



European Animal Health & Welfare Research

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Aim and scope

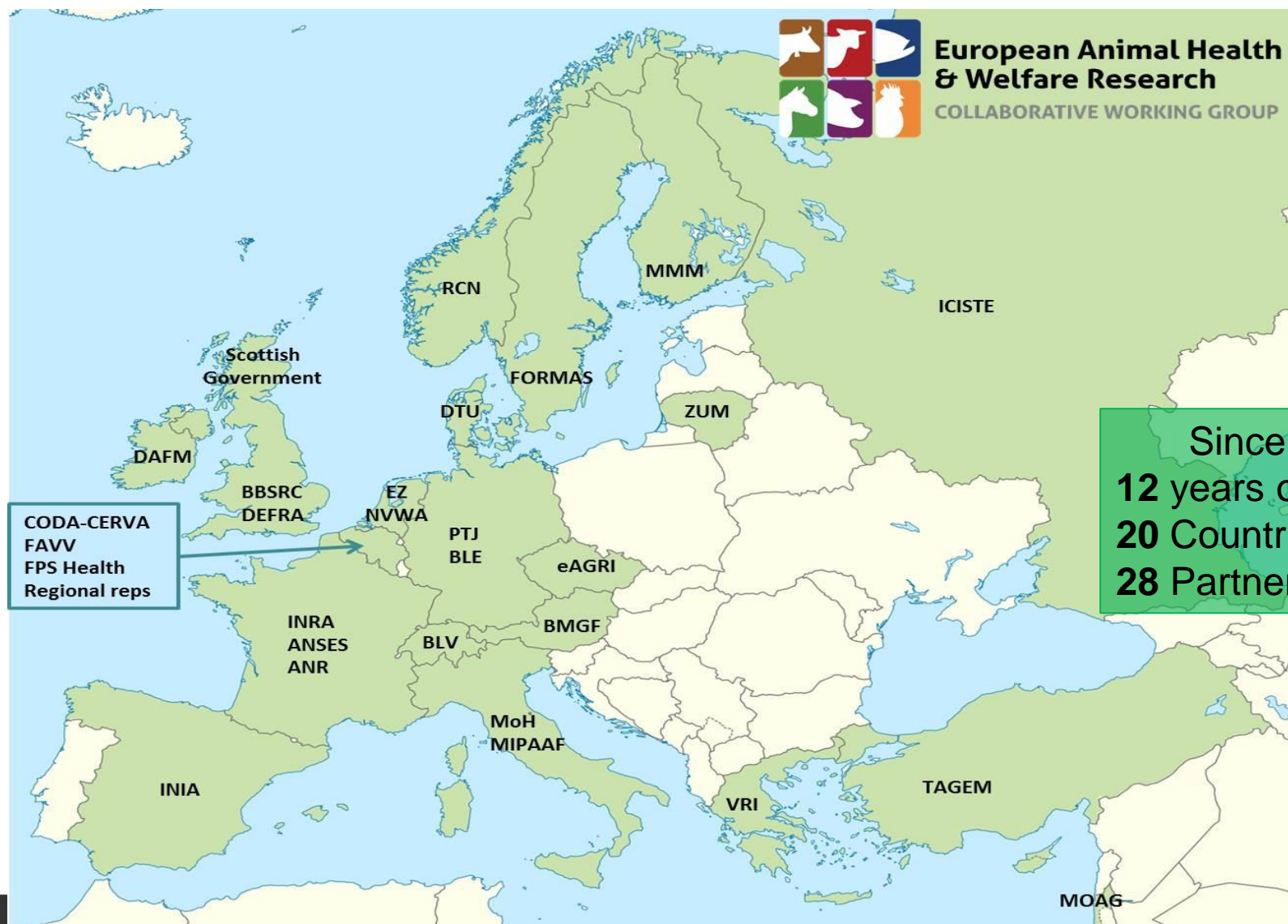
Provide a forum leading to improved collaboration on research prioritisation and procurement, creating the necessary critical mass and focus to deliver the **animal health and welfare research needs** of our policy makers and the European livestock industry.

The scope is comprehensive of **emerging and major infectious diseases, production diseases and animal welfare of production animals** in the EU together with capacity and capability (**including infrastructural aspects**).

This **includes fish and bees and those conditions which pose a threat to human health**, but excluding food safety issues and diseases of wildlife (except reservoirs of infection for humans or production animals).



CWG AHW members




Since 2005
12 years of activity
20 Countries
28 Partners



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The CWG-AHW history is a good example on how SCAR works, defining and adjusting the needs and on this basis deciding the creation of new groups.

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- Initially CWG AH (including production diseases)
 - **EMIDA eraNet**
 - CWG AH-W (triggered by Animal Production situations)
 - **ANIHWA EraNet**
 - The need on enhancing Sustainability of the Animal Production Systems leads to the creation of a new CWG-GROUP: CGW-SAP



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CWG AHW Working groups

Currently there are these subgroups active within the CWG AHW:

- Animal Health (= plenum)
- Animal Welfare (2009 -)
- Strategy & Foresight (= SFU, 2015-)

Particularly on SFU origin:

CWG SubG + EMIDA WP4	→ Foresight & Programming Unit	→ Strategy & Foresight Unit
(2007-11)	(2012-15)	(2015-)

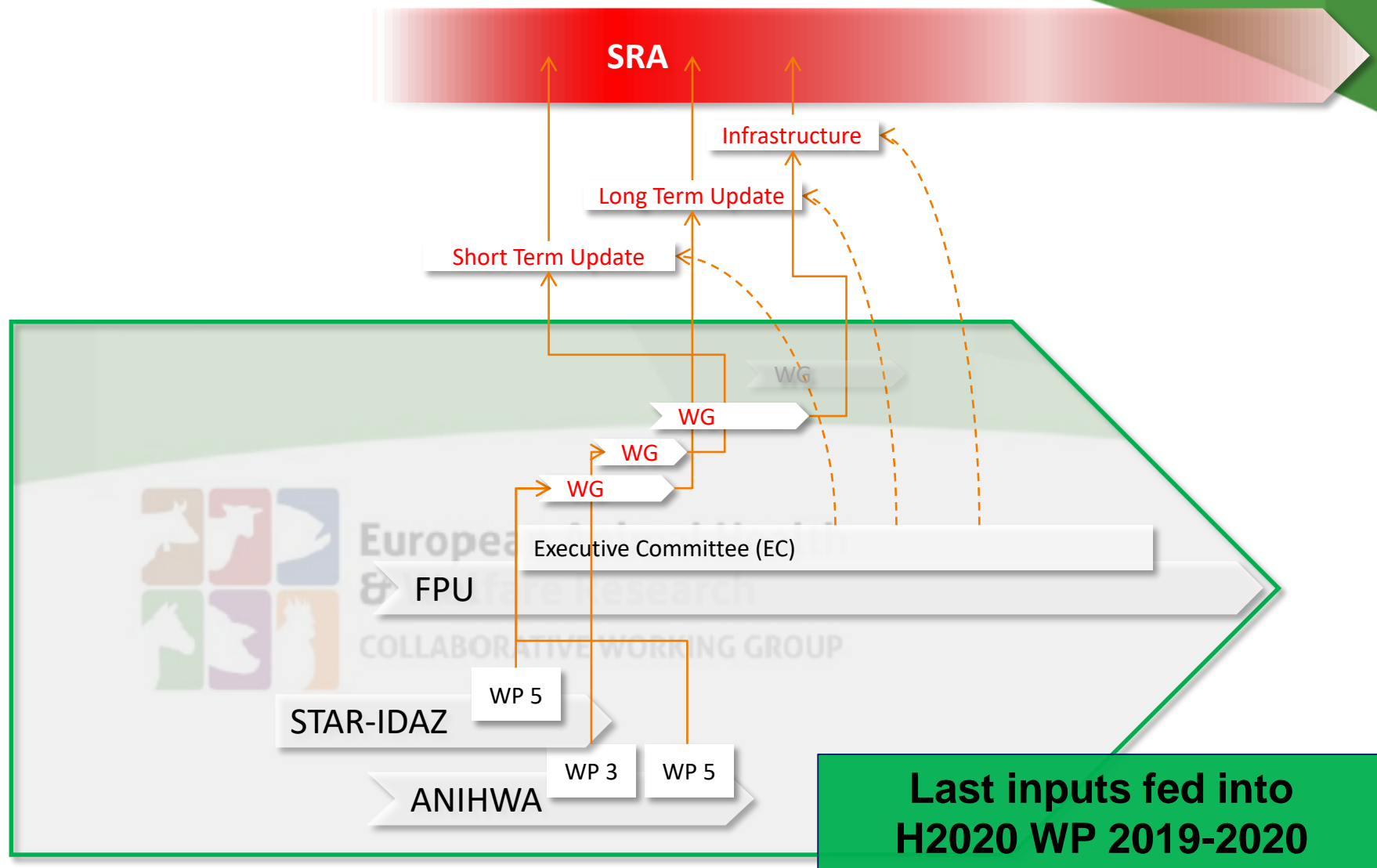
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Strategic Research Agendas

- Over the past decades, several SRA on animal health were developed in Europe
- The CWG AHW guided and stimulated the creation of some of the very first ones on both AH and AW



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Setting of the basis for an European SRA on animal welfare

- AW research updating agreed by stakeholders, including farmers, the industry, and researchers
 - Research gap analysis on animal welfare (desk study)
 - Prioritisation by research experts and funders
 - Focus group with the industry to define an Agenda and a roadmap



**Inputs fed into
H2020 WP
2019-2020**



... THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE



Title: **Mid-term foresight exercise for AH research needs**

Period of activities: Apr 2017-Feb 2018 by two SFU WGs: SRA short term updating and Trend and developments

Objective: An update of the strategic research agenda in animal health. The last one was released as a deliverable of ERA Net ANIHWA 2015.

- **Desk study** (April-June)
- **Questionnaire** to funders and experts for prioritization of Areas
- Developing of **Research Questions** by the SFU and CWG members
- **Consensus workshop** with funders and experts to update SRA (Nov-2017)
- **Final report** delivery (2018)

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CWG AHW and STARIDAZ support **Veterinary Vaccinology ERA-net Call**

The following interest has been expressed from outside Europe:

- The International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) – Kenya – they are very interested and can commit a minimum of \$3 million per year over the next 5 years.
- Kenya Agriculture and Livestock Research Organisation (KALRO) – interested in taking part and expect to be able to commit €100k
- National Veterinary Research Institute (NVRI) – Nigeria – very interested and would hope to commit €200k – 300k to a call
- National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) – USA – very interested/highly supportive –would probably run their annual call in parallel with a vaccinology topic linked to the ERA-net co-fund call - they could see up to \$8million going into it.
- A global initiative relating to antimicrobial resistance has suggested they would match European funding up to €20 million.



**Thank you for your
attention!**

