



**IGAD BRIEF UPDATE REPORT TO THE SPS COMMITTEE  
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**COMMUNICATION FROM THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL  
AUTHORITY ON DEVELOPMENT (IGAD)**

The following communication, received on 21 May 2022, is being circulated at the request of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD).

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1. The IGAD Center for Pastoral Areas and Livestock Development (ICPALD) is a regional technical center of IGAD (Intergovernmental Authority on Development), a regional economic community serving the seven member States in East Africa (Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Sudan, South Sudan, Somalia and Uganda).

2. Technical support provided for the above member States by IGAD/ICPALD during the reporting period to enhance transboundary animal disease control and livestock trade in the region, complementing the national development efforts of member States, includes:

**1 REGIONAL TRAINING FOR QUARANTINES**

3. The standard methods and procedures (SMP) and the SOP quarantine developed by IGAD and AU-IBAR were rolled out through regional training from 22-24 March 2022. A total of 18 officers trained from 13 quarantines in the IGAD region and these trainees will share the training materials and train their colleagues in the different quarantines. A CVOs and quarantine owners/managers meeting was also facilitated to help the operationalization of the SMP Quarantine and improve collaboration among them for enhanced TADs control and trade.

**2 INTER-REGIONAL REGULATORY BODIES MEETING**

4. The 5<sup>th</sup> IGAD exporting and Middle East and North Africa (MENA) importing countries' regulatory bodies were facilitated by IGAD on 15-16 March 2022 and discussed the status of livestock export; the challenges faced regarding compliance and processes; and made recommendations for follow up. One of the key recommendations is harmonization of test methods.

5. Acknowledgement: IGAD/ICPALD is grateful to member States, AU-IBAR, the European Union and FAO for their collaboration and/or financing the implementation of the above activities.

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