

ASEM Workshop on Avian Influenza Control

Beijing Asian Hotel, China, 12-14 November 2007

Ministry of Agriculture, P. R. China

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The Sixth ASEM Summit endorsed the Chinese initiative of holding an ASEM Workshop on Avian Influenza Control. To follow up on this proposal, the Ministry of Agriculture of China will host the Workshop in Beijing on November 12-14, 2007.

I. Objective

The Workshop aims to promote Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) prevention and control through exchanging experience on policy, regulations and technical measures, and exploring cooperation mechanisms for ASEM countries.

II. Topics

1. To exchange experiences in developing laws, regulations, emergency response plan in combating HPAI.
2. To conduct technological exchange on HPAI rapid testing, monitoring and emergency treatment, given that HPAI is characterized by rapid virus mutation and multiple virus types.
3. To exchange experiences and practices on development and application of HPAI vaccine and other prevention and control materials.
4. To explore the possibility of establishing a cooperation mechanism on HPAI prevention and control among ASEM members. To study how the mechanism could be coordinated with global HPAI controlling schemes and how to provide technical assistance to developing countries.
5. To exchange the latest scientific and technological research progress on HPAI prevention and control.

III. Time and Venue

The Workshop will be held in Beijing Asian Hotel on 12-14 November 2007. The preparatory and plenary meeting will be held on 12-13

November. A field visit will be organized on 14 November.

IV. Participants

Government officials, experts and professional researchers of ASEM partners are expected to attend the Workshop. 1-3 participants from each ASEM member country are expected. Representatives from relevant international organizations are welcome to attend the workshop.

V. Expenses

Participants are expected to pay for their own international travel and accommodation. The Chinese government will cover the organizing and administrative cost of the Workshop.

VI. Registration

All delegates are kindly requested to send the completed registration forms by 30 September 2007 to the contact persons.

VII. Contact persons

Participating ASEM member is kindly requested to designate a contact person for the convenience of coordination and communication and it would be highly appreciated if the relevant information could be provided.

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Tentative Program

12 November 2007, Monday

- 9:00 – 18:00 Registration
- 14:00 Preparatory Meeting
- Welcome remarks
 - Adoption of agenda
 - Confirmation of speakers for each topic
- 18:30 Dinner/Reception

13 November 2007, Tuesday

- 9:00–10:00 Opening Session
1. Welcome address
 2. Introduction and adoption of agenda
- 10:00–10:30 Tea Break
- 10:30–13:00 Session I – The current situation and strategy for HPAI prevention and control
1. Presentation: 2-3 speakers (to be confirmed)
 2. Plenary discussion
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:00 Session II – Progress of scientific research and technical measures on control of HPAI
1. Presentation: 2-3 speakers (to be confirmed)
 2. Plenary discussion
- 15:30 Tea Break
- 16:00 Session III – Possibility of establishing a cooperation mechanism on HPAI prevention and control among ASEM members
1. Presentation: 2-3 speakers (to be confirmed)
 2. Plenary discussion
- 17:30 Session IV: Summary and concluding remarks

14 November 2007, Wednesday

Field Visit

Animal husbandry operations in the suburb of Beijing

Registration Form

(Please send this form back to the contact persons by 30th Sep.)

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Country / Organization					
Name of participant	(Mr./Mrs./Ms.)				
Title and institution					
Status	Head of Delegation		Member		
Email					
Telephone		Fax			
Visa requirement (yes or no)		If yes Number of Passport			
Hotel reservation	Discounted Rate (RMBYuan)	11 Nov	12 Nov	13 Nov	14 Nov
Standard	680				
Superior	780				
Executive superior	980				
Suite	1480				
Executive suite	1680				
Date and Time of Arrival Flight Number					
Date and Time of Departure Flight Number					
Field visit on 14 Nov	Yes		No		

* Room rate includes breakfast for one. The current foreign exchange rate:
US\$:RMB=100:756.97 (As of 27 July 2007)

Address of Beijing Asian Hotel: 8 Xinzhong Xijie, Gongti Beilu, Beijing, P. R. China
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Please book the hotel through the Meeting organizer or with the Hotel directly.