

One Health Organization, Collaboration, Implementation and Communication

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Copenhagen Recommendations at a Glance

- **Start now.** Use current networks, arrange informal talks, and identify people who can move things forward.
- **Start small and simple.** Focus on achievable goals and scale up gradually. Send an e-mail, setup a meeting, start talking.
- **Build bridges between sectors.** Personal contact often achieves more than formal letters.
- **Be inclusive.** Involve relevant stakeholders across sectors, including human, animal and plant health, environment, and food safety.
- **Create structures and continuity.** Regular meetings and agreed milestones keep progress on track.
- **Use clear language.**
- **Do more with existing data.** We have enough to act.
- **Tell more stories.** Share examples of cooperation that made a difference.
- **Explain the benefits.** Show policymakers, including by using the economic argument, how collaboration (1) saves time and resources, and (2) provides a better basis for decision-making.
- **Avoid blame.** Understand and collaborate instead.
- **Educate the next generations.** Involve actors to include One Health ideas in schools and professional training.