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# BTV surveillance and outbreak management ITALY

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## **BTV surveillance and outbreak management**

- The surveillance system is based on a strong combination of clinical, serological and entomological surveillance.
- The controls are carried out according to the approved BT monitoring plan.
- Moreover, it has been put in place an Extraordinary monitoring plan to manage properly the outbreak in Veneto region.

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- The extension of the restricted zones and the design of the extraordinary monitoring plan are based on a comprehensive risk analysis.
- Italy receives a large number of animals of the susceptible species, sheep, goats and calves.
- It is therefore a Country at risk of introducing new strains of BTV.

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- Mass vaccination campaign: costs and benefits?
- Different options are considered at regional level
- September 30 : Meeting with regional competent authorities and private stakeholders.
- Reflection on changes on the national strategy
- EFSA opinion expected by end of January 2017 (ToR 1-2-3) and 30 June 2017 (ToR 4-5)

Thanks for your attention