

PROGRAMME

Understanding the Impact of Socio-Environmental Drivers on the Risk of (Re-)Emergence and Spread of Zoonotic Diseases:

What are the prospects for an interdisciplinary preventive approach in Belgium?

Chair: Dr Dominique Vandekerchove (Sciensano)

8.30-9.00	Registration & coffee	
9.00 - 9.10	Welcome	Prof. Dr Dirk Ramaekers, President of the Board of Directors, FPS Health, Food Chain Safety and Environment
Part 1 - State of play		
9.10-9.20	ECDC Belgium country report on Public Health Emergency Preparedness Assessment: Zoonotic diseases	Dr Bertrand Draguez, Chief Medical Officer, DG P&R, FPS Health, Food Chain Safety and Environment
9.20-9.30	Mapping key actors in Belgium's zoonotic disease landscape: from prevention to response – ZooBiodiv project	MSc Maud Papageorges, Sciensano
9.30-9.40	Preliminary findings on the risk to human health from the increase of zoonotic diseases due to biodiversity loss	Dr Loïc Gillerot, Thematic Expert, CERAC (Climate Risk Assessment Center)
9.40-9.50	Climate change projections and impacts in Belgium	Dr Rozemien De Troch, Climate Services Lead, Belgian Climate Center
9.50-10.00	Audience Q&A	
Part 2 - Perspectives: recent findings and recommendations		
10.00-10.20	The impacts of anthropogenic environmental and climate change on zoonotic disease transmission: a literature review including the Belgian context – ZooBiodiv project	MSc Maud Papageorges, Sciensano
10.20-10.30	Audience Q&A	
10.30-10.50	Coffee break	
10.50-11.05	Key perspectives and recommendations from the ZooBiodiv project	MSc Maud Papageorges, Sciensano
11.05-11.15	Audience Q&A	
11.15-11.50	Building the road to a One Health strategy on zoonotic disease prevention: recommendations on selected high-risk activities in Belgium – The PREZODE Belgian Expert Group	Prof. Dr An Martel (UGent) Peter Demaeght (FPS Health, DGENV) Katie Vermeersch (FPS Health, DGAPF) & Prof. Dr Nicolas Antoine-Moussiaux (ULiège)
11.50-12.00	Audience Q&A	
Part 3 - Discussion panel (Under construction)		
12.00-13.00	The Belgian context is becoming more and more complex due to various factors such as globalisation, biological invasions, biodiversity loss, climate change, pollution, land use change, intensive farming, an ageing population, migration, and population growth. Under these circumstances, how can policy in Belgium integrate prevention of zoonoses at source at all levels, and in a coherent way?	Moderator: Prof. Dr Nicolas Antoine-Moussiaux (ULiège) With the following panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Dr Steven Van Gucht, Scientific Director Infectious Diseases in Humans, Sciensano • Dr Katrien Tersago, Eco-epidemiologist, Team Milieugezondheidszorg, Departement Zorg, Flemish Region • Prof. Dr Katharina Kreppel, Epidemiologist, Institute of Tropical Medicine Antwerp, on behalf of the international PREZODE initiative • Dr Stefan Roels, Scientific Coordinator, Sciensano • Dr Hendrik Segers, coordinator of the Biodiversity Policy Support group, Institute of Natural Sciences
13.00-13.10	Closure of the workshop	Prof. Dr Steven Van Gucht, Scientific Director Infectious Diseases in Humans, Sciensano
13.10-14.00	Networking lunch	