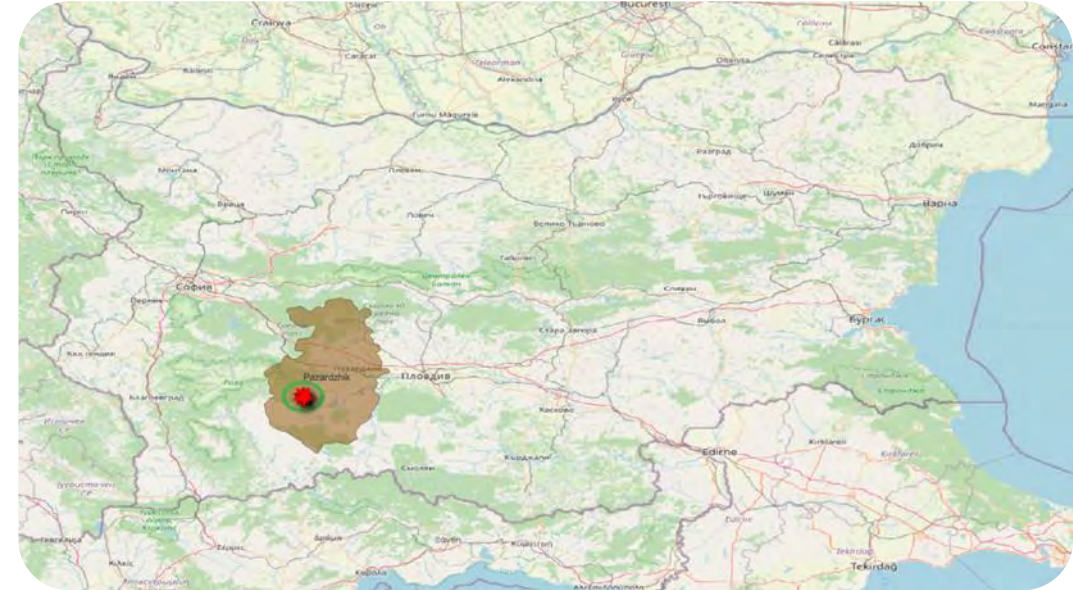


PESTE DES PETITS RUMINANTS – epidemiological situation in Bulgaria



Overview of the situation

- Location: Velingrad town, Pazardzhik region
- Date of suspicion: 20.11.2024
- Date of confirmation: 25.11.2024 by PCR and ELISA -> results confirmed by EURL
- Holding info: 5 holdings belonging to the same family, animals kept together, common grazing, extensive system, 1760 animals
- Clinical symptoms: Mortality and abortions reported by registered veterinarians, mild clinical symptoms in several animals – increased temperature in some, discharges from the eyes/diarrhea and depression in others, cough in lambs



PPR outbreak location in Velingrad, Pazardzhik region



Overview of the situation

- Appeal to the court of the measures imposed by the BFSA -> currently the implementation of the culling is put on hold
- Second sampling was carried out, requested by the owners -> confirmation of the positive results by NRL
- Strong negative public reaction
- EUVET mission carried out on 17-19 Dec

Current measures

- Establishing protection and surveillance zone with ban of movement except for slaughter within the zones -> to be expanded to 5 km PZ and 20 km SZ
- Establishing further restriction zone – the entire Pazardzhik region + certain municipalities from Blagoevgrad region, Smolyan region, Sofia-district region
- Movement controls applied
- Epizootic commission and BFSA and MAF joint meetings in Pazardzhik region
- Meeting of the Central Epizootic Council to the Prime Minister
- Common measures with the law-enforcement bodies (police, gendarmerie) in place

Surveillance activities

- Started from the 20 km zone in Jan 2025

Total no. of settlements	No. of settlements checked	Total no. of holdings	Total no. of active holdings	Total no. of animals	No. of holdings checked	%	Refusal for clinical examination at the moment	%	No. of animals checked	%
25	9	228	177	13188	20	11,3	61	34,5	1791	13,6

Thank you!



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