

THE TIME FOR GLOBAL COLLABORATION IS NOW

SECTOR COLLABORATION SUPPORTS DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OIE STANDARD ON THE WELFARE OF WORKING EQUIDS

An estimated 100 million working equids are used for transport and traction, contributing to households' livelihoods and food security.

They are key components in farming systems and critical livestock assets.

The OIE working equine welfare standard, adopted in 2016, represents a crucial milestone for this sector because these animals were frequently invisible to policy makers and their health and welfare needs often neglected in national animal health and disease programmes. With 180 OIE member states now acknowledging the importance of working horses, donkeys and mules, the time is now for coordinated action to implement the standard across the globe.

Through local partnerships, **World Horse Welfare** implements community-based programmes that focus on building capacity of equine owning communities, equipping service providers, such as farriers, saddlers and vets with the skills and tools required to provide affordable quality services and supporting government by raising awareness of equine health, welfare and disease matters.



SPANA supports the diffusion of veterinary knowledge, as a key component for the sustainability of our programmes. It does so by:

- Assisting universities review their curricula to include welfare, one health and a large animal module.
- Delivering bespoke CPD.
- Improving clinical competency via access to mobile clinics and clinical skill centres.



OIE
STANDARD

Brooke builds capacity in equine owning communities so they:

- Perform basic husbandry and first aid to prevent and manage welfare problems.
- Recognise when an equid requires professional health services and demand quality services without delay.
- Display positive human-animal interactions.
- This complements work with service providers and policy makers.



The Donkey Sanctuary improves the welfare of donkeys and mules worldwide through programmes with communities, tertiary institutions, networks and global advocates. Sustainable programmes are planned, prioritised and evaluated using a suite of tools including our donkey welfare assessment tool (the Hand) and competency-based learning frameworks to ensure a holistic approach in all our work.



Through sharing and building on the inherent strengths of each organisation the partnership is positioned to facilitate and support building knowledge, skills, motivation and access to resources, aiding OIE in implementing the standard.

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