# One Health Belgium Network Launch event Nov 5th 2019 Introduction



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## Why this initiative?

One Health: increased attention, science, policy and society

Recent CBD decisions: national One Health strategies

WHO – CBD: One Health guidance

Join forces in Belgium:

Connecting health & biodiversity expertise

Connecting with **societal sectors** (e.g. economy)

Belgian Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) plan - in a One Health perspective



#### What is One Health?

2010 FAO, OIE & WHO: first integration human & animal health

2015 WHO – CBD: human & animal & ecosystem health + nature based health risks & benefits

2015 Structural One Health (Wallace et al.): One Health & fundamental structural political and economic causes

2016 European One Health / EcoHealth workshop Brussels: need for European OneHealth / EcoHealth networks; transdisciplinary perspective

One health in Belgium: Prevent – Detect – Respond















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Convention on **Biological Diversity** 

















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#### Website & earlier activities





EUROPEAN ONEHEALTH/ECOHEALTH WORKSHOP REPORT Brussels, 6-7 October 2016



WORKSHOP ORGANISED BY THE BIODIVERSITY & HEALTH COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE COORDINATED BY THE BELGIAN BIODIVERSITY PLATFORM











# European background – Belgian chapter?

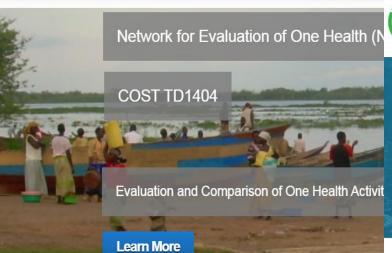


AND PARTNERS

PROGRAMME +

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**Regional Chapters** 

### **European Ecohealth International Chapter**

Discussions to establish a European Chapter of Ecohealth International have been taking place since September 2018, with the current ecohealth international Board signalling support for the Network for Evaluation of One Health (NEOH) members to present the possibility at a recent conference in Bologna. The idea was well received by both the NEOH Management Committee and the NEOH membership in attendance and there is a view to transfer the vision of NEOH from a focus on evaluation to becoming a Network for Ecohealth and One Health across Europe and in countries where the network has research programs and projects on the ground. Current Director Thomas Janisch and Dr. John Berezowski are charged with a new task: moving this forward and making it reality.

For more information on the European Chapter of ecohealth international, please contact: europe@ecohealthinternational.org



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#### One Health BE Network definition

Survey outcome:

"Belgian initiatives and organizations connecting the diversity of citizens, sciences and policies to operationalize integrated, efficient and sustainable approaches of human, animal, plant and environment health(s), taking into account other sectors and global trends".





# Next steps

**Coordination** committee

Scoping of One Health ideas, needs for science, policy, practice

Follow up on the launch meeting: work on the outcomes of the break out sessions – report/publications



# Network name voting

- 1. Belgian One Health network
- 2. Belgian One World One Health network
  - 3. Belgian Diversity in Health(s) network
- 4. Belgian One Diversity of Health network
  - 5. Belgian One Health Ecohealth chapter



#### Rest of the programme

**14.00** - NEOH definition/work (Simon Rüegg, Senior Researcher at University of Zurich, Section of Epidemiology)

**14.30** - Presentation of organizations working in a One Health perspective in Belgium:

Martine Delanoy: Safety and Environment working in a "One World One Health" perspective

Sarah Gabriel: One Health teaching and research; UGent example

Nicolas Antoine Moussiaux: One health in research; Ulg and ITM example

Hans Keune & Michelle Plusquin: Nature based One Health Benefits; UA-UH example

Hein Imberechts: One Health EJP, A European network

Véronique Renault: The One health approach by VSF-DZG Belgium

Pierre Ryckmans: The social side of One Health: IdR- SV example

15.00 - Coffee break - 15.15 - Parallel Break out sessions:

What are important topical issues to work on?

What do you expect from the network?

What can you do for the network?

16.00 - Plenary reporting break out - Network name voting

**16.30** - Network and Drink

