

**PRESS RELEASE****Of STAKEHOLDER DELIBERATION ON EMERGING DISEASES AND CROSS-BORDER EPIDEMIC PREPAREDNESS****In the framework of the project**

"SMS-RO-UA: DEVELOPMENT OF SCREENING AND MONITORING SYSTEMS FOR EMERGING DISEASES AND PREVENTION OF CROSS-BORDER EPIDEMICS IN THE CURRENT CONTEXT"

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In Odesa State Agrarian University

On January 20, 2026, a discussion event with stakeholders on new diseases and preparedness for cross-border epidemics will be held remotely (using the Zoom service) at Odesa State Agrarian University, as a project partner, in order to raise awareness of new diseases and prevent cross-border epidemics.

The purpose of the event in Odesa is to raise awareness of a wide range of stakeholders (representatives of local governments and executive authorities, industry agencies, non-governmental organizations, higher education institutions, research organizations, medical centers etc.) on animal welfare and well-being in the One Health concept, the results of the project activities of the Odesa State Agrarian University within the project for 1 period of its implementation, as well as familiarization with the updated requirements for state control over compliance with animal health and welfare legislation and their compliance with European Union law.

The event will cover the following topics:

- Cross-border epidemics in the modern context;
- First project results: partners, activities, participants, EU project funding;
- Joint research on emerging diseases in the cross-border region: sampling and analysis;
- Feed and feed additives as a factor in the spread of cross-border animal diseases;
- State control over compliance with legislation on food, feed, animal by-products, animal health and welfare.

Expected results of the event:

- Raising awareness of the project, which is implemented with the support of the European Union, and involving key stakeholders in forming a communication framework;
- Building a sustainable partnership ecosystem to ensure the long-term effectiveness of the initiative and strengthening the reputation of project activities among interested persons;
- Expanding citizens' understanding of the significance and benefits of their active cooperation as project stakeholders;
- Deepening competence in preventive strategies for infectious animal diseases spreading across borders;
- Mastering the current norms of national legislation of Ukraine and European legal regulation in the field of veterinary medicine and animal welfare protection.

FUNDING

- Total project budget - 418.063,41 EUR
- Total EU grant - 376.257,06 EUR
- EU grant for OSAU - 130.273,92 EUR

PROJECT PARTNERS

Lead Partner - Youth public organization "New European Generation" (Ukraine)

Partner 2 - Veterinary Sanitary and Food Safety Directorate Tulcea (Romania)

Partner 3 - Odesa State Agrarian University (Ukraine)

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Registration starts at 11:45.

Event starts at 12:00

You can join the event at the link

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/2620118884?pwd=izuFBSMob6f5DjIQJl38zJew8Ty03Z.1&omn=85353713958>

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