**Annex 3. Item 4. – Work plan and priorities**

**WORK PLAN FOR THE AQUATIC ANIMALS COMMISSION**

**(Including provisional timelines for commenting and adoption)**

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| **Monitor emerging diseases and consider any required actions**  | On-going  |
| **Glossary definitions: ‘Competent Authority’, ‘Veterinary Authority’ and ‘Aquatic Animal Health Services’**  | Review comments (1st round)  | Review comments (2nd round)  | Propose for adoption  |
| **Glossary definitions: ‘aquatic animal products’**  | Reviewed usage in the *Aquatic Code* and present amendments for comments  | Review comments (1st round)  | Propose for adoption  |
| **Chapter 1.3. Diseases listed by WOAH – Listing of infection with infectious spleen and kidney necrosis virus species**  | Review comments (2nd round)  | Review comments (3rd round)  | Propose for adoption  |
| **Article 1.1.5. of Chapter 1.1. Notification of diseases and provision of epidemiological information**  | Review comments (1st round)  | Review comments (2nd round)  | Propose for adoption  |
| **Chapter 4.3. Application of Compartmentalisation**  | Present discussion paper for comment  | Review responses to discussion paper  |   |
| **Draft new Chapter 4.X. Emergency disease preparedness**  | Present draft chapter for comment  | Review comments (1st round)  |   |
| **Draft new Chapter 4.Y. Disease outbreak management**  | Present draft chapter for comment  | Review comments (1st round)  |   |
| **Draft new Chapter 4.Z. Control of pathogenic agents in traded milt and fertilised eggs of fish**  | Present draft chapter for comment  | Review comments (1st round)  |   |
| **Chapters 5.6. to 5.9. (Chapters 5.4. to 5.7. in *Terrestrial Code*)**  | –  | Review TCC *ad hoc* Group report and review Chapters 5.4. and 5.6. of *Terrestrial Code* out for comment  |   |
| **Draft new Chapter 5.X. Movement of ornamental aquatic animals**  | Present draft chapter for comment  | Review comments (1st round)  |   |
| **Chapter 6.2. Principals for responsible and prudent use of the antimicrobial agents in aquatic animal**  | Update from TCC on the on-going revision to *Terrestrial Code* Chapter 6.10.  | Update from TCC on the on-going revision to *Terrestrial Code* Chapter 6.10.  |   |
| **Susceptible Species Assessment of new evidence for previously assessed diseases (as necessary)**  | On-going  |
| **Safe commodities** **Articles 8.X.3. – Amphibian**  | Review comments (2nd round)  | Review comments (3rd round)  | Present for adoption  |
| **Safe commodities** **Articles 9.X.3. – Crustacean**  | Review comments (1st round)  | Review comments (2nd round)  | Present for adoption  |
| **Safe commodities** **Articles 10.X.3. – Fish**  | Review comments (1st round)  | Review comments (2nd round)  | Present for adoption  |
| **Safe commodities** **Articles 11.X.3. – Mollusc**  | Review comments (2nd round)  | Review comments (3rd round)  | Present for adoption  |
| **Assessment of default periods in Articles X.X.4.-X.X.8. for disease-specific chapters**  | –  | Present assessment of default periods for comment  |   |
| **Model Articles X.X.5. and X.X.6. for disease-specific chapters**  | Present amendments for comments  | Review comments (1st round)  | Propose for adoption  |
| **Susceptible Species – Crustacean diseases – Articles 9.X.1. and 9.X.2. for:** **–** **Infection with decapod iridescent virus** **–** **Infection with white spot syndrome virus** **–** **Infection with *Aphanomyces astaci* (Crayfish plague)**  | DIV1:  Review *ad hoc* Group report and present amended articles for comment  | DIV1: Review comments (1st round)  | DIV1: Present for adoption  |
| –  | WSSV:  Review *ad hoc* Group report and present amended articles for comment  |   |
| **Article 10.6.2. of Chapter 10.6. Infection with infectious haematopoietic necrosis virus**  | Present amendments for comments  | Review comments (1st round)  | Propose for adoption  |
| **Susceptible Species – Fish diseases – Articles 10.X.1. and 10.X.2. for:** **–** **Infection with Tilapia lake virus** **–** **Infection with *Aphanomyces invadans* (Epizootic ulcerative syndrome)**  | TiLV:  Review *ad hoc* Group report and present amended articles for comment  | TiLV: Review comments (1st round)  | TiLV: Present for adoption  |
| –  | EUS:  Review interim *ad hoc* Group report  |   |
| **Susceptible species – Mollusc diseases – Articles 11.X.1. and 11.X.2. for:** **–** **Infection with *Perkinsus marinus*** **–** **Infection with *Perkinsus olseni*** **–** **Infection with *Xenohaliotis californiensis***  | *Perkinsus marinus*: Review comments (1st round)  | *Perkinsus marinus*: Review comments (2nd round)  | *Perkinsus marinus*: Present for adoption  |
| *Perkinsus olseni*:  Review interim *ad hoc* Group report  | *Perkinsus olseni*: Review *ad hoc* Group report and present amended articles for comment  |   |

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| **Chapter 1.1.1. Quality management in veterinary testing laboratories**  | Receive update from BSC  | Provide comments to BSC  |   |
| **Chapter 1.1.2. Validation of diagnostic assays for infectious diseases of aquatic animals**  | –  | Review first draft  |   |
| **Chapter 2.2.0. General provisions – Crustaceans**  | Review comments (2nd round)  | Review comments (3rd round)  | Propose for adoption  |
| **Chapter 2.2.2. Infection with *Aphanomyces astaci* (Crayfish plague)**  | Review comments (2nd round)  | Review comments (3rd round)  | Propose for adoption  |
| **Chapter 2.2.6. Infection with *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* *nodavirus* (white tail disease)**  | Review comments (1st round)  | Review comments (2nd round)  | Propose for adoption  |
| **Chapter 2.2.9. Infection with yellow head virus genotype 1**  | Review comments (1st round)  | Review comments (2nd round)  | Propose for adoption  |
| **Chapter 2.2.X. Infection with decapod iridescent virus 1**  | Review updated draft and present for Member comments  | Review comments (1st round)  |   |
| **Chapter 2.3.9. Infection with spring viraemia of carp virus**  | –  | Review validation or publication of real-time PCR  |   |
| **Chapter 2.3.X. Infection with tilapia lake virus**  | –  | Review updated draft and present for Member comments  |   |
| **Chapter 2.4.0. General Information**  | Review updated draft and present for comments  | Review comments (1st round)  |   |
| **Chapter 2.4.1. Infection with abalone herpes virus**  | Review updated draft and present for comments  | Review comments (1st round)  |   |
| **Chapter 2.4.4. Infection with *Marteilia refringens***  | Review updated draft and present for comments  | Review comments (1st round)  |   |
| **Chapter 2.4.3. Infection with *Bonamia ostreae***  | –  | Review updated draft and present for comments  |   |
| **Sections 2.2.1. and 2.2.2. of Chapter 2.4.5. Infection with *Perkinsus marinus***  | Review comments (1st round)  | Review comments (2nd round)  | Propose for adoption  |