OIE VACCINE BANK FOR RABIES
Vaccinating dogs today to save human lives tomorrow

HOW DOES IT WORK?

By providing high-quality vaccines, the OIE Vaccine Bank helps countries implement vaccination campaigns and contribute to the elimination of dog-mediated human rabies.

Rabies takes one life every 15 minutes, most often a child’s.

Over 95% of cases originate in bites from infected dogs.

The best way to eliminate the disease is to stop it at its animal source: dogs.

By vaccinating 70% of dog populations in at-risk areas, we can decrease the number of human cases to nearly zero.

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Protecting animals, preserving our future
OIE RABIES VACCINE BANK
Providing OIE Member Countries with high-quality dog vaccines in a timely manner, and at a pre-established low, fixed price to support their national rabies elimination strategies.

How is the Vaccine Bank financed?

Available funding dedicated to the OIE Rabies Vaccine Bank is an essential pre-requisite.

- **What do the funds cover?**
  - Vaccine production expenses;
  - Transportation costs to the beneficiary countries.

- **Who can be a donor?**
The OIE World Animal Health and Welfare Fund collects voluntary contributions from:
  - Member Countries;
  - International organisations;
  - Private foundations.

- **How are the funds distributed?**
  - Funds are earmarked for certain countries or regions, at the request of donors.
  - Donor visibility is ensured throughout the process.

How can Member Countries benefit from the Vaccine Bank?

All OIE Member Countries can request vaccines through the OIE Rabies Vaccine Bank.

- **What is the procedure?**
  - The OIE country Delegate transfers an official request for rabies vaccines to the OIE Director General;
  - If the request is considered eligible, the OIE activates the Vaccine Bank to deliver vaccines to the country.

- **How does the mechanism adapt to meet specific needs from countries?**
  - Flexible capacity: possibility to accept contributions from additional donors and consider delivering to different regions;
  - Several funding mechanisms: purchase with donor funds / direct purchase by countries with or without the support of international partner organisations / direct purchase by international partner organisations.

How are vaccines provided to Member Countries?

To set up a Vaccine Bank with an initial stock of dog rabies vaccines, an international call for tender is organised to select (a) reliable vaccine manufacturer(s).

- **How is the quality of vaccines guaranteed?**
  - A selection committee composed of external experts and OIE staff conducts an initial technical evaluation before examining the selected financial offers.
  - The competition between vaccine suppliers is reopened every few years.

- **What is expected from vaccine suppliers?**
  - Production of high-quality vaccines complying with OIE international standards;
  - Making these vaccines available to countries upon request and in a timely manner;
  - Commitment to a pre-established low fixed price throughout the contract.

The Rabies Vaccine Bank as a catalyst in designing and implementing national rabies elimination strategies

Dog vaccination campaigns are essential to eliminate rabies, but not sufficient. The OIE Rabies Vaccine Bank enables countries to focus their needs and resources on other necessary costs, such as:

- Raising awareness of the disease;
- Managing stray dog populations;
- Increasing access to treatment for humans.

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LETS VACCINATE DOGS AND SAVE HUMAN LIVES!

Since its launch in 2012, the OIE Rabies Vaccine Bank has already procured¹:

- **12.5 MILLION** doses of vaccines
- to **22 COUNTRIES**
- mainly in **ASIA** and in **AFRICA**.

Nevertheless,

- More than **2/3 of countries in the world** remain affected by rabies;
- **Tens of thousands of people** still die every year.

Thanks to:

- The support of **4 donors**
  Australia, European Union, France and Germany
- The direct purchase of **5 country projects**
  Burkina Faso, Chad, Malaysia, Mali, Singapore
- **1 International Organisation**
  World Health Organization - WHO

Donors, vaccine suppliers, governments,
You can help contribute to the eradication of rabies worldwide

¹ Data as of August 2016.