**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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| ***Aquatic Code*** | | | |
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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 |