



# Network for Evaluation of One Health (NEOH) – an introduction to the project

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# The dilemma

- One Health intuitively appealing
- Multiple **benefits** and **added value** perceived and described

What's lacking

- Not mainstream (yet)
- No systematic resource allocation

What's needed

- **Standardised methods, approaches and data to evaluate One Health activities**
- Robust evidence basis for informed decision-making and resource allocation

# NEOH's aim

What's needed

- **Standardised methods, approaches and data to evaluate One Health activities**
- Robust evidence-based tools for informed decision-making and resource allocation

“To enable future quantitative evaluations of One Health activities and developing and applying a science-based evaluation protocol in a community of experts”

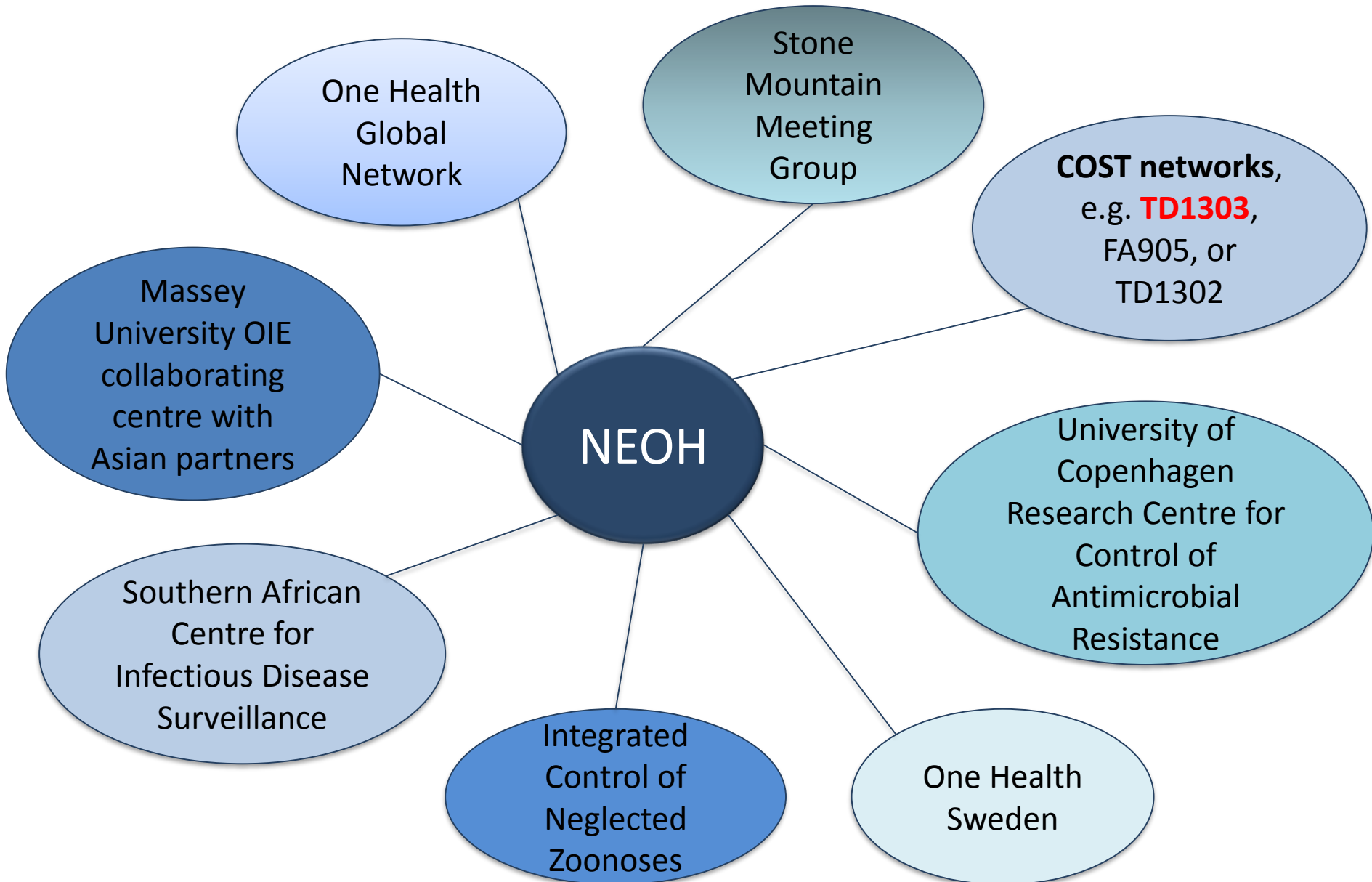
**In short: To develop and use methods and frameworks for improved One Health decision making**

# NEOH's objectives

<http://neoh.onehealthglobal.net>

- 1. Creating the necessary evidence basis to enable informed decision-making and resource allocation** / Input to stakeholders (WG1-WG4)
- 2. Evaluation of One Health initiatives (case studies)** / Comparison and/or performance assessment of theory/ model/ scenario/ projection/ simulation/ narrative/ methodology/ technology/ technique (WG2 and WG3)
- 3. Development of evaluation framework for One Health** / Development of knowledge needing international coordination: new or improved theory/ model/ scenario/ projection/ simulation/ narrative/methodology/technology/technique (WG1)
- 4. Interdisciplinary collaboration to tackle complex global challenges** / Bridging separate fields of science/disciplines to achieve breakthroughs that require an interdisciplinary approach (WG1-WG4)

# Relevant networks



# One of NEOH WG2 activities : the OH QUESTIONNAIRE a joint NEOH TD1404–WG2 + EurNegVec WG1-TD1303 initiative

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The image shows a Google Forms interface for a questionnaire. The top bar is green and contains the text 'NEOH/EURNEGVEC - One Health Questionnaire'. The main content area is white and contains the following text:

**One Health Questionnaire**

**- SCOPE OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE AND DETAILS -**  
This survey has been promoted under the Initiatives of the COST Action TD1404 'Network of Evaluation of One Health-NEOH' (<http://neoh.onehealthglobal.net/>) in collaboration with COST action TD1303 'European Network for Neglected Vectors and Vector-Borne Infections - EURNEGVEC' (<http://www.eurnegvec.org/>).

The questionnaire is meant to collect information and data on the existence/implementation of One Health (OH) actions/initiatives in your country. Besides collecting info on existing or planned OH initiatives in European countries (COST member countries), the questionnaire will also be used to get an overview on broader OH aspects in non-EU countries / third countries.

Please be so kind to take 10 minutes to give answers to the posted questions.

**- DISCLAIMER -**  
I. By completing and submitting, you are voluntarily agreeing to participate. You are free to decline to answer any particular question you do not wish to answer for any reason.  
II. Your responses will remain anonymous. No one will be able to identify you or your answers, and no one will know whether or not you participated in the study.  
III. The information collected may not benefit you directly, but the information learned in this study should provide more general benefits for the research purposes of the project.  
IV. Your answers will be sent to a link at <https://docs.google.com> where data will be stored in a password protected electronic format. docs.google.com does not collect identifying information such as your name, email address, or IP address.

Thanks in advance for your kind collaboration.

The NEOH WG2 and EURNEGVEC WG1 team

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Below the main text, there is a green bar that says 'Sezione 2 di 7'. The next section is titled '1. GENERAL INFORMATION' and contains a question: 'Which is your country of work?'. The question is preceded by a 'QUESTION 1.1' label and a 'Descrizione (facoltativa)' label.

# How can EurNegVec contribute to the OH Questionnaire?

**expected/suggested contributors → EurNegVec MC and/or MC substitutes** of those COST countries which do not (yet) have MC representatives in NEOH (a [country list](#)/participants' mailing list being provided);

**for a representative survey → answers from each COST Country, min. 9 respondents** (3x3 quest. response method)

**at least 1 respondent for each of the 3 OH “pillars/components”:**

- 1. Animal Health (AH);**
- 2. Human Health/Public Health (HH/PH);**
- 3. Environmental Health (EH).**

• **1 x 3 respondents** from the **public institutions/ministries**:

- i.) **1** for **AH** “pillar”, e.g. head/senior person of **Veterinary Services – MoA**;
- ii.) **1** for **HH/PH** “pillar”, e.g. head/senior person of **HH/PH services - MoH**);
- iii.) **1** for **EH** “pillar”, e.g. head/senior person of **EH services – MoE**)

• **1 x 3 respondents** from the **academia/research**:

- i.) **1** for **AH** “pillar”, e.g. head of the Board of Directors of the Veterinary Faculties;
- ii.) **1** for **HH/PH** “pillar”, e.g. head/director of the Board of Directors of each country’s HH/PH faculties;
- iii.) **1** for **EH** “pillar”, e.g. head/director of the Board of Directors of each country’s Environmental Sciences faculties.

• **1x 3 respondents** from the **private sector/NGOs**:

- i.) **1** for **AH** “pillar”, e.g. head of the National Council/Board of Veterinarians;
- ii.) **1** for **HH/PH** “pillar”, e.g. head of the National Council/Board of Family Doctors, or Public Health nurses, etc.;
- iii.) **1** for **EH** “pillar”, e.g. head of the National Council/Board of the Environmental Sciences Specialists)

**Additional respondents:** head/director of National association for consumers’ protection; ..... of National Society for Wildlife/Environmental Conservation; ..... Agronomist/Veterinarians without Borders; ..... *Medecins sans Frontieres*; etc.



For more information about NEOH, visit the project website

<http://neoh.onehealthglobal.net>

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