

# Traceability as a prerequisite for healthy farm animals Implementation in Europe and international developments - Part 1 -

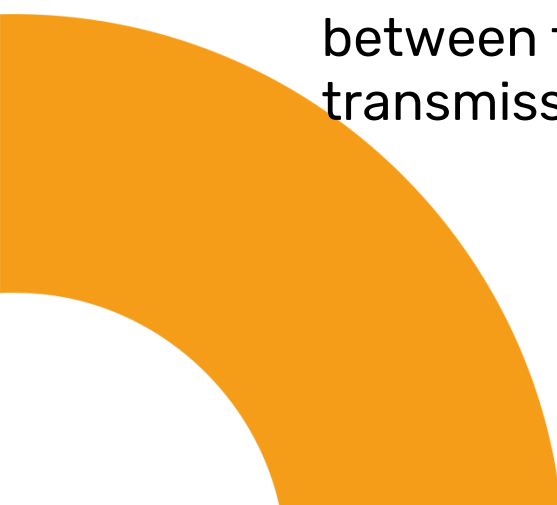
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## Implementation of Traceability in Europe

- Comprehensive, regulatory framework for animal identification, registration and traceability (→ AHL)
- Extent of cooperation with stakeholders (farmers organisations) and implementation procedures vary between EU member states
- Traceability systems / central databases focus on national / public biosecurity risks
- User-friendliness for farmers not always assured (single entry, digital data flow, double registration, access to data)

## Traceability Systems improve biosecurity on farm level

- Knowing the health status of animals moving onto the establishment
  - Recording health events on farm (vaccination, treatments, sample taking)
  - Assuring health status for animals moving off the establishment (health certificate)
  - Minimising the risk for an animal disease spreading between farms (knowing the prevalence, dissemination, transmission of a disease)
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# Traceability as a prerequisite for healthy farm animals Implementation in Europe and international developments - Part 2 -

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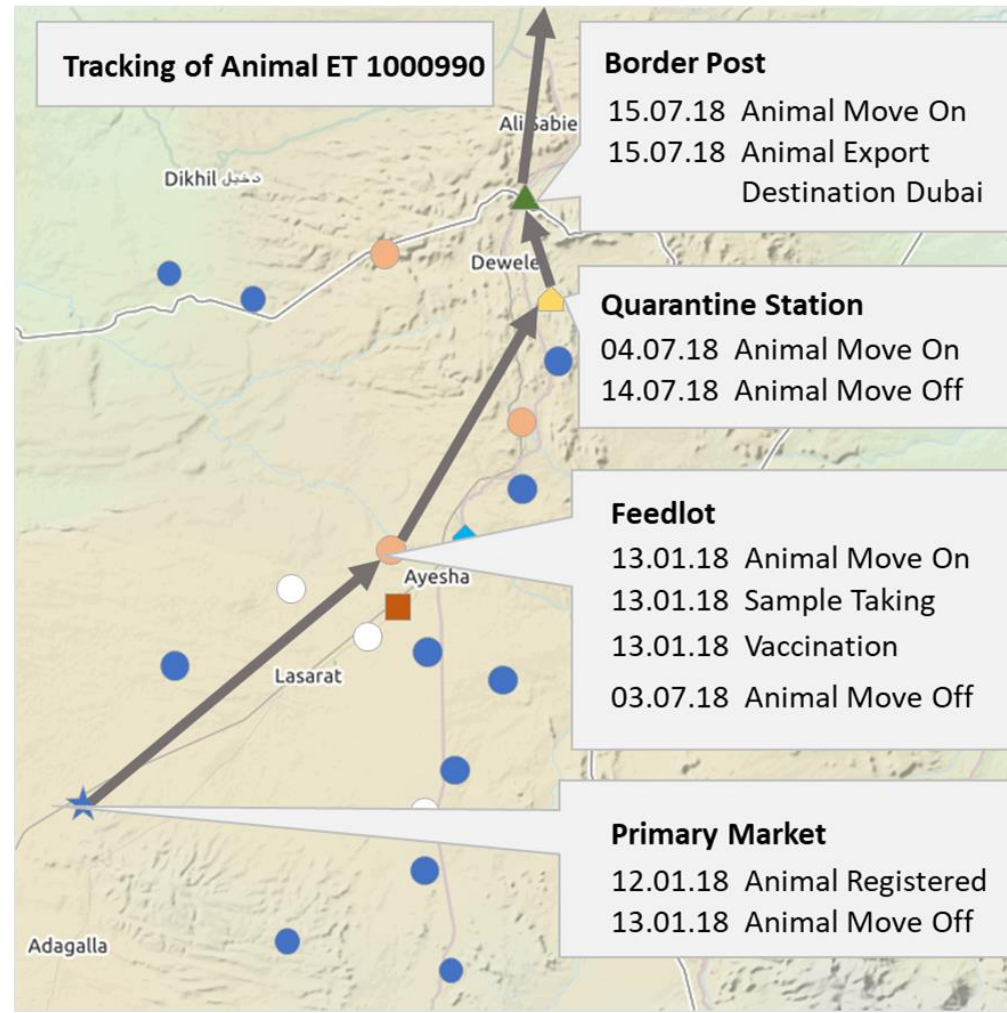


## International Developments

- Setting-up and operation of Traceability Systems in EU Neighbourhood countries
  - Countries to the South / South East / East
  - Aiming compliance with EU provisions
  - Supported by TA and EU funding, often in co-operation with partners from EU member states
- Traceability is a prerequisite for international trade of livestock and animal products
  - Equivalence (SPS-agreement)
  - OIE – Terrestrial Animal Health Code

## International Example: Ethiopia

- The trigger is international market access
- Facilitating biosecurity thru group wise application of animal health measures (up to six months before export)



## International experience: Ethiopia

- Complete monitoring from primary markets to border posts with animal registration, recording of movements, vaccinations, sample taking
- Producing of an (electronic) export certificate

