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[Can the coronavirus give us hope in tackling climate change?](#)

Eco-Business-10/03/2020

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THEMATIC	HEADLINE – JOURNAL - DATE – ARTICLE’S LEAD	OIE COMMUNICATIONS UNIT COMMENTS
<p>OIE Activities</p> <p>National Focal Points Training</p>	<p><u>Santé Animale : Ouverture d’un atelier sous-régional de formation des Points Focaux Nationaux</u></p> <p><i>Abdijan.net-09/03/2020</i></p> <p>À l’initiative de l’OIE, cet atelier s’inscrit dans le cadre du renforcement des capacités des pays ciblés. Ainsi du 09 au 13 mars au Golf hôtel, Cocody, les participants vont bénéficier d’un renforcement de capacités. Selon les initiateurs, cet atelier participatif vise à initier et renforcer un réseautage des acteurs impliqués au niveau des services vétérinaires et de la faune sauvage. Et ce, afin d’élaborer un protocole national de surveillance intégrée des Fièvres Hémorragiques Virales (FHV) dans la faune sauvage.</p>	<p>Excerpt</p> <p>“Un atelier sous-régional de formation des Points Focaux Nationaux de l’Organisation Mondiale de la Santé Animale (OIE) s’est ouvert ce lundi 09 mars sur les protocoles de surveillance des fièvres hémorragiques virales dans la faune sauvage.”</p> <p>Relevant OIE resources:</p> <p><u>Capacity building and surveillance for viral haemorrhagic fevers - EBO-SURSY Project</u></p> <p><i>OIE Africa website-10/03/2020</i></p>
<p>Emerging diseases</p> <p>COVID-19</p>	<p><u>Les animaux domestiques peuvent-ils attraper le coronavirus et le transmettre ?</u></p> <p><i>Le Monde-06/03/2020</i></p> <p>De faibles traces de virus ont été trouvées sur un chien dont la maîtresse était atteinte du Covid-19 à Hongkong, mais les autorités considèrent, pour l’heure, qu’il n’est qu’un porteur passif.</p> <p><u>No evidence pets can get, spread COVID-19 even after dog in Hong Kong tested weak positive</u></p> <p><i>WDJT-10/03/2020</i></p>	<p>Excerpt</p> <p>“Le petit chien de salon, de race poméranienne, qui est au centre de l’attention de la communauté vétérinaire de Hongkong et de l’Organisation mondiale de la santé animale (OIE), avait été placé en quarantaine le 25 février, dès la confirmation que sa maîtresse, une femme de 60 ans, était malade.”</p>

[VERIFY: Can your pet get sick from COVID-19?](#)

CBS News 8-10/03/2020

[Can humans catch coronavirus from their pets?](#)

Financial Times-07/03/2020

[Coronavirus: comment protéger les animaux domestiques?](#)

Radio Canada-06/03/2020

Alors qu'un test de dépistage du coronavirus fait à un chien de Hong Kong a donné un résultat positif, les experts recommandent aux personnes infectées de garder leurs animaux domestiques en quarantaine. Les autorités de la santé de Hong Kong ont testé le chien d'un patient qui avait le COVID-19 et ont détecté un faible niveau du coronavirus dans sa bouche et son museau.

[Covid-19 : toujours au stade 2, la France prend de nouvelles mesures](#)

Destination Santé-09/03/2020

À l'issue d'un conseil de défense consacré au coronavirus, le ministre de la Santé Olivier Véran a annoncé de nouvelles mesures destinées à contenir la propagation du virus. Les rassemblements de plus de 1 000 personnes « non indispensables à la continuité de la vie de la Nation » sont désormais interdits.

[Covid-19 : la France prend des mesures drastiques](#)

Franceinfo-09/03/2020

[Coronavirus Covid-19 : un délai de 5 jours entre l'infection et les symptômes](#)

Sciences et Avenir-09/03/2020

La durée médiane d'apparition des symptômes du coronavirus Covid-19 s'élève à 5 jours selon une récente étude. Ces travaux montrent également comment certains patients passent sous les radars des médecins, malgré la quarantaine.

[Coronavirus: Chicken prices fall, poultry industry affected](#)

ETRetail.com-09/03/2020

People were avoiding consumption of meat, fish, chicken, and egg etc. Due to the fall in demand,

Related study

[The Incubation Period of Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) From Publicly Reported Confirmed Cases: Estimation and Application](#)
Ann Intern Med – 10/03/2020

Excerpt

“Speaking on the rumours, Giriraj Singh claimed that according to the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE), coronavirus is transmitted through human contact, and there has been no evidence of the virus communicating from

	<p>wholesale price of chicken had dropped by as much as 70 per cent. As a result, chicken was now available at Rs 100-150 per kg in retail compared with Rs 180-200 earlier on.</p> <p><u>Italy expands travel restrictions to entire country as coronavirus spreads</u> <i>The Hill-09/03/2020</i></p> <p>Italy's government on Monday announced it is expanding travel restrictions to the entire country amid growing fears over the spread of the novel coronavirus. Prime Minister Giuseppe Conte made the announcement one day after Rome imposed similar restrictions in the north of the country.</p>	<p>animals to humans or humans to animals.”</p>
<p>Animal Welfare</p>	<p><u>KENYA: Government bans killing of donkeys threatened by Chinese trade</u> AFRIK 21-09/03/2020</p> <p>The Kenyan government has legalised the commercial slaughter of animals (including donkeys) in 2012 to meet China’s sharply rising demand. Donkey skins are highly prized in Chinese markets where they are believed to have many medicinal properties. For example, it could be used to supply the demand for ejiao, a mixture used in Chinese medicine to treat several diseases (anaemia, reproductive problems and insomnia). The ejiao market is worth several million dollars.</p>	<p>Related OIE position article: <u>In light of recent events, OIE highlights activities to protect donkey health and welfare.</u> <i>OIE Africa website-03/05/2019</i></p>
<p>Food Security</p>	<p><u>Locusts: An unprecedented threat to food security & livelihood in Africa</u> <i>Devdiscourse-09/03/2020</i></p> <p>The situation remains alarming in four countries of Eastern Africa - Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia and Somalia - popularly known as the Horn of Africa. According to reports of Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO), locusts are populating in Somalia while mature locust swarms are arising from Kenya and infesting other countries.</p> <p><u>Humanitarian agencies fear looming locust catastrophe</u> <i>Independent-10/03/2020</i></p>	
<p>Animal Health</p>		

<p>Avian influenza</p>	<p><u>Alert in Kozhikode after reports of bird flu cases</u> <i>The Hindu-07/03/2020</i></p> <p>The Department of Animal Husbandry has issued guidelines to the people and directed its staff to be on alert after bird flu cases were reported from Kozhikode district in Kerala. According to sources, the disease was confirmed among chicken in a farm in Kodyathur grama panchayat, and at a private nursery in Vengeri within Kozhikode Corporation limits on Friday.</p> <p><u>COVID-19, Bird flu: Poultry farmers face loss of Rs 500 cr</u> <i>Mathrubhumi English-10/03/2020</i></p> <p><u>Poultry Farmers in Kerala are in Grave Worry as Bird Flu Outbreaks</u> <i>Krishi Jagran (press release) (blog)-09/03/2020</i></p> <p><u>Chicken prices nosedive in Kerala</u> <i>The Hindu BusinessLine-09/03/2020</i></p> <p><u>Now, bird flu scare in Mysuru</u> <i>The Hindu-09/03/2020</i></p> <p>After the COVID-19 scare, an alert has been issued in Mysuru district following reports of bird flu cases in Kerala and the authorities of Department of Animal Husbandry here are keeping a close watch on the unusual deaths of birds, including poultry and migratory birds, as a precautionary measure.</p> <p><u>COVID-19, Bird Flu Scare: High Alert In Mysuru Zoo, Ranganathittu Bird Sanctuary</u> <i>Source locale-Star of Mysore-09/03/2020</i></p>	<p>India (H5N?, H7N?)</p>
<p>African Swine Fever</p>	<p><u>Where Covid-19 and African Swine Fever meet</u> <i>Pig Progress (blog)-09/03/2020</i></p> <p>Who would have thought – a different virus has taken over the headlines. No longer it is African Swine Fever dominating the columns online and in the papers, but Coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19) is. A virus that does not affect swine yet indirectly affects the swine business.</p> <p><u>USDA announces action plan for African swine fever</u> <i>AGDAILY-09/03/2020</i></p> <p>The USDA's Under Secretary for Marketing and</p>	

Regulatory Programs, Greg Ibach, announced additional measures to control and eradicate African swine fever if the virus is ever detected in the U.S.

[30 pigs die in first case of African Swine Fever in La Union](#)

Manila Bulletin-07/03/2020

The city government of San Fernando confirmed on March 8 the first case of African Swine Fever (ASF) that killed 30 pigs in a local farm in Barangay Cadaclan this city.

Philippines

[S. Korea reports 5 more African swine fever cases in wild boars](#)

Yonhap News-08/03/2020

An environment agency said Sunday it has found five more wild boars infected with the deadly African swine fever (ASF) virus in areas near the inter-Korean border. The discoveries raised the number of wild boar infections in the country to 325.

[Korea \(Rep. of\)](#)

[Hagedorn addresses concerns on African Swine Fever](#)

KEYC-07/03/2020

Congressman Jim Hagedorn, USDA Under Secretary Greg Ibach and Minnesota Pork CEO David Preisler led the discussion giving area farmers and producer leaders chances to voice their concerns, like blocking the spread of the African Swine Fever into North America. The African Swine Fever is a disease in pigs that has claimed the lives of more than one million pigs in China.

[PPA: 18 mois plus tard, quelle est la situation actuelle?](#)

Sillon Belge-09/03/2020

Depuis le début de la crise, amorcée en septembre 2018 suite à la découverte de cadavres de sangliers infectés par le virus de la peste porcine africaine (PPA) dans le sud de la province de Luxembourg, différentes mesures ont été prises pour endiguer l'épidémie.

Rabies

[Bath council reaffirms trapping plan to combat rabies](#)

<p>Transboundary animal diseases</p>	<p><i>Press Herald-10/03/2020</i> Bath city councilors 4-2 to move forward with plans to trap and kill wild animals to reduce the risk of human interaction with wildlife, they said, not stymie the spread of rabies. Last month, the city council decided to partner with the U.S. Department of Agriculture to trap species known to carry rabies, such as gray and red foxes, skunks and raccoons.</p> <p><u>Bath moves forward with trapping plan</u> <i>WMTW Portland-10/03/2020</i></p> <p><u>Urgency in US to prepare to respond to transboundary diseases</u> <i>The Pig Site-08/03/2020</i> A real sense of urgency exists in the US swine industry regarding preparedness to respond to transboundary diseases like African swine fever (ASF) and porcine epidemic diarrhoea virus (PEDV), according to Dr. Derald Holtkamp, professor at Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine and also chair of the outbreak investigations seminar at the American Association of Swine Veterinarians (AASV) conference in Atlanta.</p>	
<p>Aquatic Animals</p>	<p><u>Smuggler pays for eel gotten gains</u> <i>The Fish Site-09/03/2020</i> A UK-based trader has been sentenced to a suspended two-year prison sentence having been found guilty of smuggling around 5.3 million European eels from Spain, through the UK and on to East Asia.</p> <p><u>Man convicted over multi-million pound endangered eel smuggling ring</u> <i>International-ENDS Report-09/03/2020</i></p>	
<p>Wildlife</p>	<p><u>WWF Urges SE Asia to Ban Unregulated Wildlife Trade Amid Coronavirus Outbreak</u> <i>Voice of America-08/03/2020</i> The coronavirus epidemic prompted China to ban the unregulated trade of wildlife and the consumption of wild animals. Now the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) is calling on Southeast Asia -- a key hub of wildlife trafficking and source of contraband for Chinese customers -- to follow in China's footsteps.</p>	

	<p><u>Coronavirus spread should prompt new UN taskforce to tackle illegal wildlife trade, peers and MPs say</u> Telegraph.co.uk-08/03/2020 The spread of coronavirus should prompt a new UN taskforce to tackle the illegal wildlife trade, peers and MPs say today. In a letter to The Sunday Telegraph, campaigners argue that the current system is not fit for purpose and allows criminals to make billions from the theft and sale of wildlife, to the detriment of human health.</p>	
<p>Biodiversity</p>	<p><u>How biodiversity loss is hurting our ability to combat pandemics</u> <i>World Economic Forum (blog)-09/03/2020</i> The frequency of disease outbreaks has been increasing steadily. Between 1980 and 2013 there were 12,012 recorded outbreaks, comprising 44 million individual cases and affecting every country in the world. A number of trends have contributed to this rise, including high levels of global travel, trade and connectivity, and high-density living - but the links to climate change and biodiversity are the most striking.</p>	
<p>Climate Change</p>	<p><u>Can the coronavirus give us hope in tackling climate change?</u> <i>Eco-Business-10/03/2020</i> Coronavirus has disrupted everyday life throughout the world through travel bans, flight restrictions and the cancellation of sporting and cultural events. Despite the costs and inconveniences these actions impose, the general public is generally quiescent, even approving. But coronavirus is not the only global crisis we face: the climate crisis, as others have noted, is expected to be more devastating. Some have observed that the response to the two crises is starkly different.</p> <p><u>The COVID-19 Effect: why coronavirus is eclipsing Thunberg on climate change</u> <i>University of Birmingham-09/03/2020</i></p> <p><u>Coronavirus should give us hope that we are able to tackle the climate crisis</u></p>	

The Conversation UK-09/03/2020

[Coronavirus outbreak causes decline in China greenhouse gas emissions](#)

The Independent-07/03/2020

Meanwhile, as the virus enters a second phase, spreading beyond China to other countries, it is dampening global demand for oil and air travel, and threatening overall global economic growth. All of these are strongly linked to greenhouse gas emissions. While it's too early to say for sure, if these trends continue, the coronavirus could join rare company.