



ESVAC Stakeholders meeting

**Collection of data by species : draft action plan  
FVE input**

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## **Urgently needed as many market initiatives starting**

We see a rapid development of surveillance systems of antimicrobial use, both on the level of sales data (as by ESVAC) as on the level of consumption or prescription data.

Eg. QS – Germany, Belgium, Netherlands, Denmark, ...

Harmonisation needed of these national antimicrobial use surveillance programs, as done via ESVAC and also promoted by OIE.



## But also, stay cautious!

Careful consideration of interpretation

- Comparison is very difficult as:
  - Different species, subspecies kept
  - Different disease situation
  - Different structuring market
  - Different treatment options
- FVE recognises **benchmarking** can be an important component of antimicrobial stewardship program, but care needs to be taken that the comparison is done with valid, usage data which are, risk-adjusted to account for farm, disease and climate differences .

“Comparison must be done in a fair and responsible way. ”



## **FVE comments on ESVAC action**

- Welcomes action plan
- Keep protocols as simple and practical as possible, avoid double input!
- Work in collaboration, all parties must be convinced of need to avoid black market
- Ensure that all antimicrobials are measured:
  - Also off-label use, medicated feed, topical treatments, all different distributions channels including internet trade
- Please also involve the national veterinary associations of the volunteer MSs.
- FVE welcomes further consultations



**... always keep track of the end goal**

to decrease antimicrobial  
resistance in humans and  
animals ... worldwide



Thank you for your attention!