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CABI activity in Kosovo

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Brief information regarding ASF in Kosovo¹



















- Kosovo during the 2023 was affected by ASF cases in domestic (backyard) pig premises and wild boars.
- The first outbreak on domestic pigs was on 13.07.2023 and the last on 19.09.2023 in Klllokot municipality. In total from outbreak zone (87 pig premises) positive tested animal 35 pigs and 1081 pigs were culled.
- Regarding the wild boar outbreaks, the first was on 17.07.2023 and the last on 30.08.2023 - Dragash municipality. In total 4 wild boars were found dead, all buried by the local hunting association.



¹ All references to Kosovo should be understood to be in the context of United Nations Security Council resolution 1244 (1999).

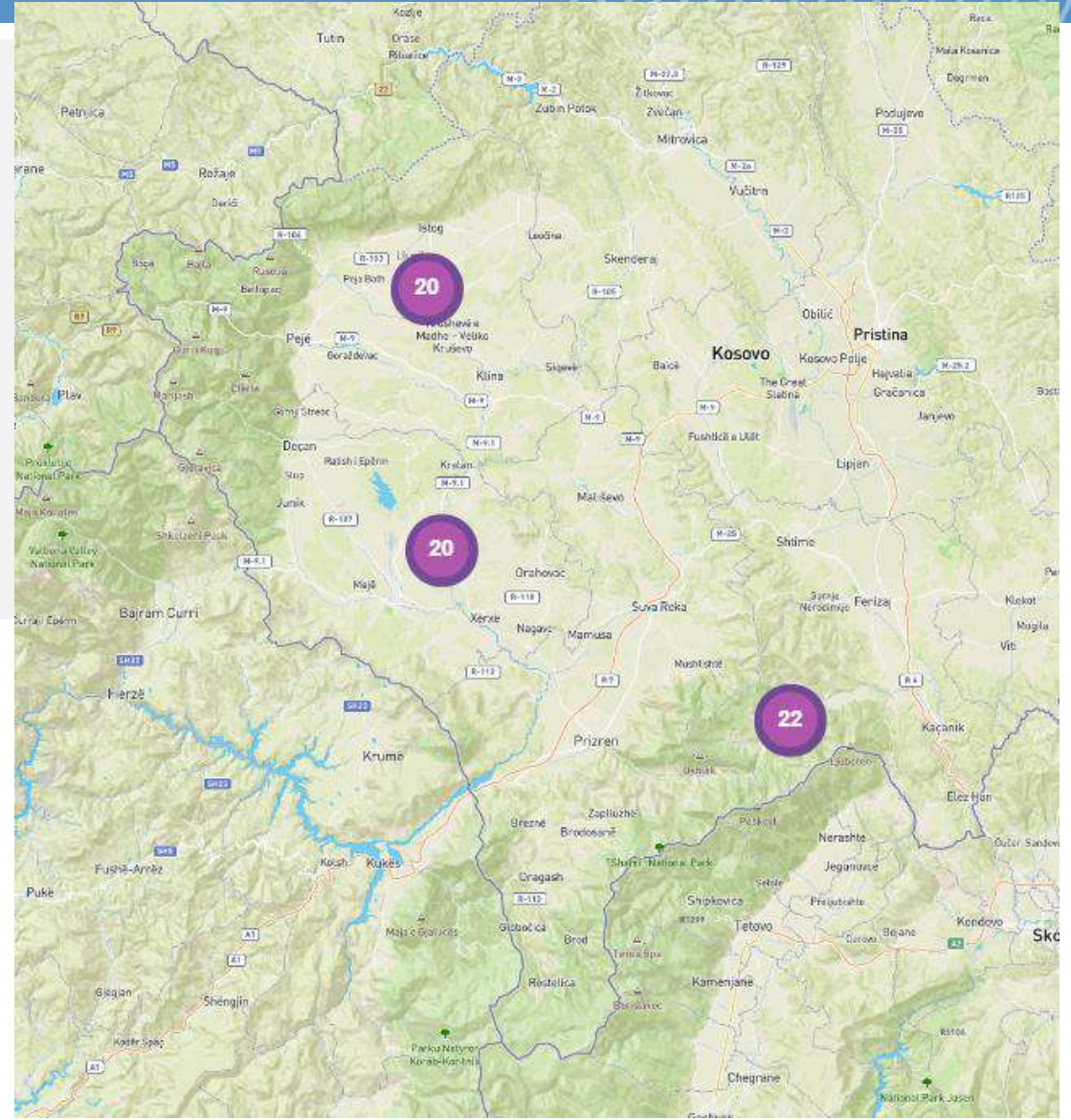
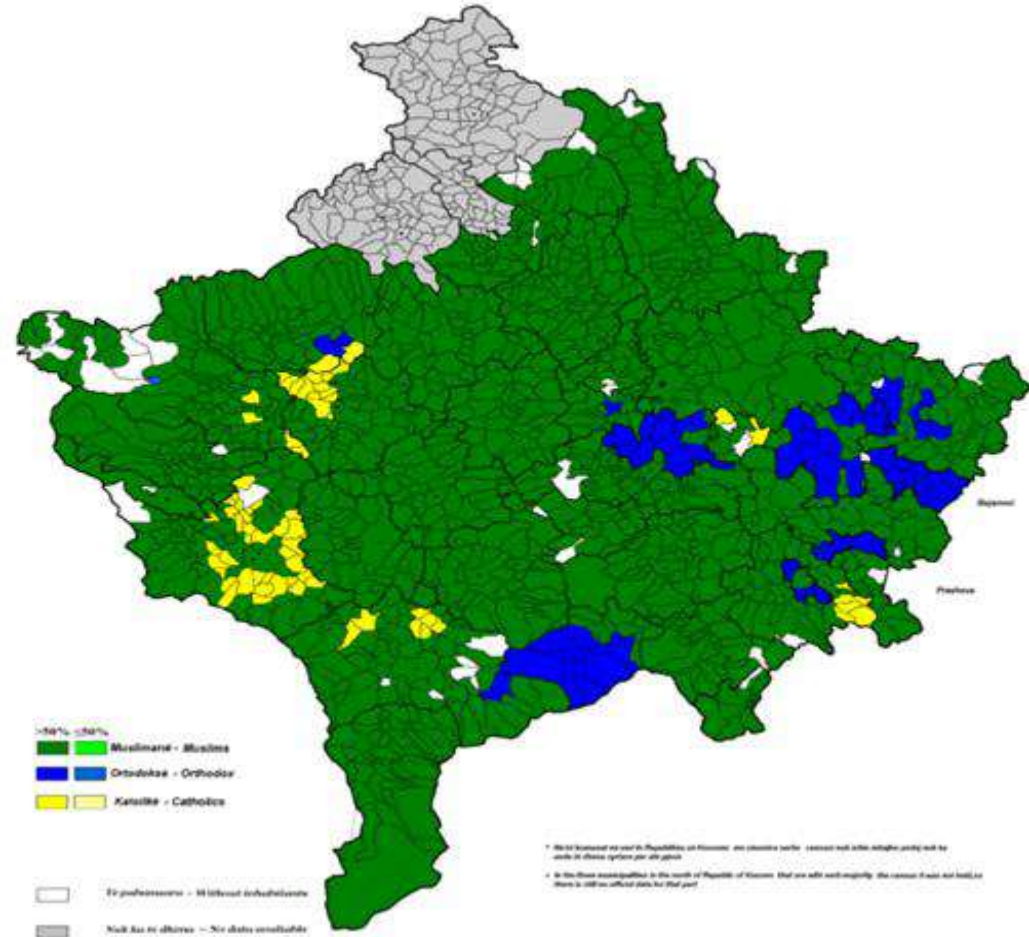
Activity planning in coordination with FVA (Food Veterinary Agency) of Kosovo

- Selected 3 villages :
 - a. Strpce (Serbian community) southern part of Kosovo,
 - b. Doblibare (Albanian community) west part and
 - c. Gjurakoc (Albanian community) west-north part
- Survey activity data collected through Epicollect5 application
 - a. Farm Survey activity done from 16th Oct - 31st Oct 2024, in total with 62 backyard pig keepers/farmers.
 - b. Village survey activity done from 25th Oct – 1st Nov 2024, in 3 villages.

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Trainings with CABI farmers

■ Trainings topics and content:

1. Feeding & Breeding of pigs and their risks for African swine fever (ASF)
 - Community African swine fever Biosecurity intervention and ASF
 - Introduction to breeding of pigs
 - Introduction feeding of pigs
2. Pig Diseases and ASF
 - Pig diseases in general
 - Parasitic pig diseases
 - Respiratory pig diseases
 - Gastrointestinal pig diseases
 - Specially important pig disease: African swine fever
3. Biosecurity and C&D
 - Brief introduction to biosecurity
 - Protecting yourself from diseases
 - Protecting your animals from diseases : farm biosecurity
 - How to cleaning and disinfect?





Trainings with CABI farmers

■ Trainings together with Agro-economist:

a. presentation with details/procedures to explore how CABI farmers could get access to support from Ministry of Agriculture through Grants and also searching opportunities for soft loans, considering current legislation – unfortunately the second option (through soft loans) is not interested for farmers due to high interest of banks or loan agencies.

b. Field visits at villages – pig backyard premises



Findings of baseline survey from Kosovo (62 farms surveyed)

- All farmers were male, with an average age of 54 years and in average with 22 years of experience in keeping pigs;
- Average backyard farm has 3 pigs. Pig are kept for own consumption (73%), but some sell or give away the animals (27%);
- Home slaughter is widely practice either by themselves or with the help of a butcher;
- Knowledge on ASF was very low and main risk factors are not understood (people, vehicles, swill feeding, sharing of equipment);
- Using kitchen leftover is used on many farms (56%);
- Most (95%) of farmers have dedicated working clothes, but only some (30%) wash hands before tending to their pigs;
- Visitors do not have to take any extra measures before going to pigs;
- While cleaning of the pig pen is done weekly , disinfectant is not used and how to properly use disinfectants is not understood.



Preparation and distribution of Biosecurity package to CABI farmers

- Boots
- Brush (with long handle and small one)
- Detergent
- Disinfectant (Peral S)
- Sprayer



Next activity planning:

Biosecurity implementation - field visits to CABI farmers

- a. Foreseen period 6th – 14th of February
- b. Monitoring of practical implementation/correct usage of Biosecurity package (items).

Second round of Farm surveys – field visits to CABI farmers

- a. Foreseen period 17th Feb – 7th of March with 62 backyard pig keepers/farmers.
- b. Evaluating effects of trainings – CABI farmers “changing” in attitudes.

Meeting and presentation of results to Competent Authority – Food and Veterinary Agency in Kosovo

Thank you

