



# Update on avian influenza

**PAFF Meeting**  
**28 February – 1 March 2018**

## HPAI in poultry, captive birds & wild birds 01/10/2016 -28/02/2018

MEMBER STATE	WILD BIRDS	POULTRY	CAPTIVE BIRDS
<b>GERMANY</b>	1261	92	15
FRANCE	72	486	3
ITALY	24	83	
<b>NETHERLANDS</b>	186 (+3)	10 (+1)	11 (+1)
BELGIUM	4	2	13
LUXEMBOURG			4
<b>UNITED KINGDOM</b>	81 (+42)	13	
<b>IRELAND</b>	10 (+1)		
DENMARK	77	1	1
GREECE	12	6	
SPAIN	3	10	
<b>PORTUGAL</b>	1		
AUSTRIA	21	2	1
<b>FINLAND</b>	14		1
<b>SWEDEN</b>	38 (+1)	4	2
<b>CYPRUS</b>	1		
CZECH REPUBLIC	49	38	1
HUNGARY	196	240	5
POLAND	303	65	
<b>SLOVENIA</b>	273		
BULGARIA	20	76	2
<b>LITHUANIA</b>	13		
ROMANIA	143	45	2
SLOVAKIA	252	9	2
CROATIA	48	11	
<b>Total</b>	<b>3149</b>	<b>1194</b>	<b>64</b>

Member States with outbreaks/ cases in 2018 (*incl.in total*)

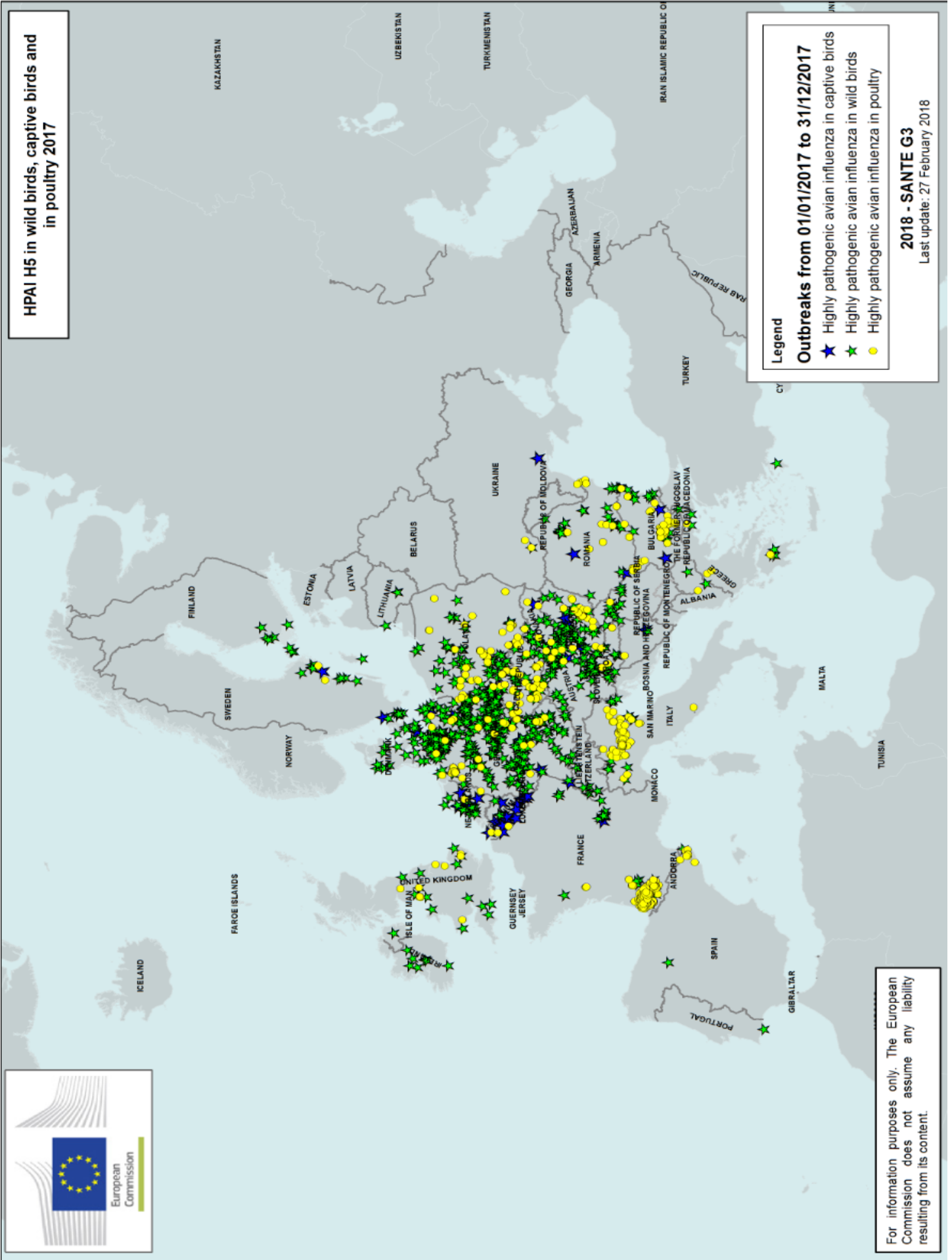
Poultry

Wild birds

Captive birds

Only findings in wild birds

**HPAI H5 in wild birds, captive birds and in poultry 2017**



**Legend**

**Outbreaks from 01/01/2017 to 31/12/2017**

- ★ Highly pathogenic avian influenza in captive birds
- ★ Highly pathogenic avian influenza in wild birds
- Highly pathogenic avian influenza in poultry

**2018 - SANTE G3**

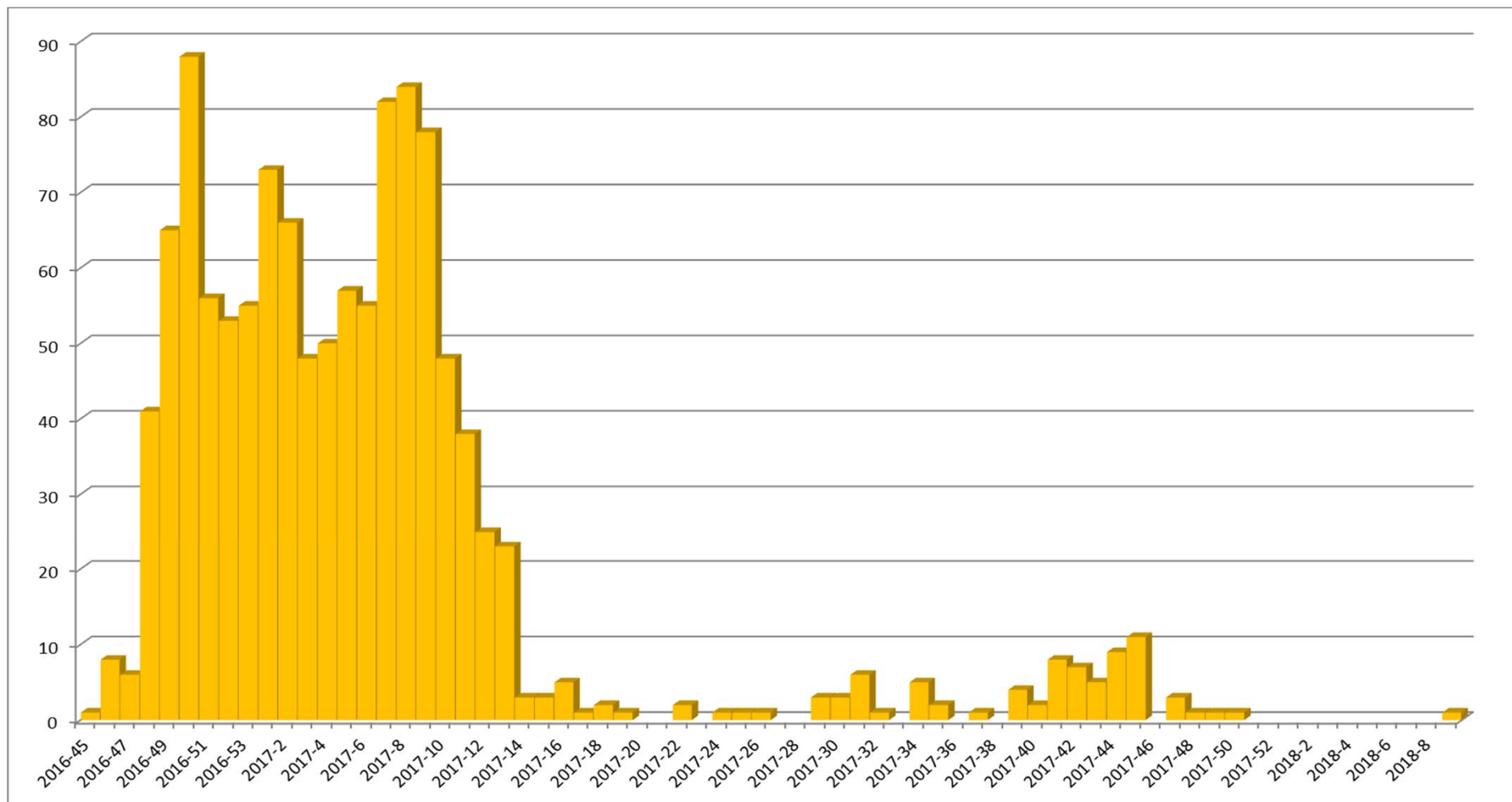
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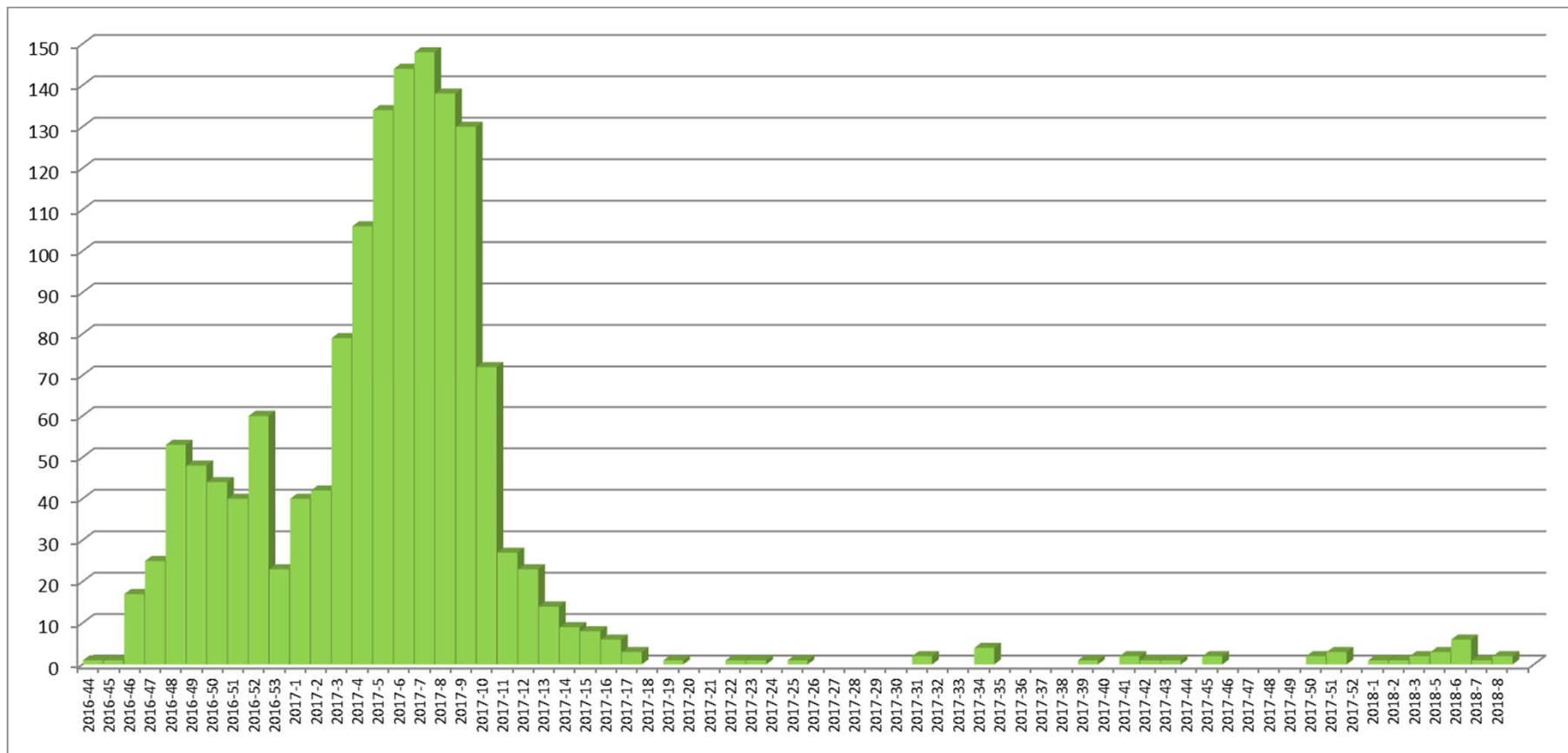
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## Weekly epidemic curve for HPAI H5 outbreaks in poultry reported via ADNS (01/10/2016 - 28/02/2018)

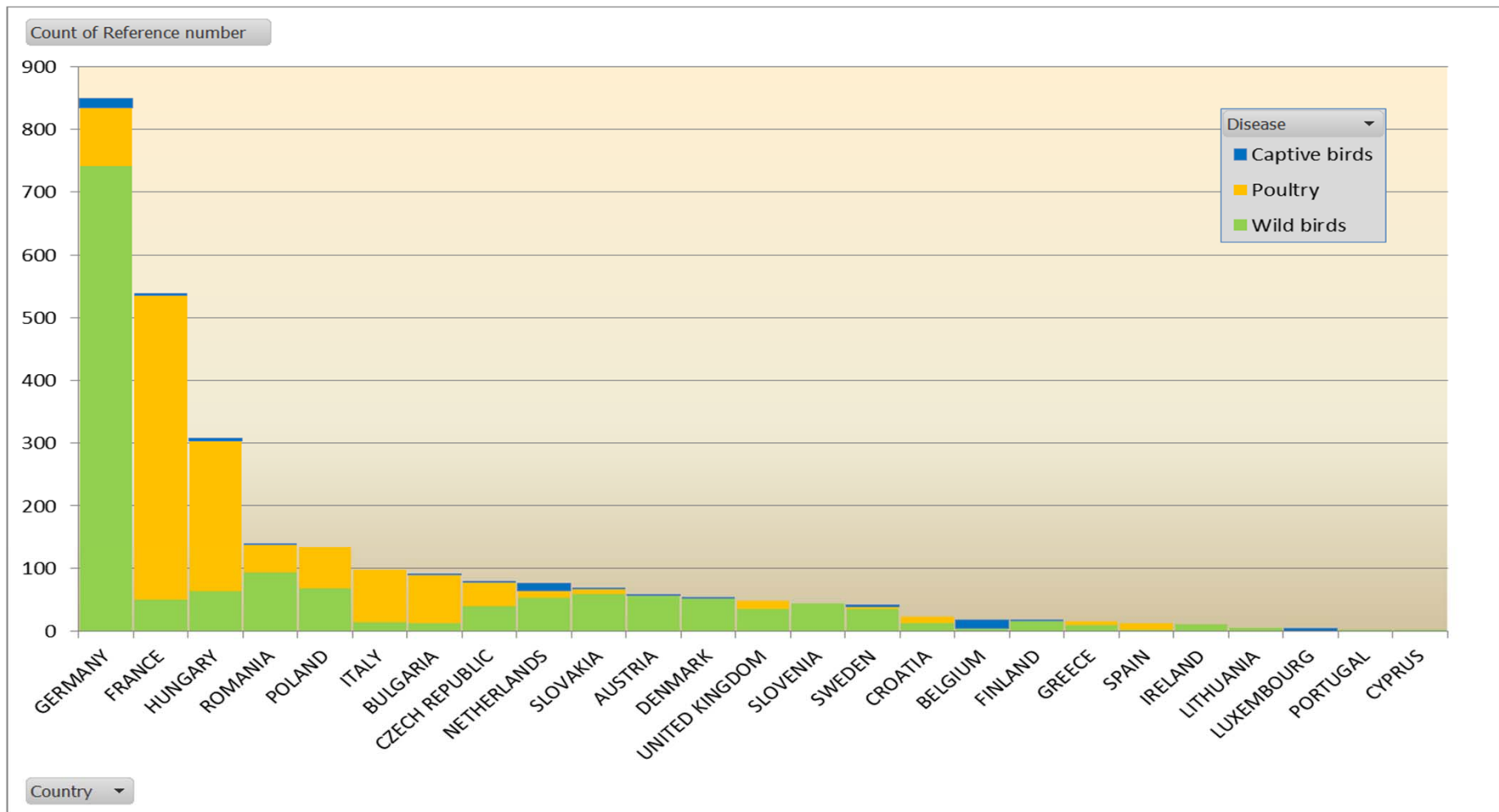


## Weekly epidemic curve for HPAI H5 findings in wild birds reported via ADNS (01/10/2016-28/02/2018)





## Number of outbreaks in poultry, captive birds and detections in wild birds per Member State reported by ADNS (01/10/2016 - 28/02/2018)





## **EU: H5N6 HPAI virus characteristics**

**HPAI H5N8:** predominant strain in 2016/17 (Italy)

Very small extent H5N5, H5N6, H5N1)

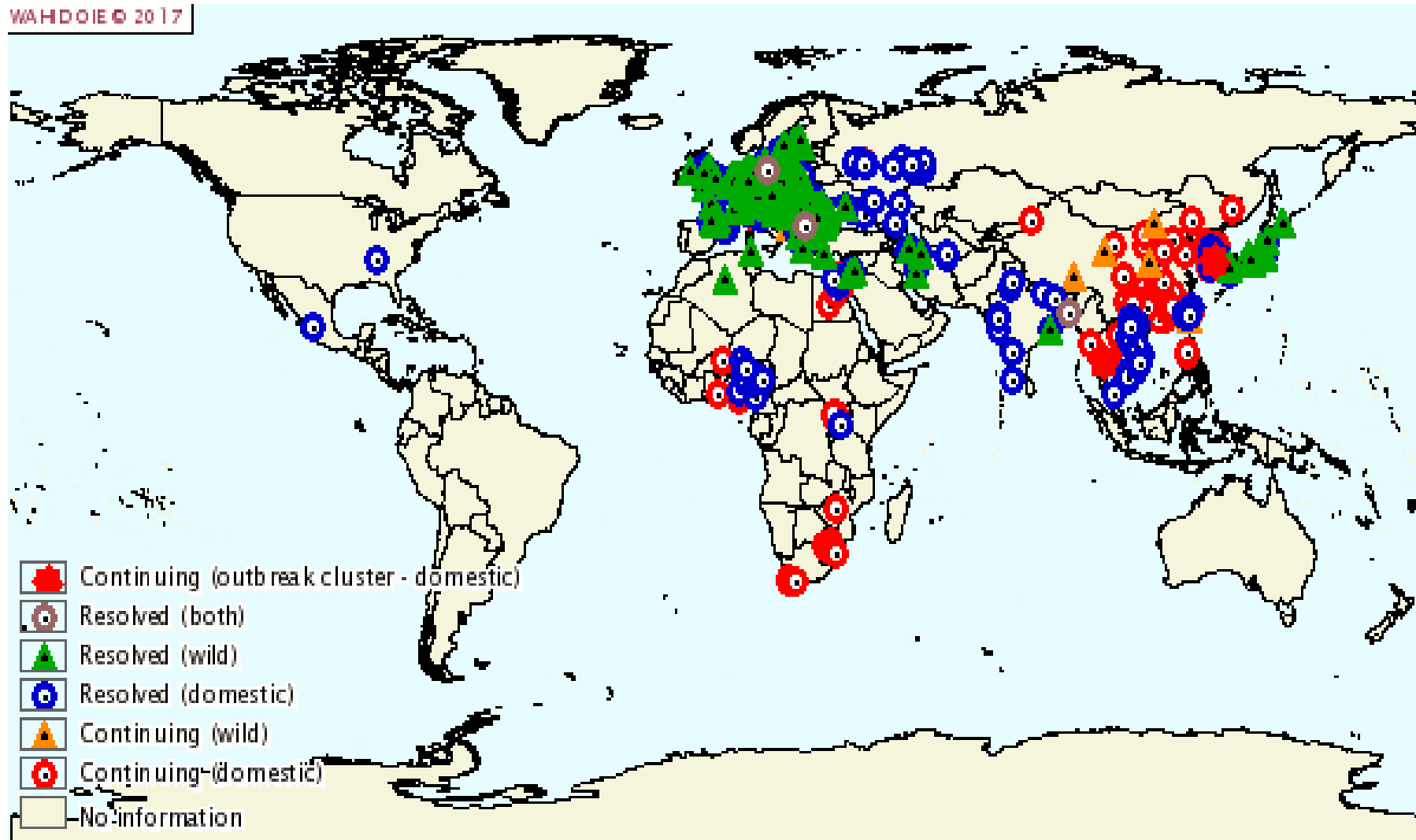
Genetic analysis by the EU Reference Laboratory for avian influenza shows that:

- European strains **can be differentiated from strains associated with zoonotic infection in Asia**
- They **do not carry any virulence markers** strongly associated with human infection risk
- To date, there are **no reported human infections** with this particular genetic sub-lineage of H5N6 HPAI



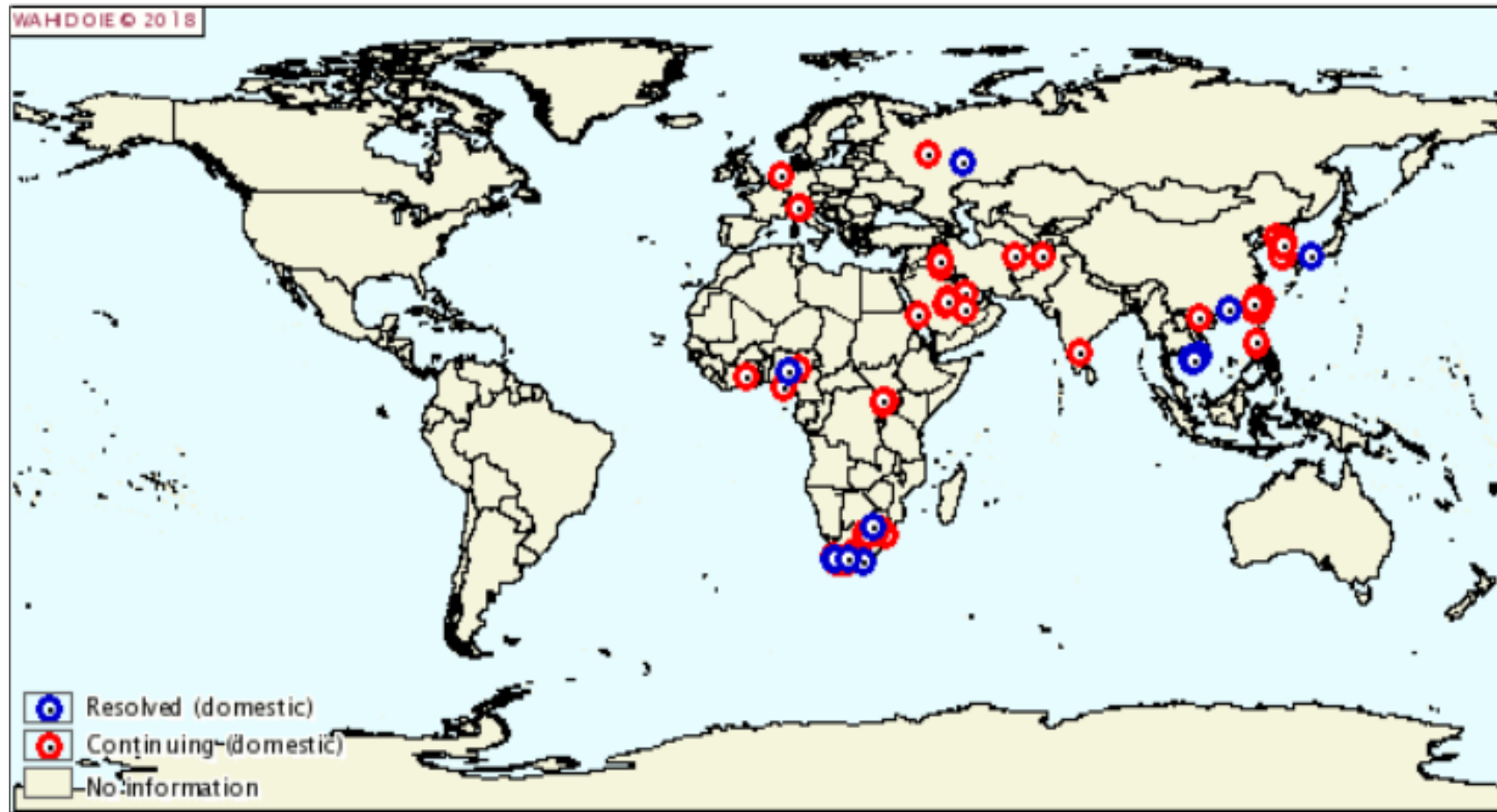
# HPAI outbreaks worldwide 2017

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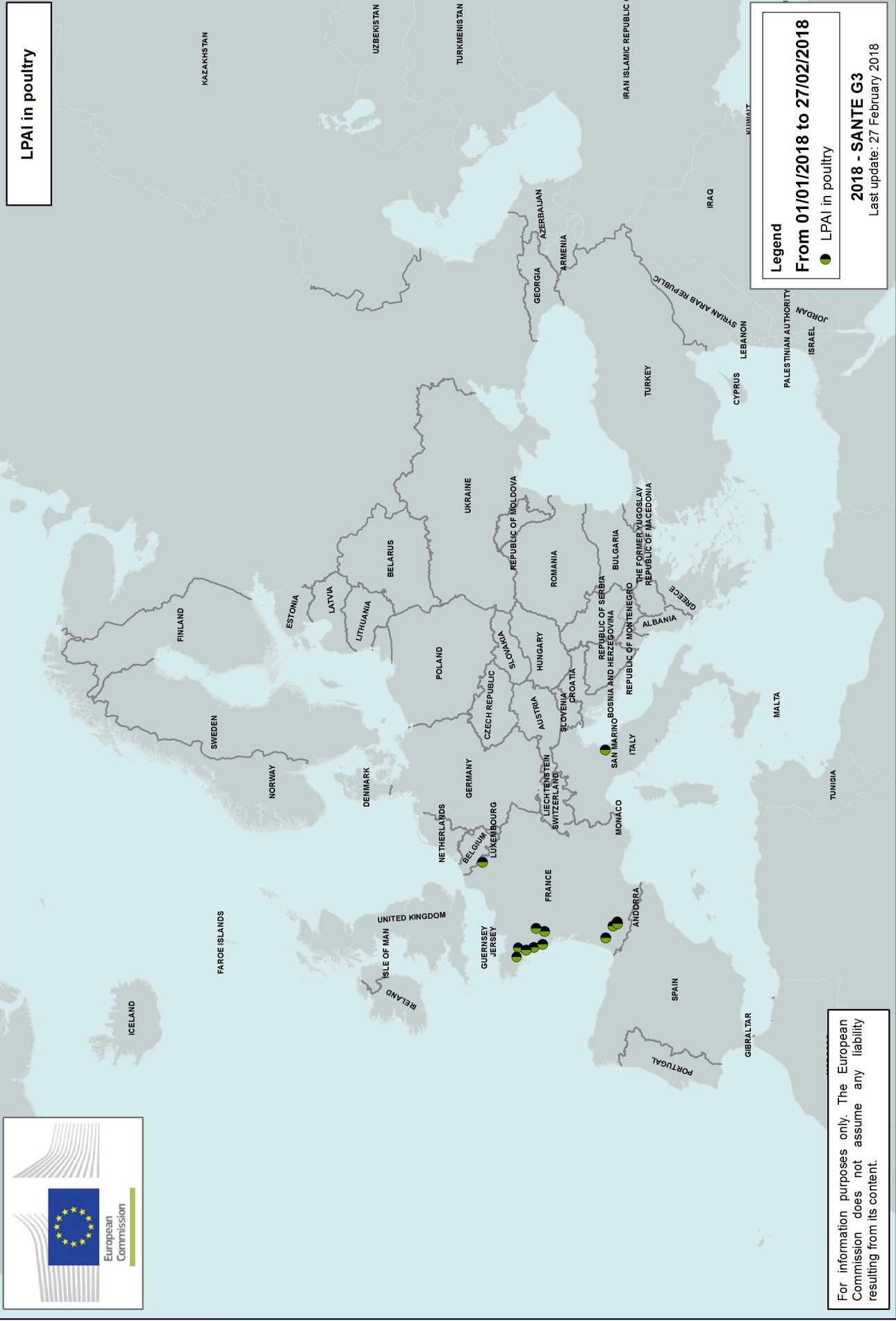


## HPAI worldwide

01/01-28/02/2018



**HPAI H5N6** of European origin is co-circulating in S. Korea  
**A (H7N4):** China first detection worldwide in a human (contact to backyard poultry, recovered). CN CDC states that unrelated to H7N9  
**HPAI H9N2:** Ghana first occurrence of HP, LPA widely spread in Morocco, Egypt, Senegal – to be confirmed by OIE Reference laboratory



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## AI WG meeting

15/02

- ***EURL update – recent developments on AI***
- ***EFSA's opinion on AI, quarterly reports, collection and analysis of AI surveillance data as of 1/2019***

Annual report 2016:

[https://ec.europa.eu/food/sites/food/files/animals/docs/ad\\_control-measures\\_ai\\_surv-rslt\\_pltry-wld-brds\\_2016.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/food/sites/food/files/animals/docs/ad_control-measures_ai_surv-rslt_pltry-wld-brds_2016.pdf)

- ***Surveillance for AI in poultry and wild birds***
  - *Objectives, Member States' examples of risk based surveillance, early detection*
- ***Biosecurity - Good practises, incentives, evaluation***
- ***AI vaccination - available tools and drawbacks, further research needed, possible needs?***



# Proposed distinction between captive bird vs. poultry holding

***Number of captive birds kept***

***And prevailing risk factors e.g.:***

- Location in high density poultry area
- Selling of eggs or meat to commercial distributors
- Participation in exhibitions and fairs
- Contacts to the commercial sector (staff, vehicles)
- Virus characteristics (new strain?)

***Final judgement up to the veterinary authority***



# Scientific advice on avian influenza

## Animal health:

### European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)

10/2017: Publication of scientific opinion on AI and two quarterly scientific reports (10/2016-11/2017) on the situation in the EU and world-wide:

<https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/press/news/171016>

## Human health:

### European Center for disease prevention and control (ECDC)

<https://ecdc.europa.eu/en/avian-influenza-humans/threats-and-outbreaks/risk-assessments>



**Thank you for your attention**

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