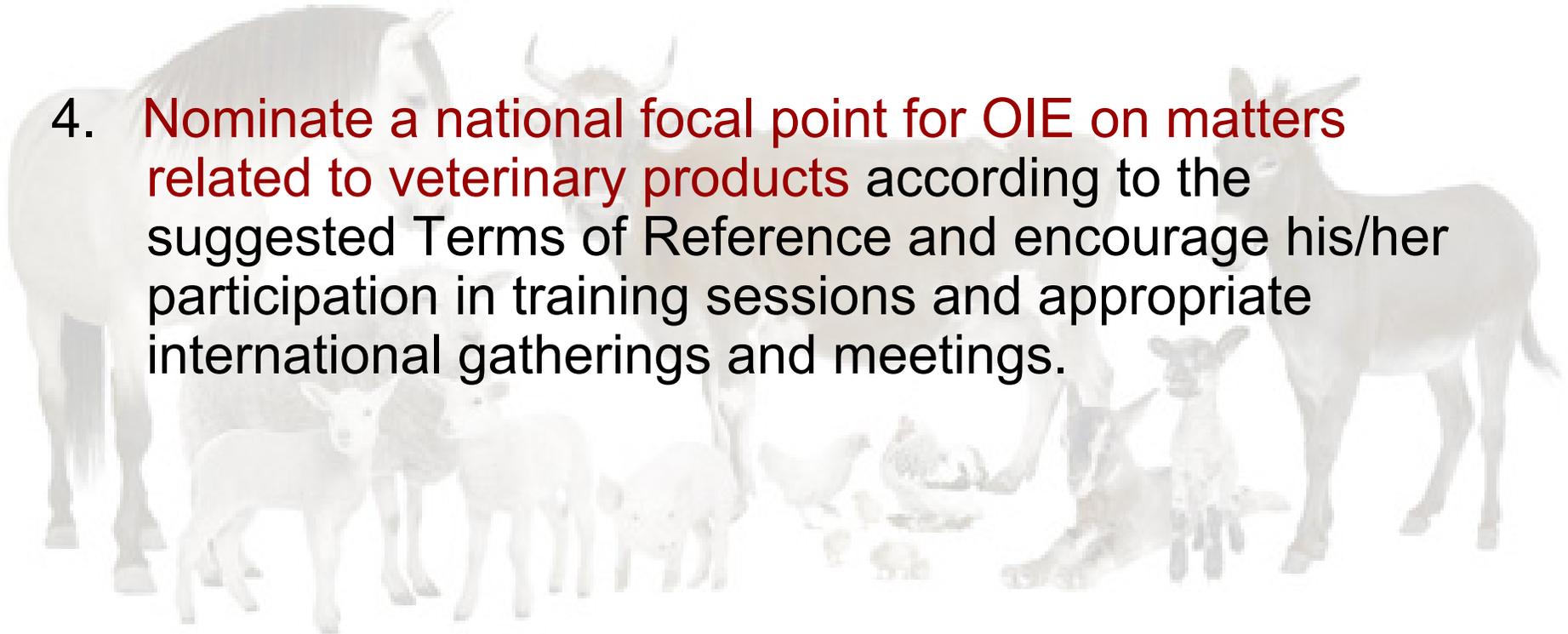
1. **Promote and enhance** in their respective countries **good veterinary governance**, which includes the compliance of Veterinary Services with OIE international standards, as an instrumental and essential prerequisite to the establishment and effective implementation of adequate and appropriate legislation covering all aspects of products for veterinary use, **including registration, quality control, distribution and final use.**
2. Develop and improve international and regional cooperation in the **establishment and enforcement of legislation to harmonise the regulatory framework between Members** so as to assist countries in need to effectively institute and maintain such mechanisms.



Recommendations to OIE Members

3. **Allocate appropriate human and financial resources to Veterinary Services and laboratories** to correctly implement the OIE standards and guidelines related to veterinary products and their control.

4. **Nominate a national focal point for OIE on matters related to veterinary products** according to the suggested Terms of Reference and encourage his/her participation in training sessions and appropriate international gatherings and meetings.



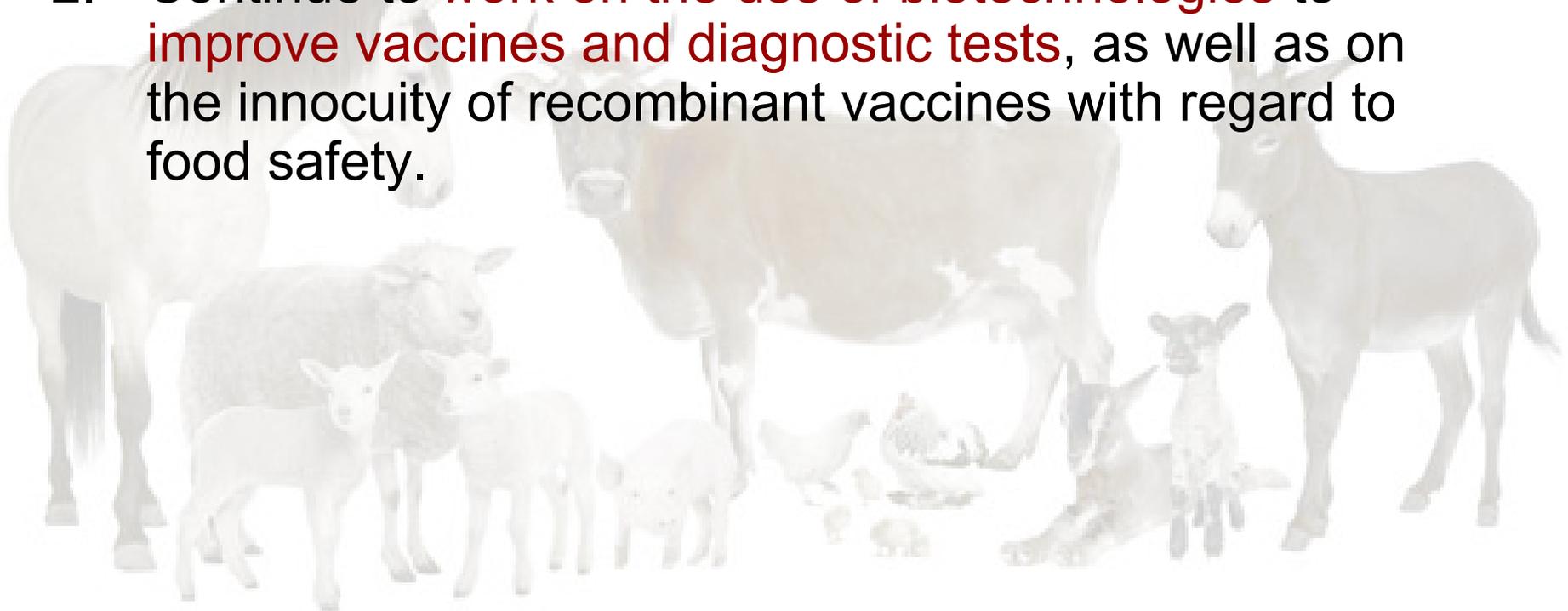
Recommendations to OIE Members

5. Promote the responsible and prudent use of veterinary medicinal products, in particular of antimicrobials used in veterinary medicine, and the monitoring of the potential existence or development of antimicrobial resistance.
6. Actively encourage the recognition and application of the international recommendations, guidelines and tools developed by the OIE and adopted by the International Committee on veterinary products.



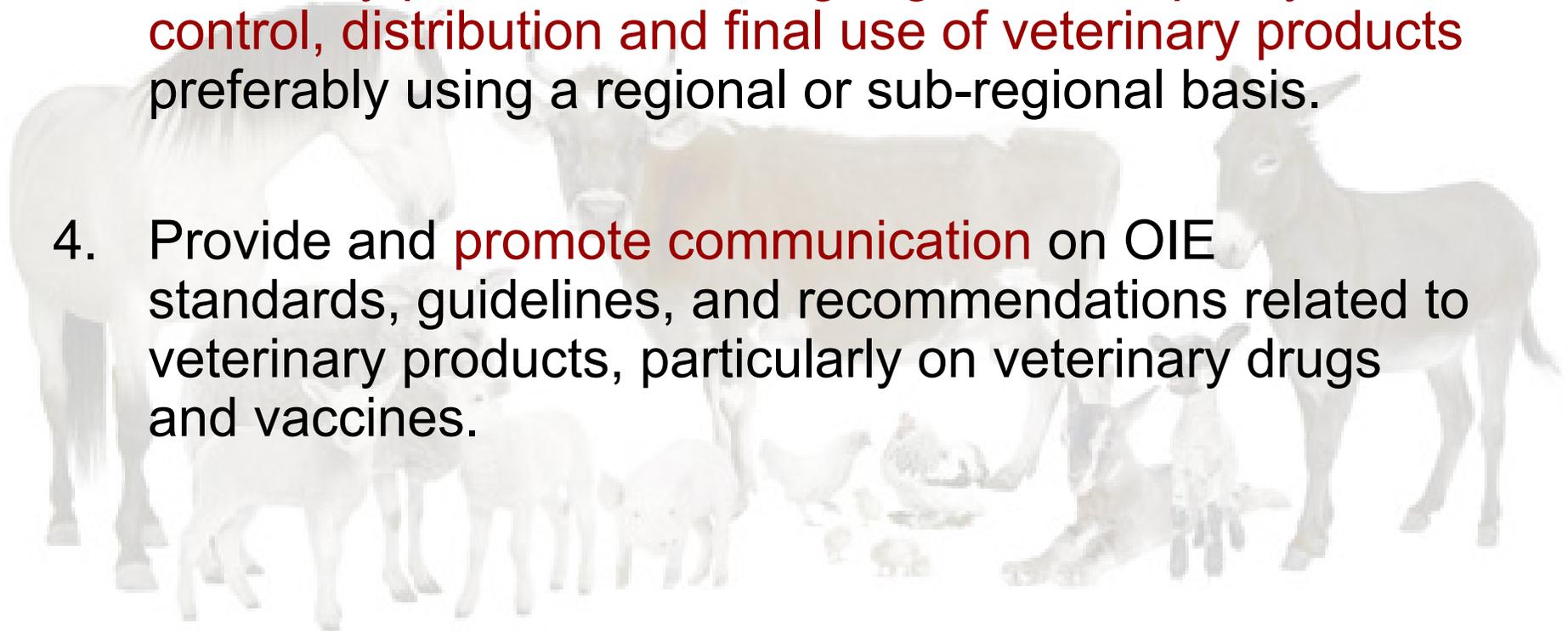
Recommendations to OIE Members

1. Continue to **develop and update standards, guidelines** and recommendations on diagnostic tests, vaccines and veterinary drugs, including antimicrobials.
2. Continue to **work on the use of biotechnologies to improve vaccines and diagnostic tests**, as well as on the innocuity of recombinant vaccines with regard to food safety.



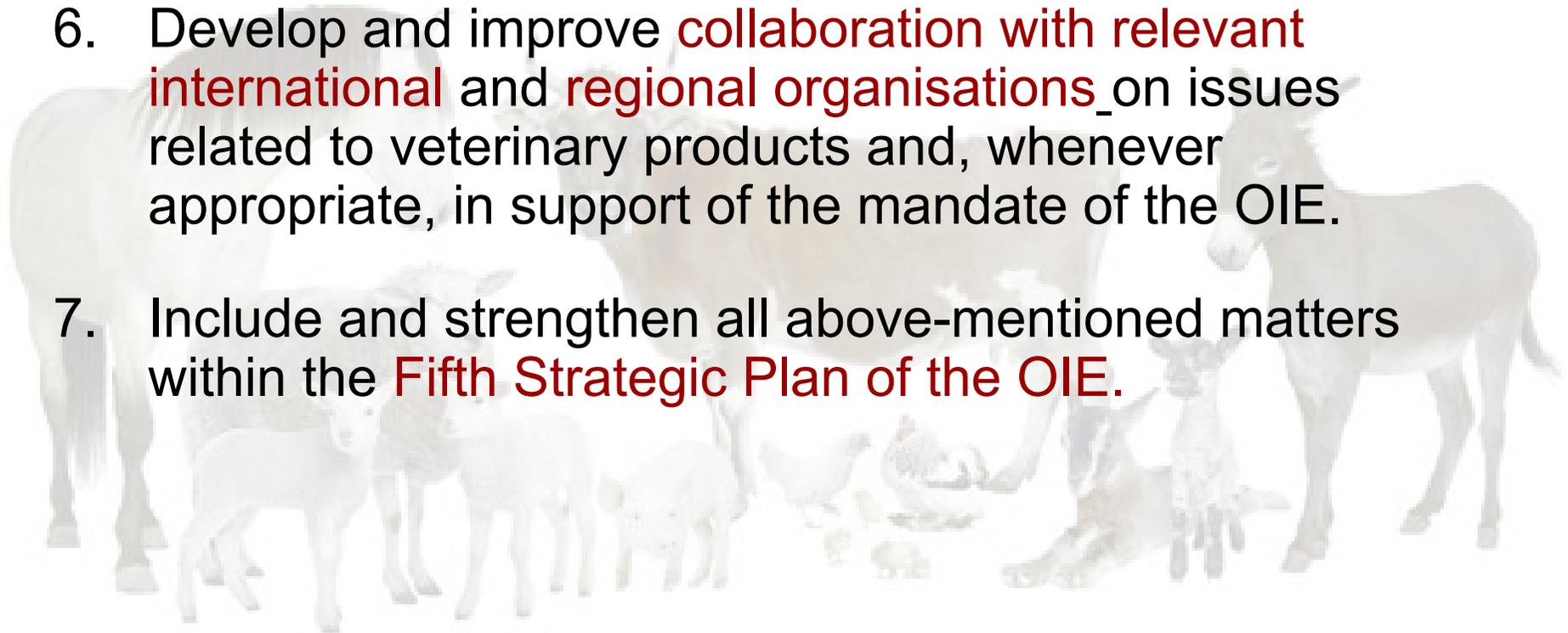
Recommendations to OIE Members

3. Continue to **strengthen capacity building activities including training** particularly directed at Delegates and focal points, to enable OIE Members to organise, manage and implement appropriate legislation **for veterinary products including registration, quality control, distribution and final use of veterinary products** preferably using a regional or sub-regional basis.
4. Provide and **promote communication** on OIE standards, guidelines, and recommendations related to veterinary products, particularly on veterinary drugs and vaccines.



Recommendations to the OIE

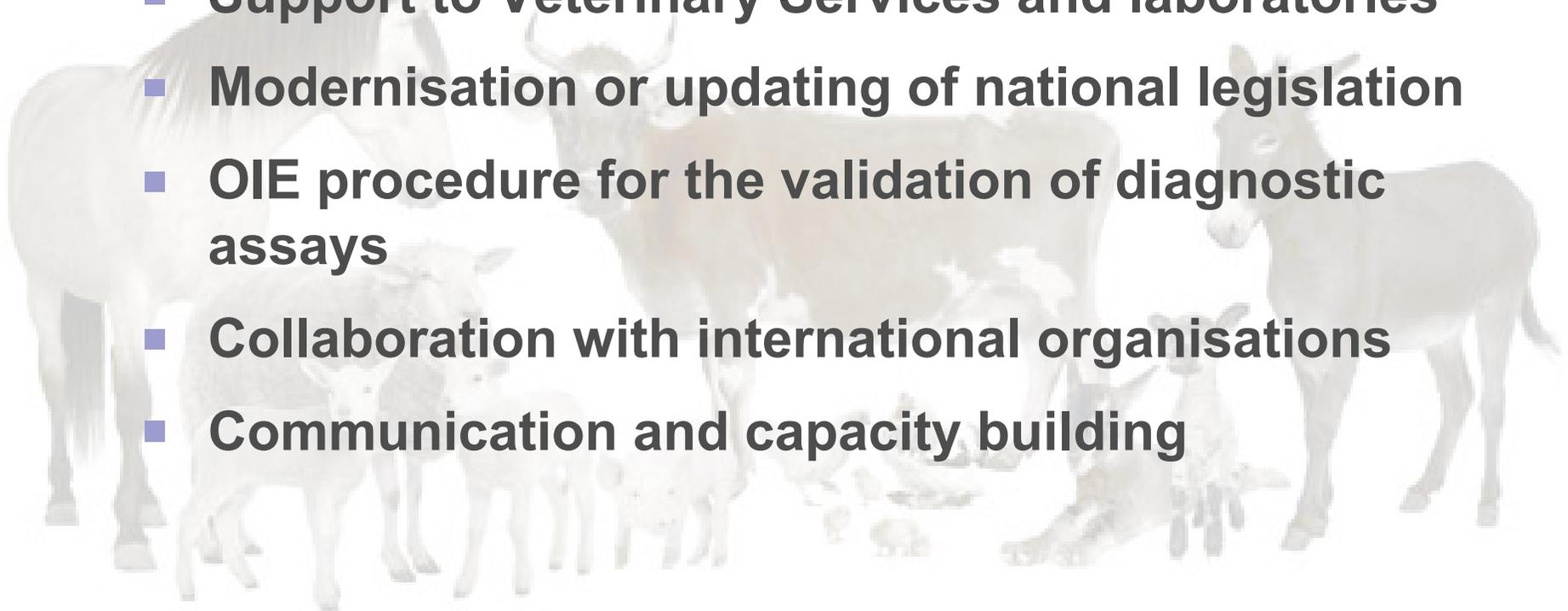
5. Continue to **actively participate in and support VICH activities** and to share outcomes with OIE Members with a view to promoting VICH guidelines at global level.
6. Develop and improve **collaboration with relevant international and regional organisations** on issues related to veterinary products and, whenever appropriate, in support of the mandate of the OIE.
7. Include and strengthen all above-mentioned matters within the **Fifth Strategic Plan of the OIE.**



OIE Strategy for Veterinary Products

Based on complementary approaches:

- **Development and updating of international standards and guidelines**
- **Support to Veterinary Services and laboratories**
- **Modernisation or updating of national legislation**
- **OIE procedure for the validation of diagnostic assays**
- **Collaboration with international organisations**
- **Communication and capacity building**



Communication and Capacity building

OIE Conference on Veterinary Medicinal Products in Africa

Dakar (Senegal), 25–27 March 2008



OIE Conference
on Veterinary Medicinal Products
In the Middle East

"Towards harmonisation and improvement
of registration, distribution and quality control"

Damascus, Syria
2-4 December 2009


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OIE Conference on Veterinary Medicinal Products in the Middle East Damascus (Syria), 2–4 December 2009

Communication and Capacity building

Regional Training Workshops of OIE National Focal Points for Veterinary Products

- Europe: 26 to 28 July 2010, Serbia
- Americas: 20 to 22 September 2010, Colombia
- Africa: 23 to 25 November 2010, South Africa
- Asia-Pacific: 28 -30 June 2011, Cambodia

Covers all main subjects on autorisation, surveillance, distribution, use and control of veterinary products



OIE National Focal Points for Veterinary Products

 **Delegates were requested to nominate focal points for :**

- Animal disease notification
- Wildlife
- Aquatic animal diseases
- Animal welfare
- Animal production food safety
- **Veterinary products**

 **Responsibilities of focal points are under the authority of the OIE Delegate**

 **Enable the OIE Delegate to more efficiently manage his/her OIE Member obligations**



OIE National Focal Points for Veterinary Products

Terms of Reference (ToRs) for focal points

- established by OIE Headquarters for all focal points

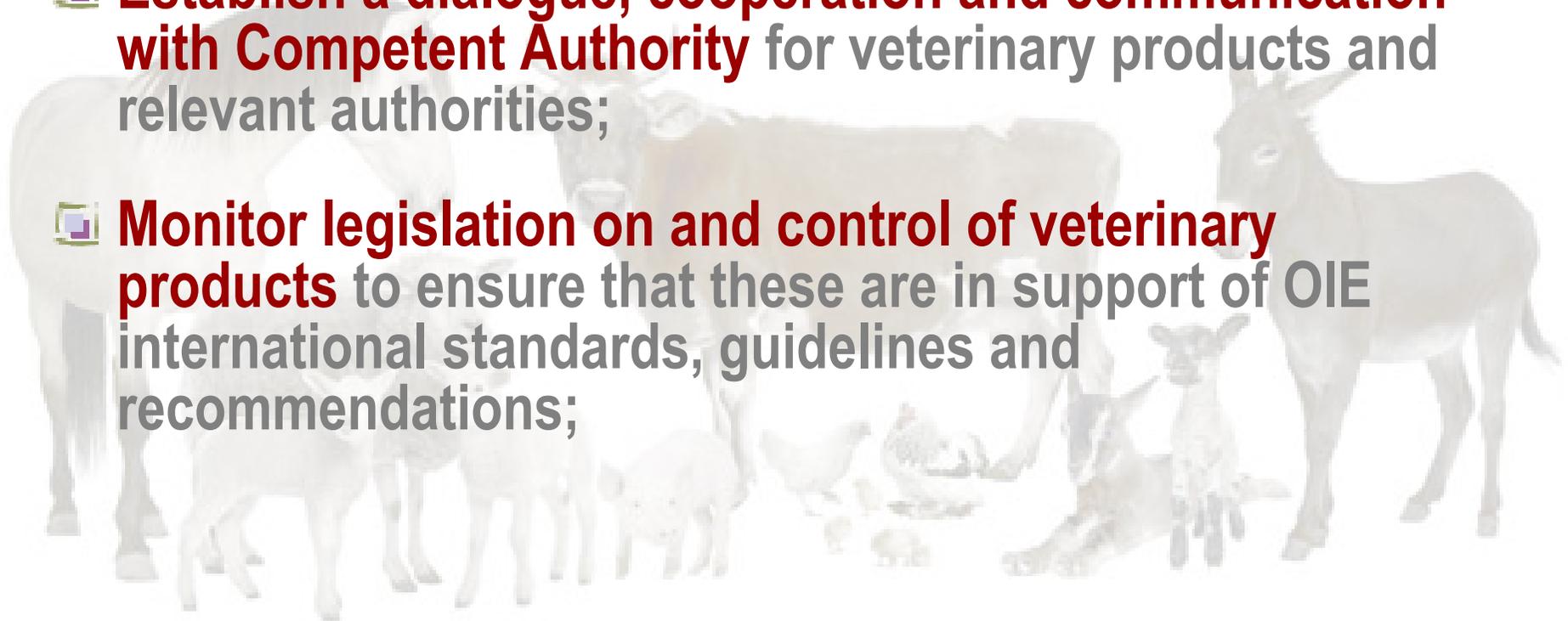
Specific ToRs on Veterinary Products

- Developed in consultation with the OIE Collaborating Centre for Veterinary Medicinal Products, AFSSA Fougères, France
- Sent to all Delegates in March 2009

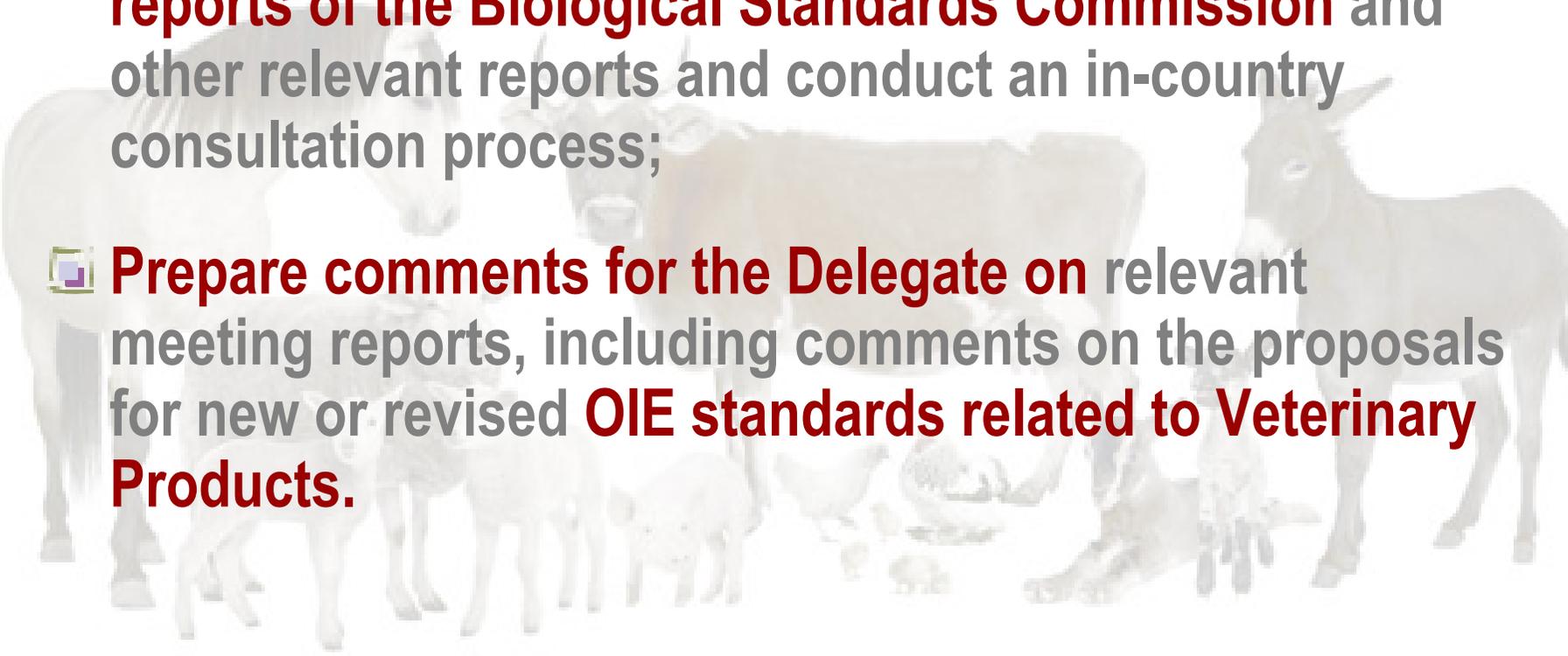


Terms of Reference for OIE National Focal Points on Veterinary Products

- ❑ **Establish a network of veterinary product experts** within his/her country or communicate with existing network;
- ❑ **Establish a dialogue, cooperation and communication with Competent Authority** for veterinary products and relevant authorities;
- ❑ **Monitor legislation on and control of veterinary products** to ensure that these are in support of OIE international standards, guidelines and recommendations;



Terms of Reference for OIE National Focal Points on Veterinary Products

- **Act as a contact point with the OIE** on matters related to veterinary products;
 - **Receive reports of the VICH activities and copies of the reports of the Biological Standards Commission** and other relevant reports and conduct an in-country consultation process;
 - **Prepare comments for the Delegate on** relevant meeting reports, including comments on the proposals for new or revised **OIE standards related to Veterinary Products.**
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Modernisation or updating of national legislation

OIE Guidelines for Veterinary Legislation

- essential elements to be covered in veterinary legislation

 **First OIE Global Conference on Veterinary Legislation:** to be held in Djerba (Tunisia), 7 December 2010

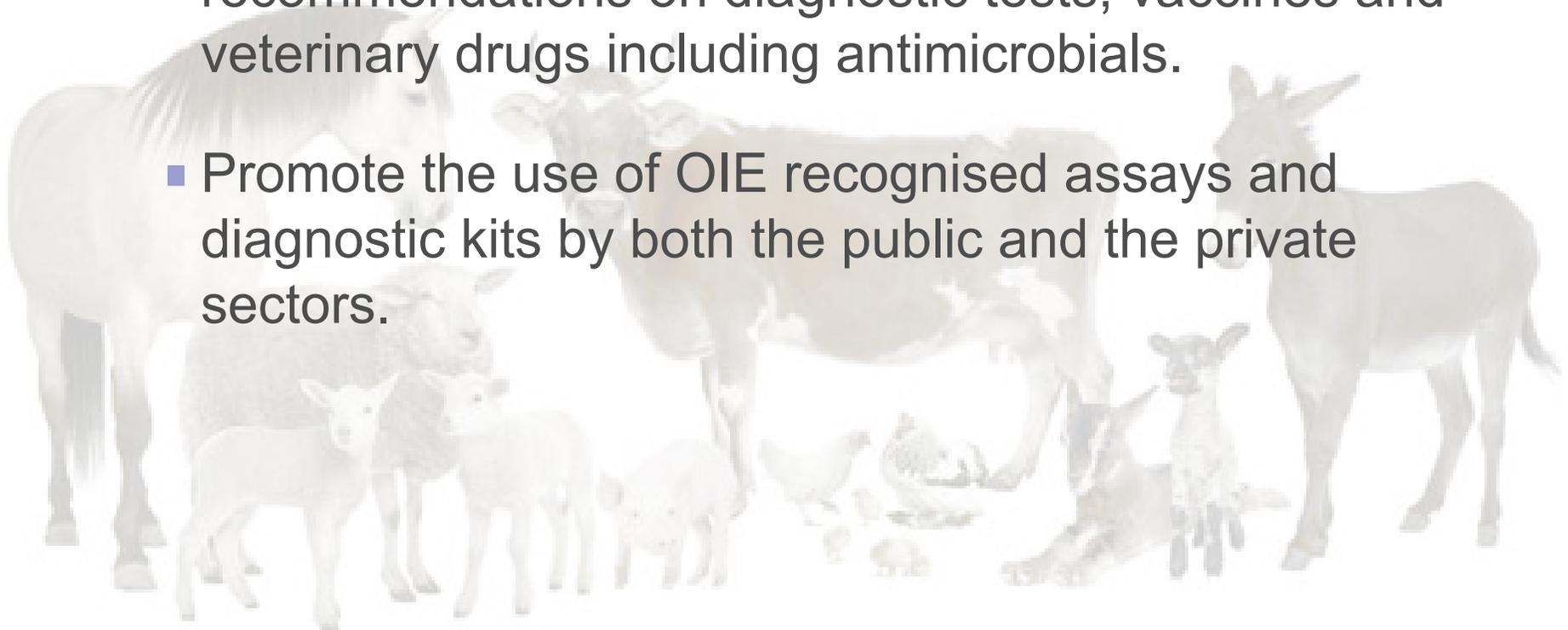
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OIE strategy for veterinary products: Concluding remarks

OIE Fifth Strategic Plan 2011 -2015 mentions explicitly the need to:

- Develop and update standards, guidelines and recommendations on diagnostic tests, vaccines and veterinary drugs including antimicrobials.
- Promote the use of OIE recognised assays and diagnostic kits by both the public and the private sectors.



OIE strategy for veterinary products: Concluding remarks (contd)

- Strengthen the **collaboration with relevant international and regional Organisations** on technical and legal issues related to veterinary products including legislation, registration, control and monitoring of use.

- **VICH** (International Cooperation on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Registration of Veterinary Medicinal Products)

- **CODEX** (Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs and the Intergovernmental Task Force on Antimicrobial Resistance).



OIE strategy for veterinary products: Concluding remarks

Key elements:

- International standards
- Harmonisation of requirements for veterinary product registration (VICH)
- National legislation
- Functional Veterinary Services
- Internationally recognised laboratories
- Training and communication



Thank you for your attention



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