

Cross-agency One Health Task Force – An overview

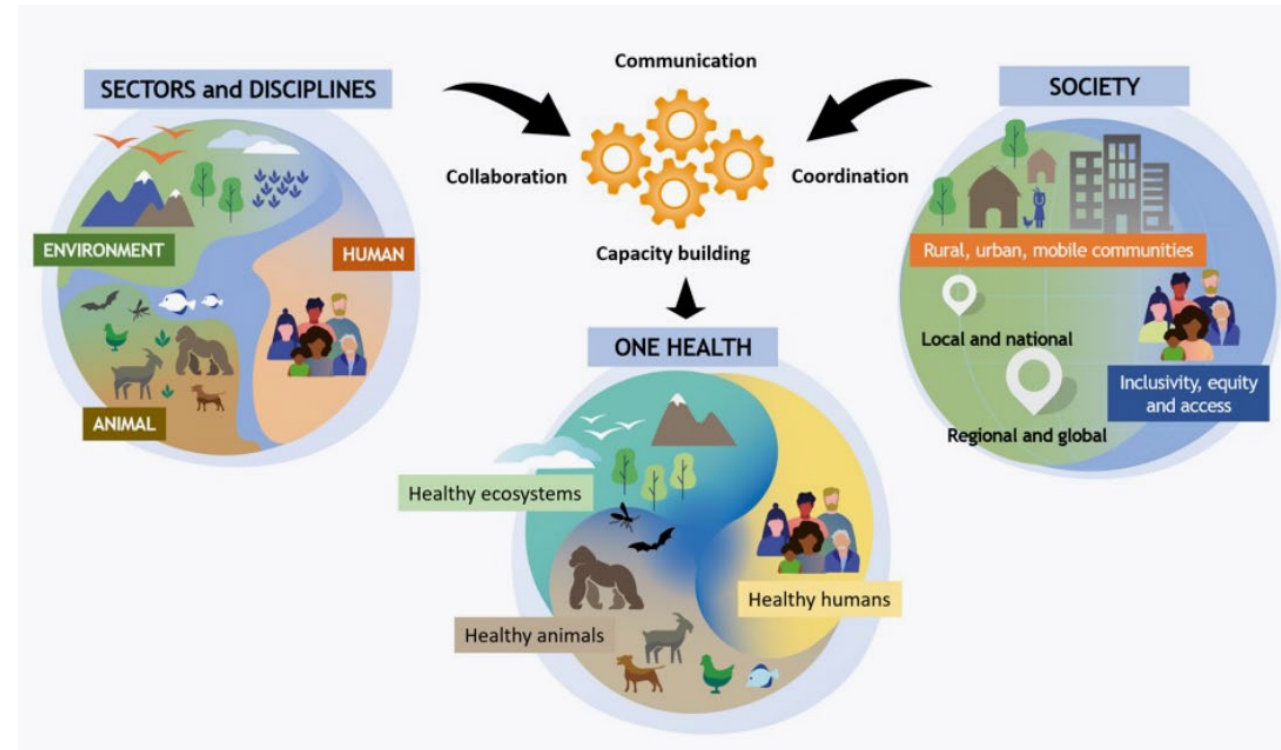
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meeting

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One Health definition

“An integrated, unifying approach that aims to sustainably balance and optimise the health of humans, animals, plants and ecosystems. It recognises that the health of humans, domestic and wild animals, plants and the wider environment (including all the different ecosystems) are closely linked and interdependent”.

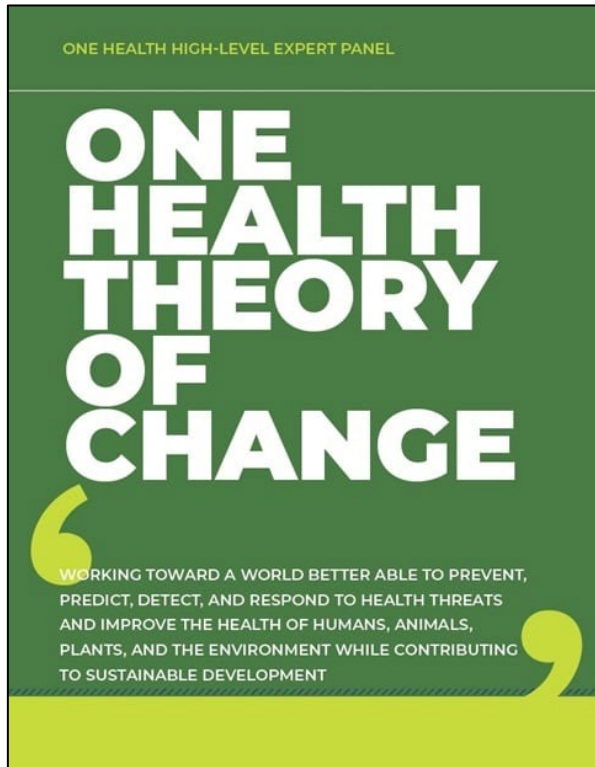


**proposed by an independent advisory group to the so call quadripartite (WHO, FAO, WHOA and UNEP)*

An aerial photograph of a city, likely San Francisco, showing a dense layer of smog or fog that has settled over the lower parts of the buildings. The fog is thick and white, obscuring the details of the city below. In the background, a tall, thin skyscraper (the Transamerica Pyramid) stands out against the hazy sky. The overall scene conveys a sense of environmental pollution and its impact on urban visibility.

**To be better able to
prevent, predict,
detect, and respond to
health threats**

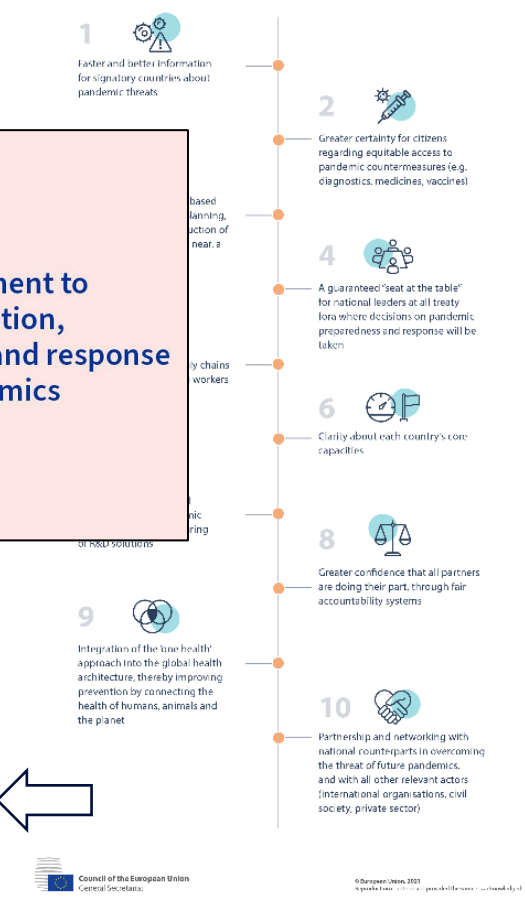
One Health policy landscape - International



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Integration of the 'one health' approach into the global health architecture, thereby improving prevention by connecting the health of humans, animals and the planet

10 incentives and benefits of an international treaty on pandemics

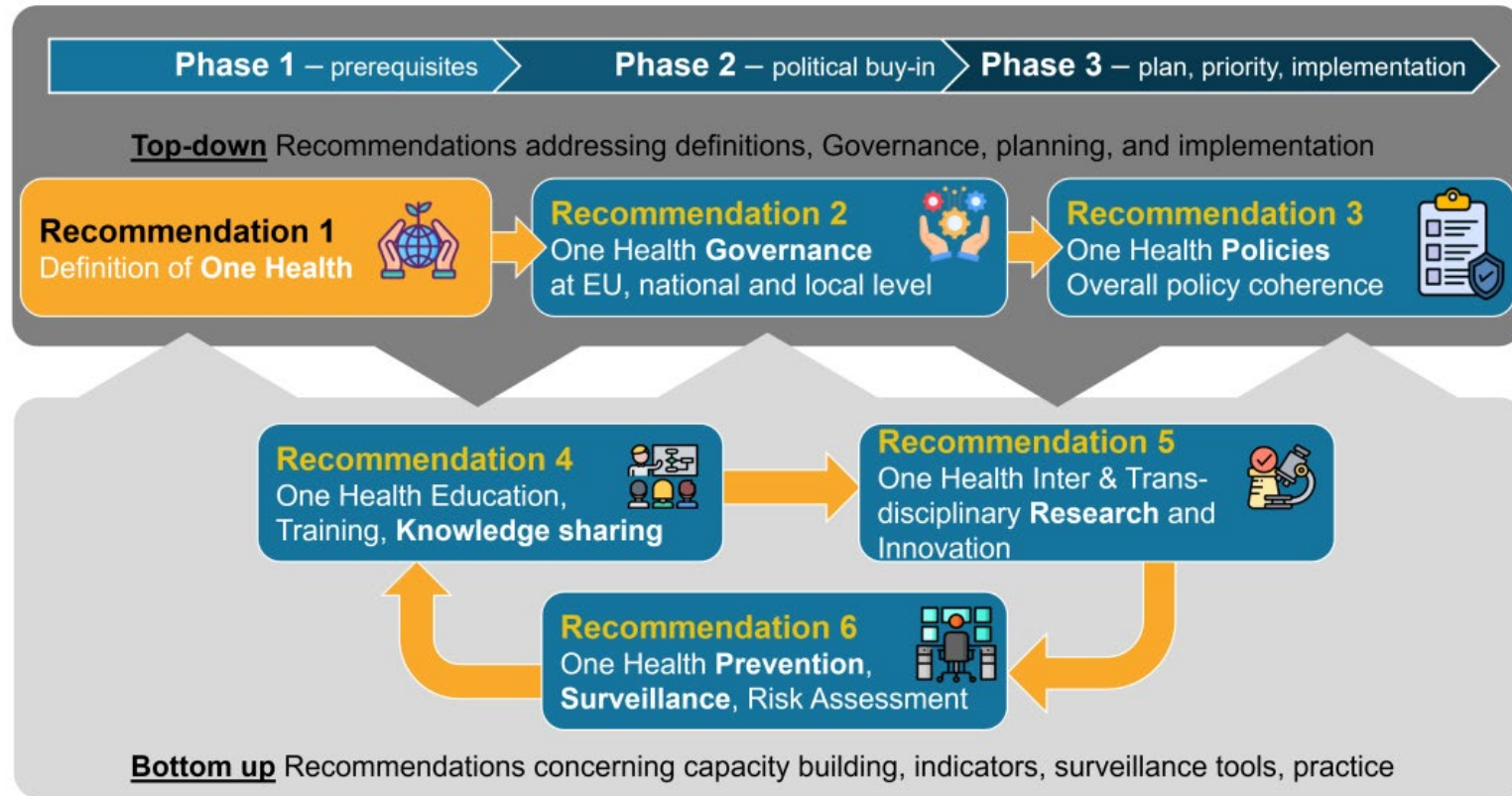


One Health governance in the EU

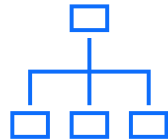
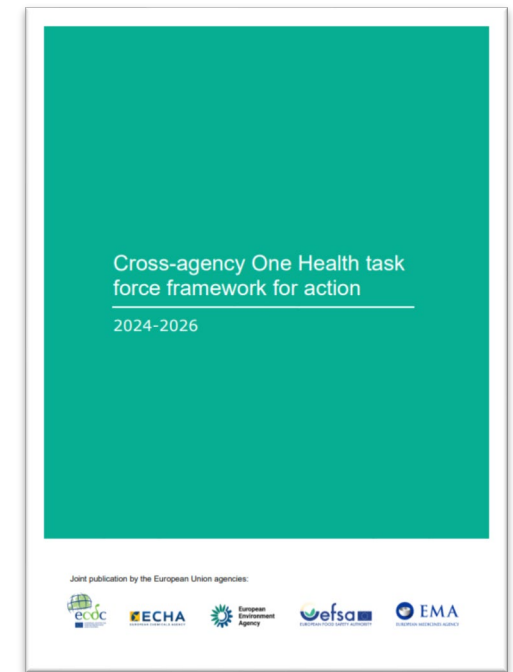


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Cross-agency One Health Task Force – Timeline



ONE Conference 2022

June 2022

Cross-agency Task Force on One Health established

April 2023

Joint statement on One Health published

November 2023

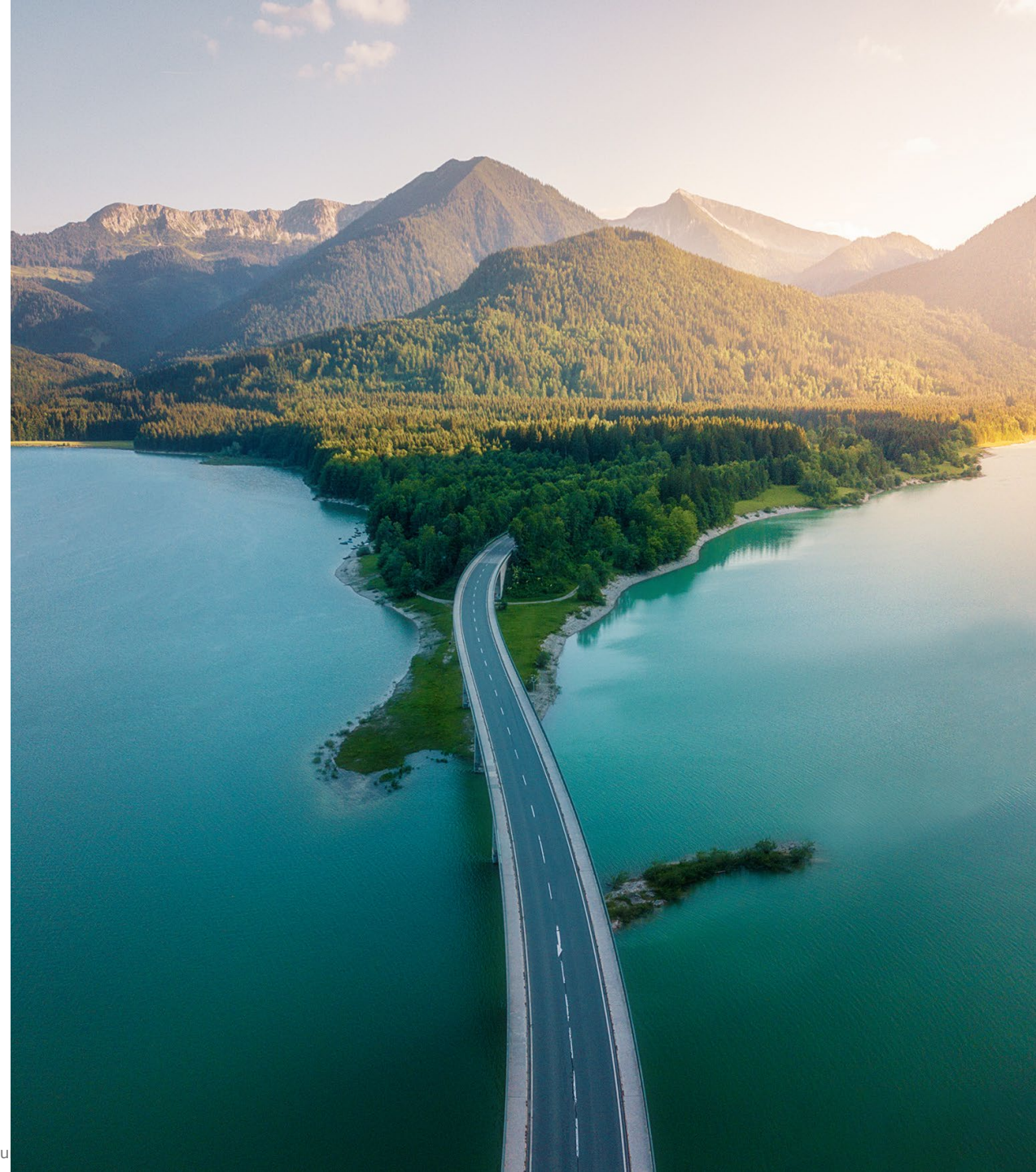
Framework for Action published

May 2024



Cross-agency One Health Task Force - Vision

*The **vision** of the task force is to enable EU agencies to successfully contribute to the implementation of the One Health approach in Europe, with the ultimate goal of strengthening the ability of the EU and its Member States to respond to health crisis*

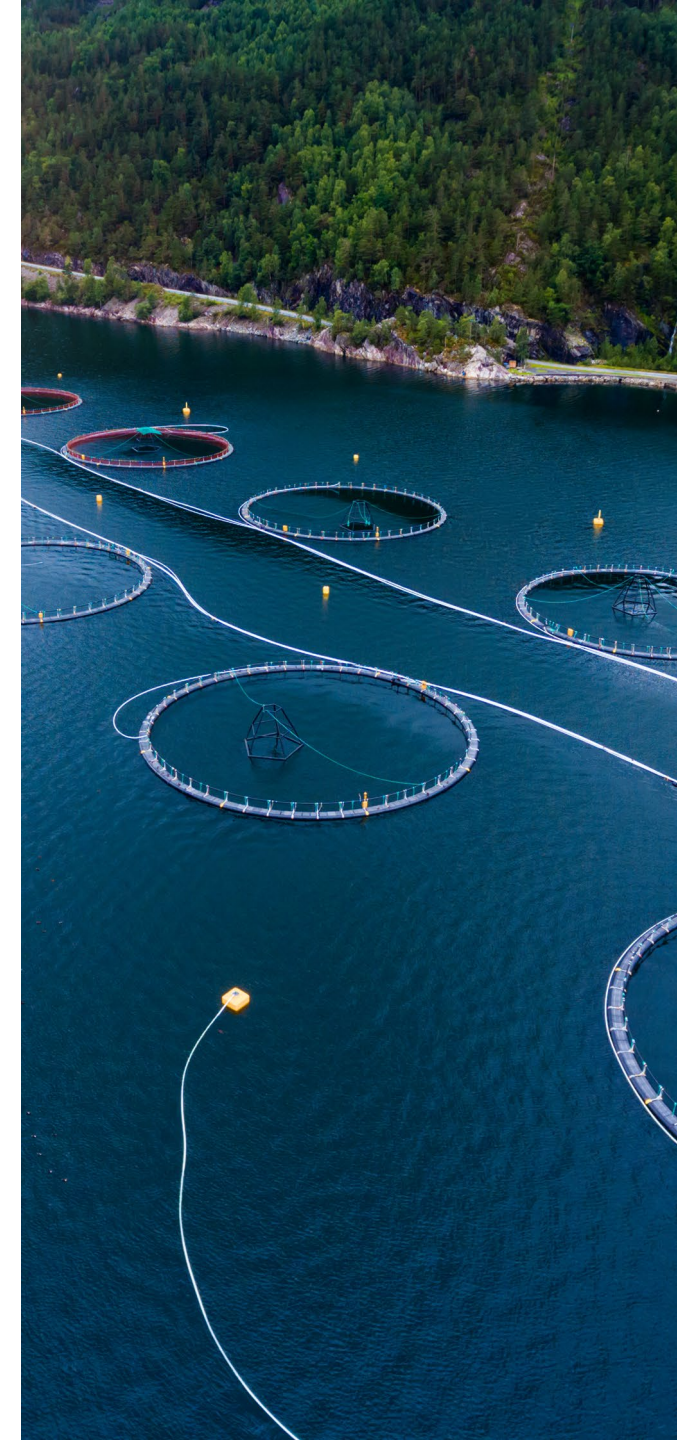


Cross-agency One Health Task Force - Membership

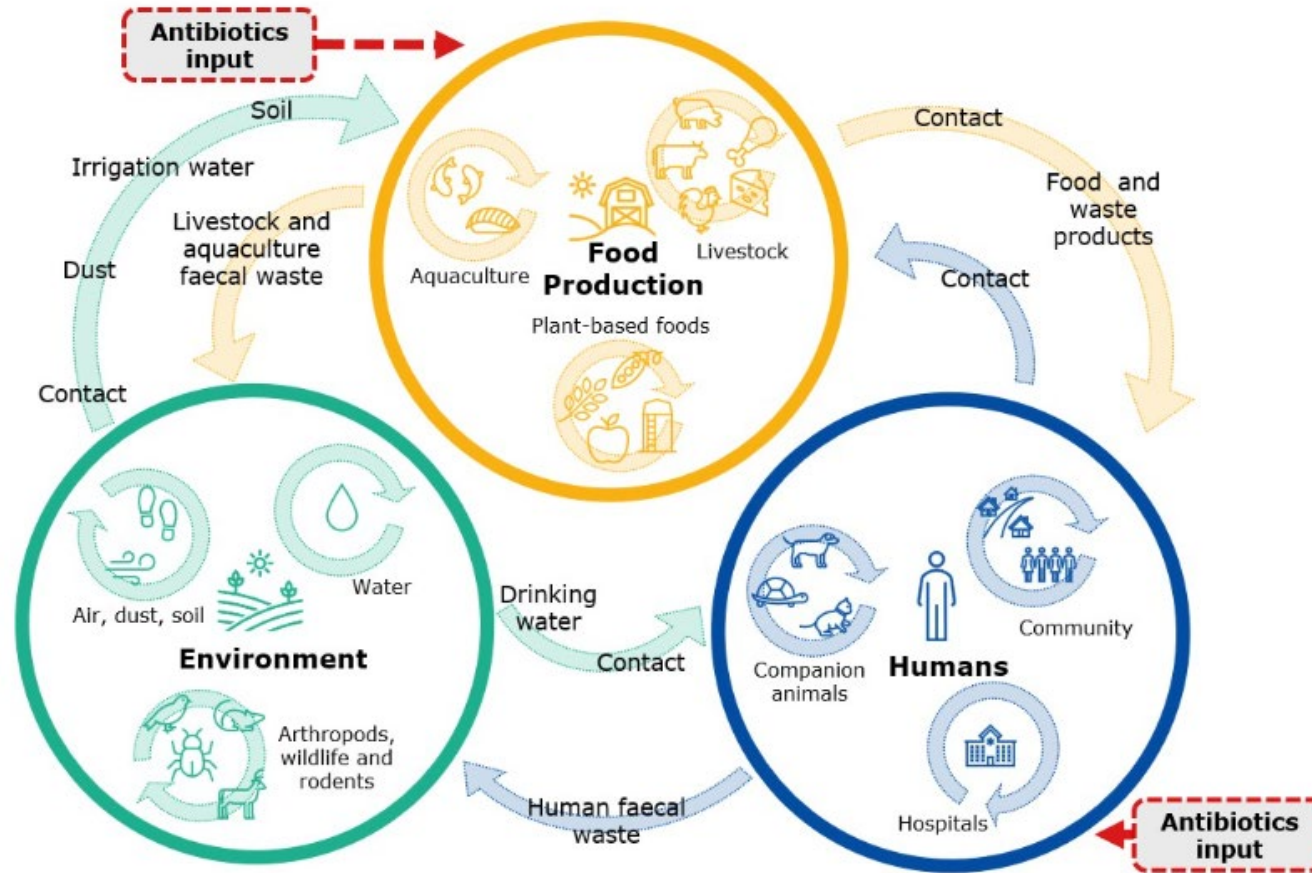
- Advisory function to the Executive Directors of the five Agencies
- Composition
 - Members: ECDC, ECHA, EEA, EFSA, EMA
 - Observer: DG SANTE A
 - External *ad hoc* guests upon invitation
- Chair: rotating annually (currently ECDC)



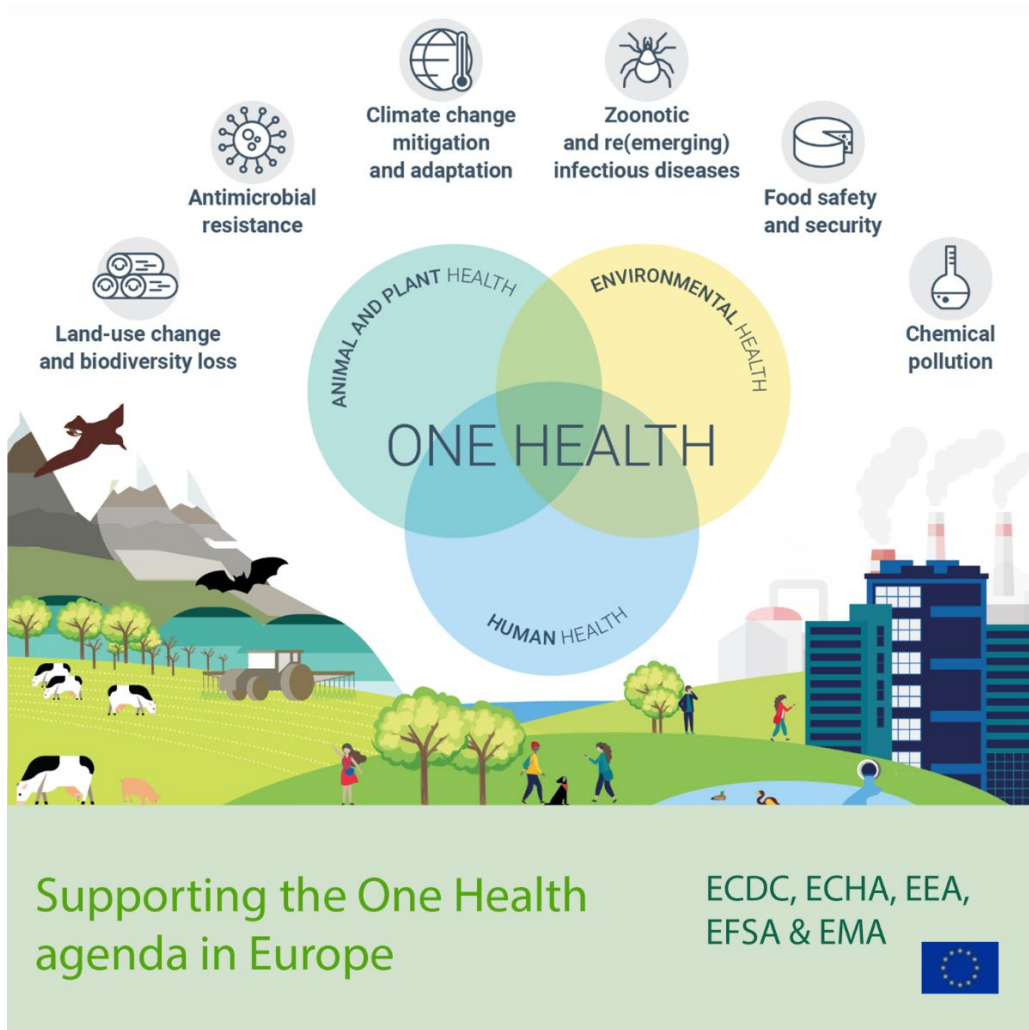
Cross-agency One Health Task Force – Strategic objectives



One Health case study: AMR



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Cross-agency knowledge for One Health action

Joint statement by European Union Agencies

European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC)
 European Chemicals Agency (ECHA)
 European Environment Agency (EEA)
 European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)
 European Medicines Agency (EMA)

Climate change and health



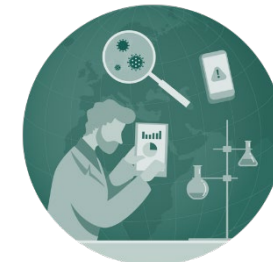
Impact of microplastics and chemical pollution on health



Prevention, preparedness and response



Integrated surveillance and early warning systems



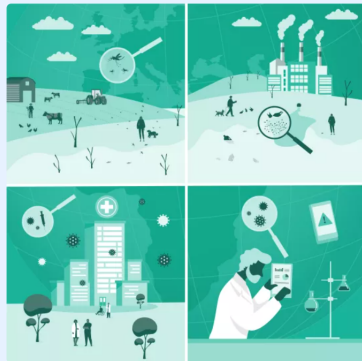
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One Health approach

Share

The European Medicines Agency (EMA) and four other health and environment agencies of the European Union (EU) work together to implement the One Health approach. It aims to enable the EU and its Member States to better prevent, predict, detect and respond to health threats.

Human Veterinary Medicines

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EMA's role

One Health task force

Human, animal and plant health, food safety and environmental sustainability share complex links.

One Health addresses related issues via **collaboration** across disciplines and sectors.

This approach helps to:

• prevent the emergence of health threats, or help mitigate their impact and societal costs

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