



Planning for 2025 Priorities

United Against Rabies Stakeholder Meeting

Cape Town, 23-25 September 2024

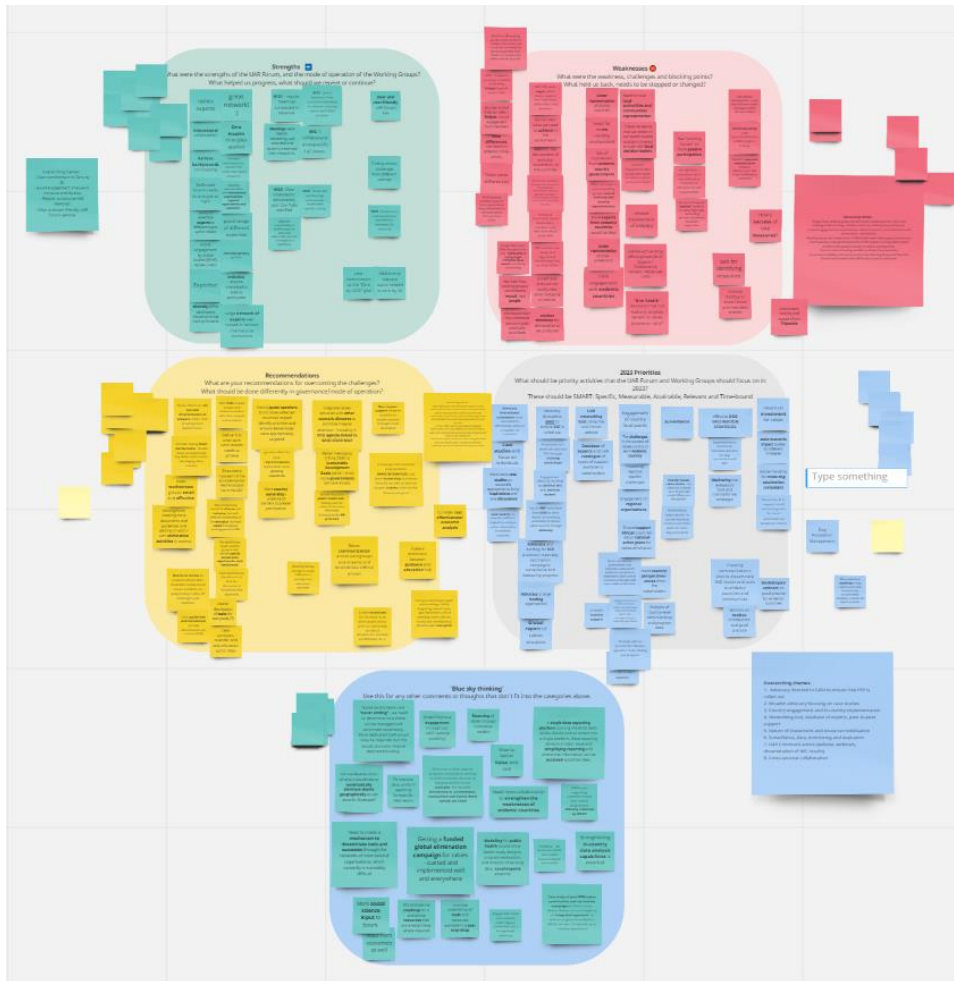


Some big wins so far!



- ❖ Agreed international milestones for countries to demonstrate 'Zero by 30' achievement (Mexico with WHO validation; Philippines, Namibia, Zambia with WOAHA endorsement)
- ❖ United Against Rabies Forum agreed and launched by all Tripartite DGs in 2020
- ❖ Website to act as a central platform for rabies tools and resources including the UAR toolbox
- ❖ Fantastic new templates, guidance documents, recommendations in direct response to needs/gaps
- ❖ Roll out of Gavi PEP investment

Progressing together – UAR recommendations from 2022 and 2023



- ❖ Refine mode of operation and have well defined focus areas → evolution of Steering Group, annual priority areas, SMART focused activity proposals
- ❖ Better representation needed from rabies-endemic countries → registration for in-person 2024 UAR meeting shows participants from 38 countries (27 of these rabies endemic)
- ❖ Improve connection between stakeholders → annual stakeholder meetings, collating points of contacts for countries, partnership map
- ❖ Improve awareness and uptake of UAR materials → website, webinars, newsletters, podcast, social media

2024 Priority Objectives

- Engage priority rabies-endemic countries and support development and implementation of National Strategic Plans
- Engage local authorities and communities to prioritise rabies elimination at the local level
- Facilitate access to human PEP, including supporting the implementation of Gavi's strategy on rabies
- Promote improved surveillance, data sharing and data reporting
- Support advocacy and resource mobilisation for rabies control

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Are these still appropriate? Do these need to change? → **Response so far is that these are still good.**
For each priority – what activities should the United Against Rabies Forum focus on?

Ongoing activities

- ❖ Newsletters, webinars, Scientific Watch
- ❖ Monitoring and Evaluation of 'Zero by 30'
- ❖ Partnership Map
- ❖ Country Partnership Programme
- ❖ Repository of Country Dog Population Estimates
- ❖ Recommendations for cross-cutting approaches for rabies control
- ❖ Coordination of Operational Research
- ❖ Integration of Oral Rabies Vaccination
- ❖ Rabies in Conflict Zones
- ❖ Update of United Against Rabies website
- ❖ Update of Toolbox

Country overview
See how a country is progressing towards rabies elimination

UAR members by country
See where UAR Forum members are working around the world

UAR Member activities
See which UAR Forum members are working in a country of interest and what they are doing.



Activity Category short	Activity Category levels
07 - Surveillance	Local
09 - National Planning	N/A
07 - Surveillance	Sub-national
04 - Education	National
05 - Rabies awareness	National
06 - Training	National
07 - Surveillance	National
08 - Diagnostic	N/A



What else? Your suggestions so far:

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- **Two common themes emerging: data + dog vaccination**
 - Support countries with case detection
 - Connect points of contact in Ministries of Health and Agriculture with Ministries of Finance
 - Increase investment in dog vaccination, and align investment in other rabies areas (e.g. Gavi PEP) with countries that are implementing/scaling up dog vaccination
 - Guidance on practical use of rapid diagnostic tests for countries that are not using gold standard methods for testing
 - Training: Joint training for veterinary and human health workers to jointly investigate rabies outbreaks; training programs for local stakeholders
 - Develop a rabies prevention certification program for communities and organisations demonstrating effective rabies prevention practices
 - Changing the messaging of rabies to investors (e.g. rabies is preventable rather than rabies kills; messaging that promotes animal welfare; consideration of rabies as an emergency)
 - Supporting countries in developing public private partnerships
 - Fund and support research projects focused on innovative rabies prevention strategies
 - Develop a policy brief advocating for rabies control strategies

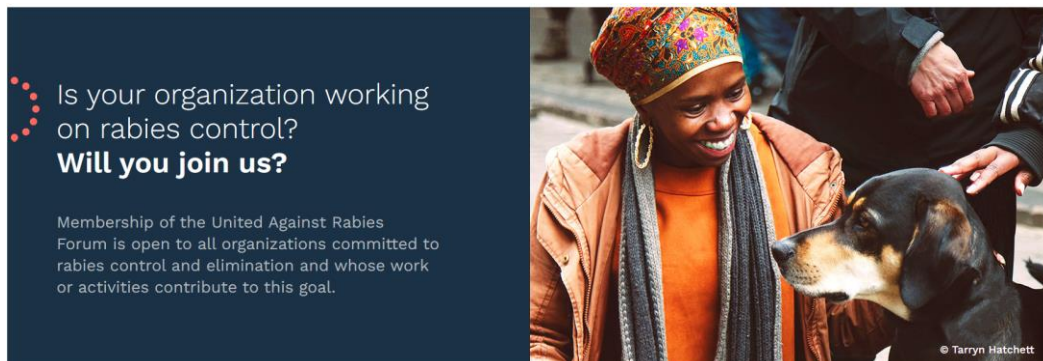
 - What else?

What next?

- Can you contribute to the 2024 United Against Rabies Forum priorities? **Propose an activity** that the UAR Forum should work on, through our Activity Proposal Form




- Would your organisation like to be a United Against Rabies Forum member? Email globalrabiescoordinator@woah.org



Is your organization working on rabies control?
Will you join us?

Membership of the United Against Rabies Forum is open to all organizations committed to rabies control and elimination and whose work or activities contribute to this goal.



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- Sign up for our mailing list to receive UAR newsletters, updates on upcoming events, the monthly Scientific Bulletin on Rabies at www.unitedagainstrabies.org
- Connect with us on social media

- Feedback form open until 15 November 2024**



- Next webinar December 2024**

Join the Community and share your stories

- Next UAR Stakeholder meeting 2025**

- Date and location to be confirmed
- Likely last quarter of 2025 in Asia Pacific

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28th September!