Animal & Human Health for the Environment And Development (AHEAD)

Facilitating Collaboration to Address Challenges at One Health Interfaces

Description	AHEAD is a convening, facilitative mechanism, working to allow different and often competing sectors to come to the same table and find collaborative ways forward to address challenges at the interface of wildlife health, livestock health, and human health and livelihoods. AHEAD convenes stakeholders, helps delineate conceptual frameworks to underpin planning, management and research, and provides technical support and resources for projects stakeholders identify as priorities. AHEAD primarily focuses its efforts on competition over grazing and water resources, disease mitigation, zoonoses, local and global food security, and other potential sources of conflict related to land-use decision-making in the face of resource limitations.
Purpose	AHEAD focuses on several themes of critical importance to the future of animal agriculture, human health, and wildlife health to holistically address the landscape-level nexus represented by the triangle of wildlife health, domestic animal health, and human health and livelihoods as underpinned by environmental stewardship.
Scope	Regional – Southern and East Africa
Primary Funders	The Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS), USAID, The Rockefeller Foundation
Participants & Key Collaborators	There are more than 60 international collaborators including regional governmental organizations and ministries, transfrontier conservation areas (TFCAs), national parks, university collaborators, the African Union-Interafrican Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR), the Southern African Development Community (SADC), UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), etc.
Definition of One Health	See the 2004 Manhattan Principles on "One World, One Health" in appendices.
Monitoring & Evaluation Strategy	AHEAD initiatives develop annual targets for progress on their individual projects. Progress is documented with written reports which are available on the AHEAD website. There is an ongoing effort to develop indicators that more closely track the policy dimensions that characterize much of AHEAD's work.
Sources of Information	AHEAD Website: http://www.wcs-ahead.org/
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