



# **Training Benefits Gained by VICH Outreach Forum Members**

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# What is ASEAN?

- Association of Southeast Asian Nations
- Established on 8 August 1967 in Bangkok, Thailand
- Aims and Purposes of ASEAN include:
  - To accelerate economic growth, social progress and cultural development in the region
  - To promote regional peace and stability
  - To promote active collaboration and mutual assistance on matters of common interest
  - To provide assistance to each other in the form of training and research facilities
  - To collaborate more effectively for the greater utilization of their agriculture and industries
  - To promote Southeast Asian studies
  - To maintain close and beneficial cooperation with existing international and regional organisations



# Association of Southeast Asian Nations



# ASEAN Cooperation on Animal Health

- Regional responsible body – ASEAN Sectoral Working Group on Livestock (ASWGL)
- Strategic approaches towards regional cooperation on animal health and zoonoses
  - Strengthening national animal health capability, particularly veterinary services
  - Strengthening regional coordination on transboundary animal diseases (TADs)
  - Supporting animal health sector towards greater contribution to multi-sectoral cooperation on public health
  - Enhancing partnership arrangement and cooperation



# ASEAN Cooperation on Veterinary Products

- Regional responsible body – ASEAN National Focal Points for Veterinary Products (ANFPVP)
  - Previous name: ASEAN National Focal Points for Animal Vaccines (ANFPAV)
  
- Activities
  - Annual Meeting held at least once in a year
  - Develop ASEAN Standard Requirements for Animal Vaccines
  - Develop several guidelines on vaccine:
    - GMP for Animal Vaccines
    - Registration of Animal Vaccines
    - etc
  - Accreditation of ASEAN Animal Vaccines Testing Laboratories
  - Participating in international and regional fora



## **ANFPVP's position in relation to VICH**

- ASEAN is a member
- Maintain ASEAN position in VICH Outreach Forum
- Use of VICH guidelines as reference for ASEAN Member States

One of the key strategic thrust:

Harmonised vet laboratory and vet product quality standards to promote collaboration among labs, and expand trade in livestock and veterinary products

Conduct training on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Registration of Veterinary Medicinal Products (VICH)





# Why training was requested?

- It was noted that only 1 country (Thailand) attends the VOF meetings regularly and it is difficult to transfer all the correct VICH information to the rest of the ASEAN member countries due to resources restrictions within regulatory authorities.
  
- Manual of ASEAN Standards for Animal Vaccines available but not for Veterinary Pharmaceutical Products.
  
- Need for harmonization of guidelines
  - World population growth, food insufficiency, change of consumption patterns
  - Transboundary Animal Diseases, particularly zoonoses caused by movement of life animals, animal production, local livelihoods, public health
  - International and regional economy and trade
  - Climate change (uncertain climate patterns and unpredictable impact on livestock production systems and changes of disease patterns)



# Trainings for ASEAN – Brunei 2017

Time	26 <sup>th</sup> April 2017 (during the 4 <sup>th</sup> ANVPVP meeting)
Duration	Half day training
Venue	Brunei Darussalam as the Host of the 1st VICH Training in ASEAN
Topic	VICH Guideline 27: Guidance on Pre-Approval Information for Registration of New Veterinary Medicinal Products for Food Producing Animals with respect to Antimicrobial Resistance  VICH Guideline 50: Waiver of Target Animal Batch Safety Tests
Trainer	Dr. Ken Noda and Dr. Mayumi Kijima
Funding	VICH for the flight Brunei for hotel



# Trainings for ASEAN – Cambodia 2018

Time	24 <sup>th</sup> April 2018 (during the 5 <sup>th</sup> ANVPVP meeting)
Duration	Half a day
Venue	Cambodia as the Host of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> VICH Training in ASEAN
Topic	Use of pharmacovigilance guidelines
Trainer	Dr. Rick Clayton from Health for Animals as VICH Ambassador
Funding	VICH secretariat



## Benefits of Training

- Knowledge on the use of Pharmacovigilance Guidelines
- ASEAN and Thailand accept waiving of Target Animal Batch Safety Tests based on the supportive documentation received from Market Authorisation Holders in line with VICH Guidelines.



# Cooperation within ASEAN – Autogenous vaccines

- ASEAN Standards for Autogenous Vaccines
  - Standard requirements for the use and production of autogenous veterinary vaccines
  - Lead: Thailand
  - Co-lead: Singapore
  - Take references from European Medicines Agency (EMA) and the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)
  - Draft in circulation



# Cooperation within ASEAN – Antimicrobial Resistance

- ASEAN regional strategy on antimicrobial resistance communication and advocacy
  - To raise awareness on AMR and its consequences
  - To promote prudent use of antimicrobials among key stakeholders in the ASEAN Member States such as veterinary drug owners and veterinarians
  - To promote good animal husbandry practices among livestock producers/farmers
  - Key focus areas: Technical, Awareness and Education, Networking and Collaboration, Resource Mobilisation



# Way Forward

- Plan training for 2019/2020
- Proposed trainings may include
  - GMP, GCP
  - Harmonization of veterinary GMP standards
  - Incorporation of VICH guidelines incorporated into OIE requirements for vaccines, and other international guidelines
  - Autogenous vaccines: Quality, Safety & Efficacy
  - Relevant VICH documents that can be used as reference and standard setting in defining the ASEAN work plan for AMR

