



**Request for  
Scientific and technical assistance  
for a coordinated surveillance system  
under the One Health approach  
for cross-border pathogens  
that threaten the Union**

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## Member States

- Identify existing sample collection modalities or setting up new ones with a novel One Health approach
- Carry out diagnostic procedures
- Organise national data collection, collation and national data sharing
- Carry out preliminary national assessment (across animal, public, environmental health in a One Health approach)
  - identify national risks and priorities for the future
- Share data with EFSA
- Contribute to yearly re-prioritisation exercise of EFSA/ECDC
  - identify current/ future health risks for the Union
- Address residual capacity/awareness building needs

## EFSA

- Design the surveillance system
  - in coordination with ECDC, with active participation of Member States
  - synergy with relevant actions carried out at international level
- Carry out a risk assessment for identifying priorities and methodologies of the surveillance system
  - in coordination with ECDC, with active participation of Member States
- Establish a coordination mechanism to ensure
  - regular exchange of knowledge
  - threats reporting
  - joint undertaking of risk assessment by animal and human health surveillance experts at Union and Member State level

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By Jan 2023

2024 - 2026

## Design

Design of an EU coordinated surveillance system under the One Health approach for cross-border zoonotic pathogens that may threaten the Union

## Implement

Implement the surveillance system and collect surveillance data

## Review

Regular risk assessment based on surveillance data to review the surveillance priorities and methodologies

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Review scientific literature on surveillance for cross-border zoonoses in animals and the environment



Prioritisation exercise to identify priority zoonotic risks for the EU, its neighbouring areas and beyond, to be included in the surveillance



Map existing structured systematic EU surveillance initiatives for zoonoses in animals and the environment



Recommend and agree options for sustainable surveillance strategies for early detection of emerging and re-emerging zoonoses in Member States, defining all relevant traits of the surveillance system, based on relevant standards and examples identified

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## Implement the surveillance system and collect surveillance data

Define the data model based on SSD and other relevant standards (e.g., SIGMA)

Develop/Adapt a data collection framework

Develop tool for automatic generation of standard surveillance result reports

Develop platform for the exchange, discussion and joint assessments of surveillance results

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Regular risk assessment based on surveillance data to review the surveillance priorities and methodologies

Assess surveillance data



Repeat prioritization exercise



Adjust surveillance systems

# Tentative Timelines

Literature review for surveillance system descriptions

Map of existing surveillance systems

Prioritization exercise

Definition of surveillance system traits

Data model

Data collection framework

Automatic report generation

Information exchange platform

Result exchange, discussion, assessment

Re-prioritization exercise

Result exchange, discussion, assessment

Re-prioritization exercise

Result exchange, discussion, assessment

2022

2023

2024

2025

2026

# Next steps

- |         |   |
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| March   | Develop work plan   |
|         | Develop protocols for tasks for review, mapping and prioritisation and start work |
| April   | Present high-level proposal to EFSA Advisory Forum meeting (7/04)                 |
| June    | Discuss project with EFSA's AHAW Network (MS RA)                                  |
| October | Prioritisation workshop   |





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