

Meeting on AI Surveillance and Preparedness in the Caribbean

Ball Room
Ambassador Hotel
Long Circular, St. James,
Trinidad

4th - 5th April 2006

AGENDA

DAY 2 – Tuesday 4th April 2006

- Session 2: Economic and Public Health Impact of Avian Influenza** – Chairperson -Carol Thomas, Regional Specialist Agricultural Health and Food Safety, IICA
- 8:30 - 8:50 Impact of Avian Influenza on Animal Health and Production and the Economy in the Caribbean - Dr. Ranjit Singh, Agro Economist, University of the West Indies (20 min)
- 8:50 - 9:20 Planning for the Influenza Human Pandemic: Progress in Preparedness in CARICOM Member States - Dr. Beryl Irons and Dr. Rosa Salas, CAREC (30 min)
- 9.20 – 9:40 Panel Discussion: Identifying Economic and Public Health Impact of Avian Influenza CARICOM States- Dr. Ranjit Singh, Dr. James Dobbins (20 min)
- Session 3: Avian Influenza Surveillance, Preparedness and Control Experiences in the Americas: Lessons Learnt and Best Practices for CARICOM States** - Chairperson Dr. Joseph Ryan CVO T&T
- 9:40 - 10:20 OIE AI Surveillance and Control Standards & Programs – Chairpeson Dr Louis Barcos, Representative Americas, OIE (40 min)
- 10:20 - 10:40 Coffee Break
- 10:40 - 11:10 Organisation of Laboratory Diagnosis of Avian Influenza in the Caribbean- Dr. Dominique Martinez CIRAD France (30 min)
- 11:10 - 11:30 Discussion/Questions/Answers
- 11.30 - 12:30 Lunch
- 12:30 - 13:10 Chile: Experience in AI outbreak control and subsequent prevention programs: Lessons for CARICOM - Dr. Hernan Rojas, CVO, Ministry of Agriculture, Chile (40 min)
- 13:10 - 13:40 USA: Experiences and Best Practices in AI outbreak control in wet markets, backyard farmers, game birds, wild birds - Dr. Cheryl Hall, DVM, MAM, ACPV Poultry Disease Specialist National Center for Import and Export Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services (30 min)
- 13:40 - 14:00 Coffee Break
- 14:00 - 14:30 OIRSA: Experience Planning and Implementing AI prevention & Control Programs Amongst the Central American States - Dr. Alberto Espinosa, Director, OIRSA (30 min)
- 14:30 - 14:50 Report on OIE/ IICA Rapid Assessment of Veterinary Services in CARICOM: Identifying High- risk Practices and Regulatory Control Gaps:- Dr. Maxine Aaron-Parris, Veterinarian, IICA (20 min)

- 14.50 - 15:05 Industry Programs for AI, Robert Best, Executive Director, Caribbean Poultry Association (15 m)
- 15:05 – 16:00 Panel Discussion: Identifying High-risk Practices and Regulatory Control Gaps in CARICOM States- Dr Louis Barcos, Dr Sebastian Heath, Dr Alberto Espinosa, Dr Maxine Aaron Parris, Robert Best (50 min)
- 16:00: - 16:20 Technical Support Programs for AI Prevention & Control in the Americas – The IICA Experience: Lessons for CARICOM – Dr. Marissa Cordero, IICA, Costa Rica (20 min)
- 16:20: - 17:00 Chairperson/ Rapporteur Drafting Session – Resolutions (40 min)

DAY 3 – Wednesday 5 April 2006

- Session 4: Avian Influenza Surveillance, Preparedness and Control Implementation: - Progress and Challenges in Caribbean Countries** (Chairperson – Dr Lloyd Webb, PAHO)
- 8:00 - 8:30 "GF-TADs (Global Framework for the Progressive Control of Transboundary Animal Diseases), Avian Influenza Prevention and Control in the Americas, and the FAO's experience against H5N1 (2004-2006)". - Dr. Juan Lubroth, Senior Officer, Infectious Diseases Group, FAO, (30 min)
- 8.30 – 8.50 AI Domestic & Wild Bird Surveillance Programs : A proposal for support from the UWI-SVM - Dr Gabriel Brown, SVM - UWI
- 8.50 – 9.30 Communication Strategies for Officials, Industry and Media Personnel: Status of Implementation in CARICOM - Clare Forrester, Communications Specialist, PAHO, Barbados (30 min)
- 9:30 – 9:40 Break-out Groups on AI Prevention & Control Interventions: Introduction to Guidelines and Checklists - Dr Lloyd Webb, PAHO
- 9:40 - 10:00 Coffee Break
- 10:00-11:30 Break-out Groups on AI Prevention & Control Interventions:
- 11:30 - 12:30 Reports of Break-out Groups
- 12:.30- 13.30 Lunch
- 14:00 - 15:45 Break-out Groups on AI Prevention & Control Interventions
- 15:45 - 16:30 Reports of Break-out Group
- Session 5: Technical Assistance and Resource Mobilization to Support AI Surveillance, Preparedness & Control Programs in the Caribbean** (Chairperson – Ms. Margaret Kalloo, Senior Project Officer, CARICOM)
- 16:30 - 17:00 Questions and Answers on Technical Assistance: FAO, PAHO, OIE, IICA, OIRSA, CIRAD, Chile, USDA, French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, UWI-SVM, CARDI.
- 5:30 End of Technical Working Group Meeting
- 5.30 Press Conference: Chairperson - CARICOM CVO/CVHP/CEHO Meeting, CARICOM Secretariat, UWI-SVM, CARDI, CIRAD, IICA, FAO, PAHO, OIE, LLPB, CPA