



Baltimore, Maryland, USA – June 22-24, 2015

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PANELISTS AND MODERATORS

Panel Schedule and Participants

Recent HPAI experiences and perspectives: CVO or delegate representatives of countries that have experienced an HPAI outbreak in the past three years will participate as panel members.

1. Tuesday, June 23, 2015 (10:30am – 12:00pm): Africa and Asia 1

- Moderator: Dr. Jack Shere, USDA APHIS

- **Countries represented:**
 - Egypt
 - Nigeria
 - South Africa
 - China
 - Japan

2. Tuesday, June 23, 2015 (1:00pm – 2:30pm): Asia 2

- Moderator: Dr. TJ Myers, USDA APHIS

- **Countries represented:**
 - Myanmar
 - South Korea
 - Taiwan
 - Thailand
 - Vietnam

3. Wednesday, June 24, 2015 (8:00am – 9:30 am): Europe

- Moderator: Dr. John Glisson, U.S. Poultry and Egg Association

- **Countries represented:**
 - European Union
 - Germany
 - Netherlands
 - United Kingdom

4. Wednesday, June 24, 2015 (10:30am – 12:00pm): North America

- Moderator: Dr. Gregorio Rosales, Aviagen

- **Countries represented:**
 - Canada
 - Mexico
 - United States

Panel Format

- Each panel will consist of no more than 5 panelists plus a moderator. Panelists are country CVOs or other representatives of animal health authority.
- Panelists should NOT prepare individual PowerPoint presentations. Instead, panelists should prepare to respond orally to questions in the following list in the time allowed for each question on the list.
- Each panelist will have:
 - ✓ 7 minutes maximum allowed for response on Topic #1;
 - ✓ 3 minutes maximum allowed for response on all other Topics.
- If there is still time at the end of the “**high priority questions**” the moderator has the option to use the “**lower priority questions**” for the remainder of the time.
- Each panelist and moderator will have a microphone. The moderator will sit in the center of the panel. We plan to have a low table in front of the seated participants where drinking water will be provided and notes can be placed.
- A recorder will take notes and a timekeeper will keep track of the time for panelist’s responses, notifying the panel when the allowed time has elapsed.
- The moderator will guide the discussion and ask each panelist in turn to respond to a question, and then encourage the audience to join the discussion. Hand-held wireless microphones will be available for the audience to use for their questions.
- The audience will be given the opportunity to write down questions in advance and the moderator can include these audience-contributed questions in the agenda if the panel has time to address them.
- Total time allotted to a panel session is 90 minutes.

High Priority Questions

Attempt to cover all of these questions in the 90-minute panel session

1. Topic: Country HPAI Situation Report (7 minutes per panelist)

Give a brief report and the lessons learned of the most recent outbreak of HPAI in your country.

- a. What was the suspected or known route of introduction of the virus and what risk factors were associated with spread of the virus?
- b. What sectors of poultry production were affected and what were the consequences?
- c. What control measures were used? If vaccination was or is being used please provide:
 - What is the exit strategy for discontinuing the use of vaccination?
 - What constitutes adequate surveillance for avian influenza for a country using avian influenza vaccine?

2. Topic: Zoning for trade continuity during HPAI outbreaks (3 minutes per panelist)

Describe how your country uses zoning to continue trade during avian influenza outbreaks.

- a. What situations are best suited to a zoning approach?
- b. How do we make effective and timely zoning decisions that balance an appropriate level of protection, continuity of trade, and food security?
- c. Do you recommend changes or additions to OIE Code related to establishing a zone or compartment?

3. Topic: HPAI Prevention Programs (3 minutes per panelist)

Tell us what your country's poultry industries are doing to prevent introduction of HPAI in their flocks.

- a. What is your government is doing to prevent introduction of HPAI in commercial flocks?
- b. Do you recommend changes or additions to OIE Code related to a region regaining freedom after an outbreak or discontinuing a vaccination program?

4. Topic: Rulemaking process for HPAI import restrictions (3 minutes per panelist)

Describe the process your country's animal health authority uses to make rules and restrictions for importing poultry and poultry products and if you recommend changes or additions to OIE Code.

- a. How do you handle transit of live poultry or hatching eggs through HPAI affected areas?
- b. What is your process for importing poultry or poultry products from regions that practice vaccination?
- c. Explain your country's status if the infection is in commercial vs noncommercial flocks?

Lower Priority Questions

Use these topics if the panel has time to discuss (3 minutes maximum allowed for response per panelist).

5. Topic: Transit risk

- a. What is the risk of HPAI exposure to poultry or poultry products transiting HPAI affected areas?
- b. What are reasonable methods to mitigate the risk of AI transmission from poultry or poultry products transiting HPAI affected areas?

6. Topic: Risk of introducing HPAI from importing poultry products

- a. In your opinion, what is the risk to your country's poultry flocks from imported poultry meat, table eggs, and other poultry products for human consumption?

7. Topic: Risk of introducing HPAI from importing live birds and hatching eggs

- a. What is the risk to your country's poultry flocks from imported day-old chicks or hatching eggs?

8. Topic: Use of vaccination in HPAI eradication

- a. Does your country use avian influenza vaccine? What is the goal of the vaccination program?
- b. What is the exit strategy for discontinuing the use of vaccination?
- c. What constitutes adequate surveillance for avian influenza for a country using avian influenza vaccine?

9. Topic: Length of time to regain freedom

- a. How long does your country require a region to be free of HPAI before imports of live poultry are allowed?

10. Topic: Communicating with trading partners regarding HPAI activities and import conditions

- a. How does your country communicate with trading partners regarding avian influenza response and control activities?
- b. What is the best way for a trading partner to communicate with your animal health officials regarding trade policies and import conditions for poultry and poultry products?

11. Topic: Zoning arrangements between trading partners

- a. Do you have agreements with trading partners regarding how zoning decisions are made and accepted by the importing country?

12. Topic: Current HPAI epidemiology research

- a. What research projects are ongoing or recently completed that were intended to answer questions about routes of introduction of avian influenza virus into poultry flocks in your country?