

World Organisation for Animal Health







The OIE is digitising its archives and placing them online

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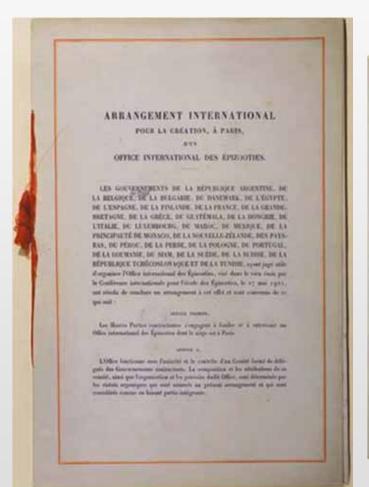
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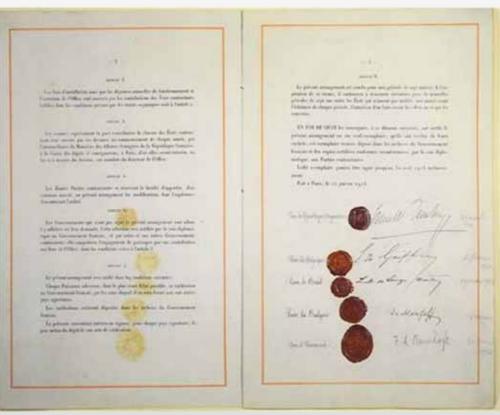


The OIE

- The OIE is an intergovernmental organisation founded in 1924 by 28 countries
 It was created before the U.N (1945)
- World Organisation for Animal Health is the Common name adopted by the International Committee on May 2003









Argentine Republic, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Denmark, Egypt, Spain, Finland, France, Great-Britain, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, Italy, Luxemburg, Morocco, Mexico, the Principality of Monaco, the Netherlands, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Siam, Sweden, Switzerland, Czechoslovak Republic and Tunisia signed the Agreement.







OFFICE INTERNATIONAL DES ÉPIZOOTIES

OF EPIZOOTICS



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DE EPIZOOTIAS

ORGANISATION INTERGOUVERNEMENTALE
CRÉÉE A PARIS PAR L'ARRANGEMENT INTERNATIONAL
DU 25 JANVIER 1924



The OIE's Objectives

Historical objectives

ANIMAL HEALTH INFORMATION:

- to ensure transparency in the global animal disease situation in order to improve animal health worldwide
- to collect, analyse and disseminate scientific veterinary information



New objectives

- to provide expertise and encourage international solidarity in the control of animal diseases
- to improve the legal framework and resources of national Veterinary Services
- to promote animal welfare



New objectives

INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

Within its World Trade Organization (WTO) mandate,

- to safeguard world trade by publishing health standards for international trade in animals and animal products
- to provide a better guarantee of the safety of food of animal origin

The OIE Today



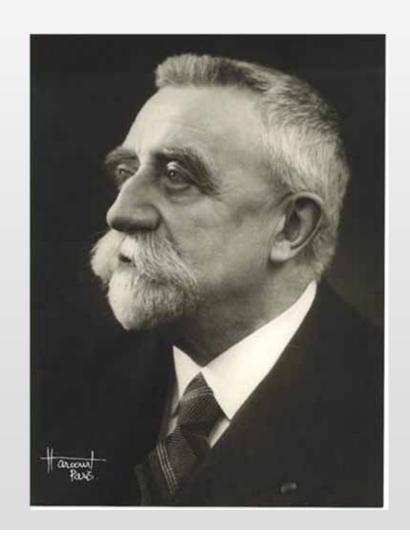
- 86 years old
- 176 Members
- Headquarters in Paris
- Permanent Regional Representations: Bamako (Mali), Buenos Aires (Argentina), Tokyo (Japan), Sofia (Bulgaria) and Beirut (Lebanon)
- Sub-regional Offices: Bangkok (Thailand), Gaborone (Botswana), Panama, Brussels (Belgium), Tunis (Tunisia) and Nairobi (Kenya)
- Regional Commissions: Africa, America, Asia-Pacific, Europe and Middle East







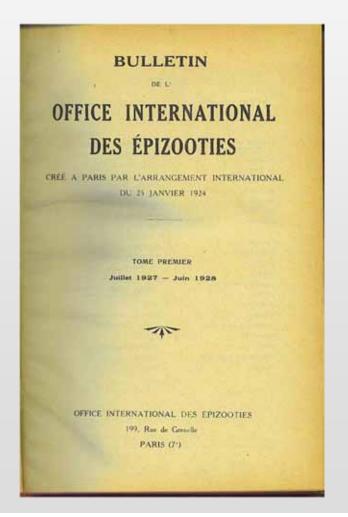
Publications



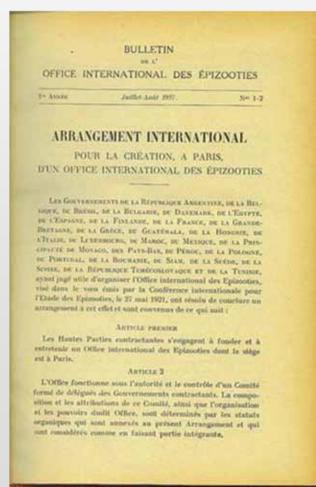


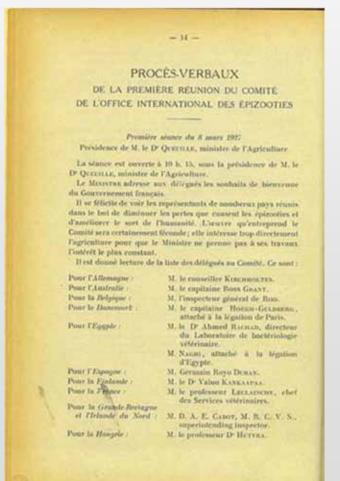
E. Leclainche, first Director general of the OIE from March 1927 till May 1949, started the first official publication of the OIE: the

« Bulletin de l'Office International des épizooties »



Volume 1 was issued in July 1927. It published the text of the International Agreement for the creation of the OIE, signed in Paris on January 25, 1924 by 28 countries and the minutes of the first meeting of its Committee







The *Bulletin* was a miscellaneous collection of reports on the activities of the OIE, containing:

- Epidemiological and regulatory information,
- Scientific articles,
- Texts on events relating to the Office,
- Proceedings and reports of the annual General Session of the International Committee,
- All official documents of the Office and its activities with other International Organisations,



- Original articles on epizootic diseases,
- Documents and information on International Meetings and Conferences, Conventions, Laws and Regulations,
- Statistics on the animal health situation in Member Countries,
- Reports of Specialist and Regional Commissions.

The 93 volumes of the *Bulletin* from 1927 to 1981 reflect the history of the Organisation.

LISTE

des Pays participant à l'Office International des Épizooties

AFRIQUE OCCIDENTALE FRANÇAISE.

ALBANIE.

ALLEMAGNE.

ARGENTINE (République).

AUSTRALIE.

AUTRICHE.

BELGIQUE.

BULGARIE.

CHYPRE.

DANEMARK.

EGYPTE.

EIRE.

ESPAGNE.

FINLANDE.

FRANCE.

GRANDE-BRETAGNE.

GRÈCE.

HONGRIE.

INDES BRITANNIQUES.

INDOCHINE.

IRAK.

ITALIE.

JAPON.

LITHUANIE.

LUXEMBOURG (Gd-Duché de).

MADAGASCAR.

MAROC.

MONACO (Principauté de).

NOUVELLE-ZÉLANDE.

PALESTINE.

PAYS-BAS.

POLOGNE.

PORTUGAL.

ROUMANIE.

RUSSIE (U.R.S.S.)

SIAM

SUÈDE.

SUISSE.

TCHÉCOSLOVAQUIE.

TUNISIE.

TURQUIE.

UNION SUD-AFRICAINE

URUGUAY.

YOUGOSLAVIE.

Adresser toutes les communications à l'Office International DES Épizooties, 9, avenue Emile-Acollas, Paris (VIIe).

BULLETIN

de l'OFFICE INTERNATIONAL des ÉPIZOOTIE

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Mai-Juin 193

DOUZIEME SESSION DU COMITÉ

l'OFFICE INTERNATIONAL des ÉPIZOOTIE

(24 au 28 mai 1938)

I. - RAPPORTS

La situation sanitaire en 1937

Dar

M. E. LECLAINCHE
Directeur de l'Office International des Epizooties

L'année 1937 est marquée, en Europe, par une invasiaphteuse, tout imprévue, qui a progressé au cours du secosemestre et qui était en pleine évolution à la fin de l'année.

Rien de particulier en ce qui concerne les contagions per manentes. Il est regrettable que les maladies qui préoccupe au plus haut point l'opinion comme la tuberculose, la malad de Bang, les mammites ne donnent point lieu à l'établisseme de statistiques dans tous les pays.



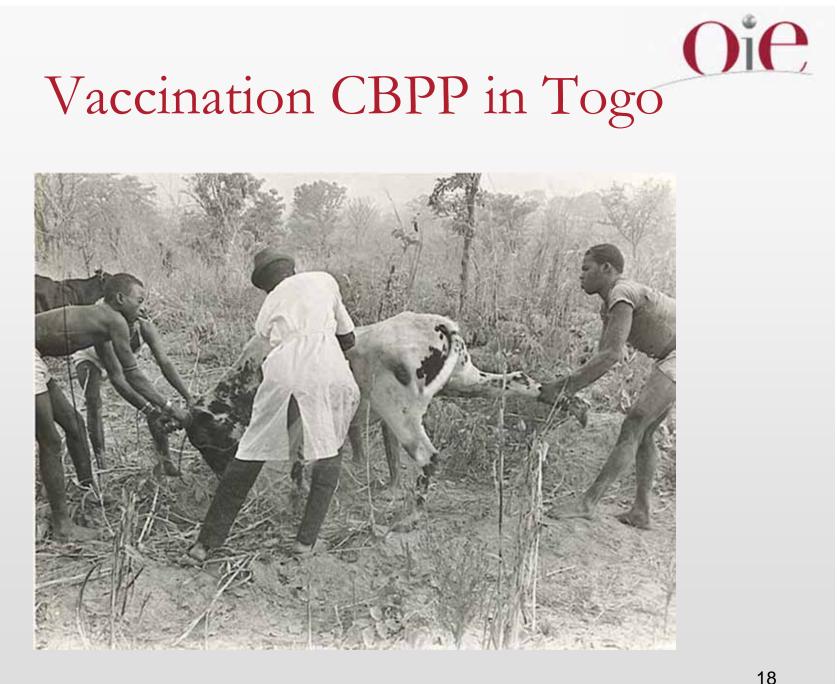
FIÈVRE APITTEUSE

L'année débute dans les conditions les plus favorables. fièvre aphteuse rétrocède depuis plusieurs années et l'am 1936 a été très calme. La plupart des pays d'Europe sont r



They also reflect the animal health situation and disease control activities throughout that period within the OIE Members Countries, the number of which increased, from 28 in 1927 to 102 in 1981 when the *Bulletin* stopped being published under its former format.







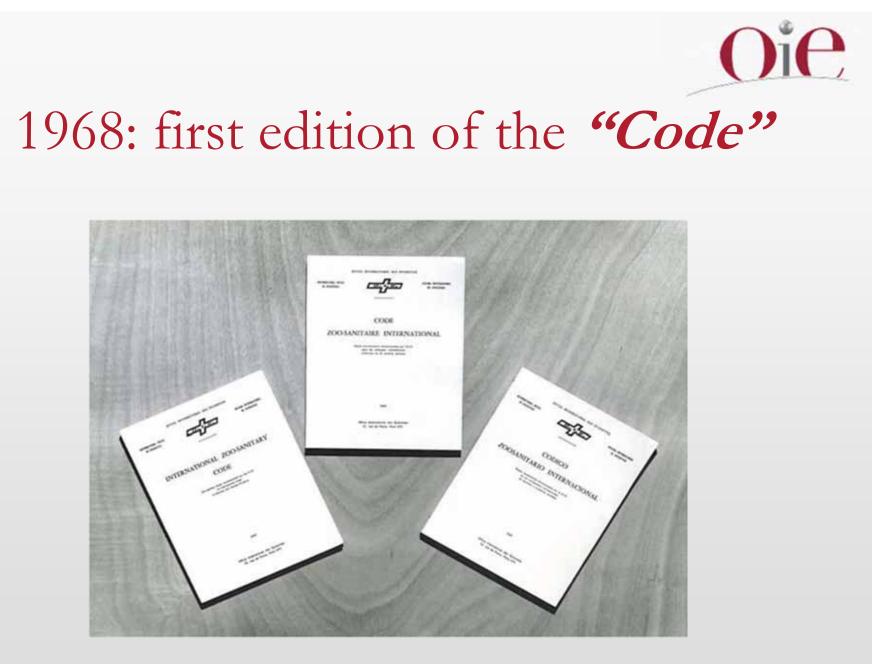
The "standards"

The International Animal Health Code:

- first called "International Zoo-sanitary Code"
- now called "Terrestrial Animal health Code"

The "Code" is the regulatory basis for world-wide trade in animals and animal products. First issued in 1968, it is revised annually





The "standards" (cont)

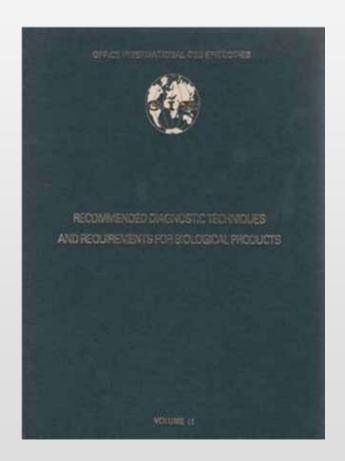
The Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines:

- a contribution to the international harmonisation of methods for the surveillance and control of the most important animal diseases
- first published in 1989



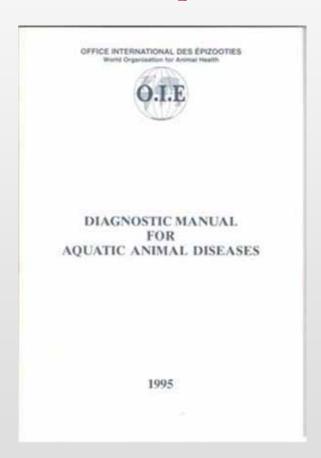
The "Manual"

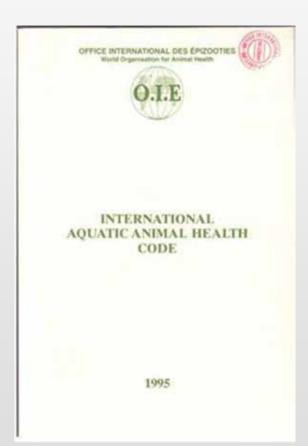






Both international standards, originally written for *Terrestrial Animals* only, have been published for *Aquatic Animals* since 1995



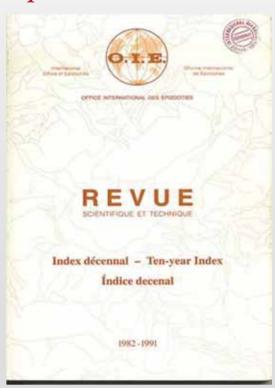


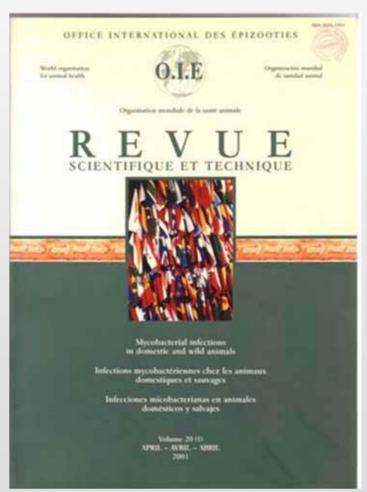
A new periodical



The Scientific and Technical Review

- quarterly
- trilingual
- First published in 1982

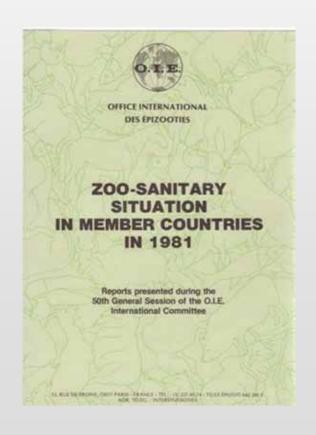


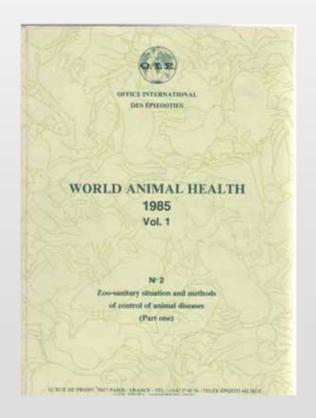




Animal Health Information

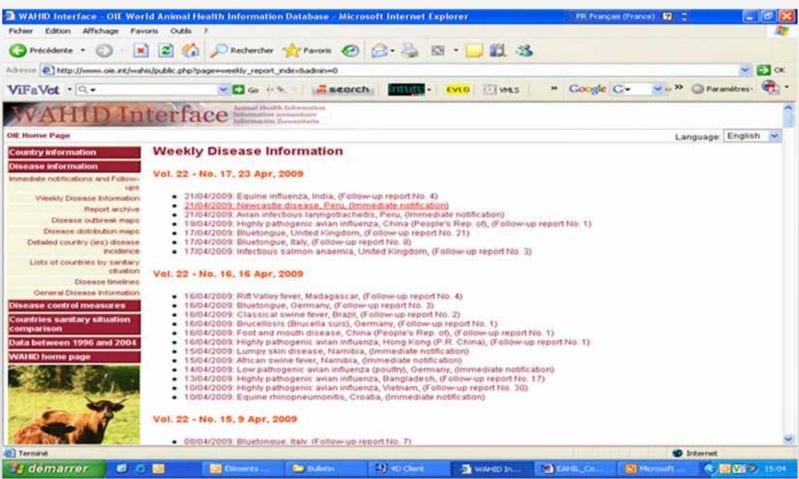
Statistics on Animal Health started to be published annually in 1959 and became **Zoo-sanitary situation** in 1981 and **World Animal Health** in 1985.







This information has been available electronically through two databases: *HandiSTATUS*, from 1996 to 2004 and *WAHID* since 2005





Tick control in Kenya





Digitisation



Background

- Physical volume of publications
- Limited space (historical headquarter)
- Limited staff (one)
- Historical importance of the collection
- Limited access to the bibliographic database (Intranet)
- Strong increase of the public need and requests for information
- Computer age



Background - The 90s'

- The Internet has changed the practical and economic realities of distributing scientific knowledge and cultural heritage
- As a result, the nature of scientific communication is changing rapidly and radically
- Digitisation programmes have been undertaken all over the world to provide 24-hour access to users via the internet

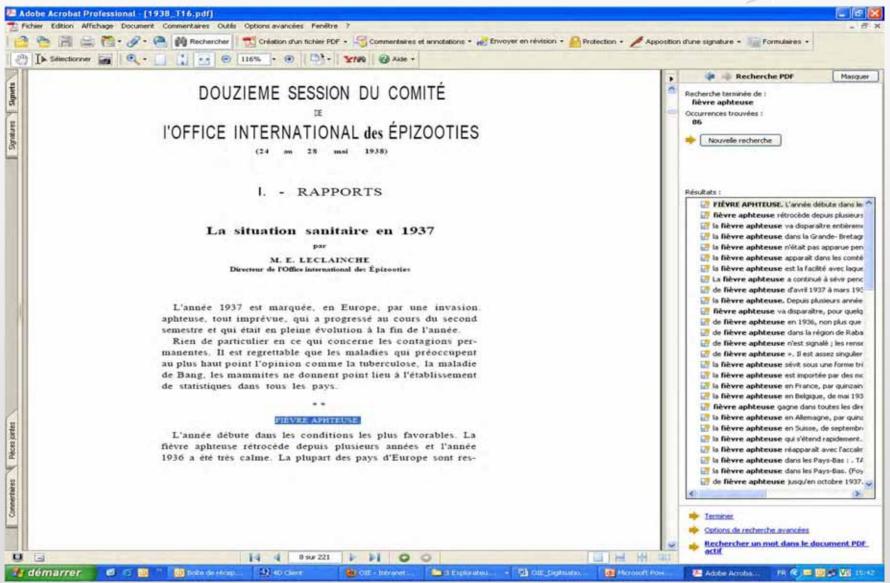


The 90s'

All along the 90s', the number of requests from the OIE Members for historical information about animal diseases statistics and management in their countries increased considerably. So did the demand from the "Public".

The OIE, having started publishing about its activities since its creation, has accumulated through the years a unique and accurate source of information in the field of animal health, animal diseases, diagnostic and control means and measures, scientific research and sanitary regulation.





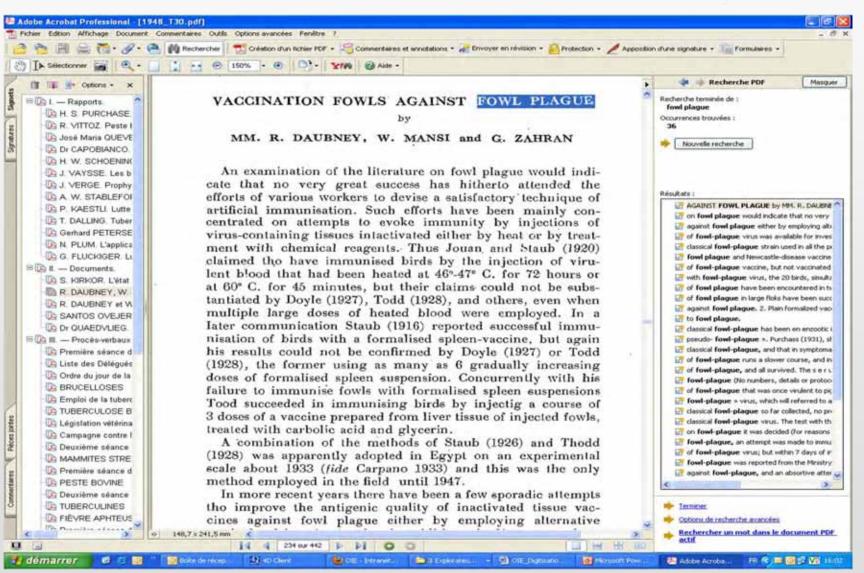


The Project

We do not only need to keep and **preserve** our collections; we also need to make them **accessible.** Through digitisation, we thought we could provide access to information which otherwise would stay hidden.

After a long period of consultation, the OIE decided to undertake the task of digitising these main archives in order to make them **available** to the public on its website.







Implementation

Definition of the needs:

- What was the objective?
- Who was the public concerned?
- What should be digitised?
- How should we implement the project?
- Which technical commitments could meet our budget?
- How did we intend to exploit the digitised documents?



The objectives

- Meet the request for information
- Meet OIE Members expectations
- Improve access to OIE publications
- Provide information that could not be found elsewhere
- Increase the perceived value of this information
- Enrich the history of public health in the 20th Century



A meeting in Switzerland in 1929





Selection of publications

In order to select which publications should be digitised first, we had to:

- Study the requests received within the last decade
- Define information most required
- Compare information produced and published by the OIE and information requested by users
- Analyse, according to the OIE objectives, the relative importance of its historical publications
- Define the publications having priority for a first digitisation programme

Then we had to define the specifications needed



Implementation (cont)

The historical publications described in part one of this presentation were chosen for this first digitisation programme:

- The "Bulletin" (1927-1981)
- The "Review" (1981-2001)
- The "Standards" (1971-1996)
- "World Animal Health" (1981-1995)



Implementation (cont)

A thorough study of existing firms specialised in digitisation and their achievements allowed us to make out a list of contacts:

- Three companies were approached and consulted between 2006 and 2008
- Several detailed estimates were produced, studied and discussed according to different levels of specifications



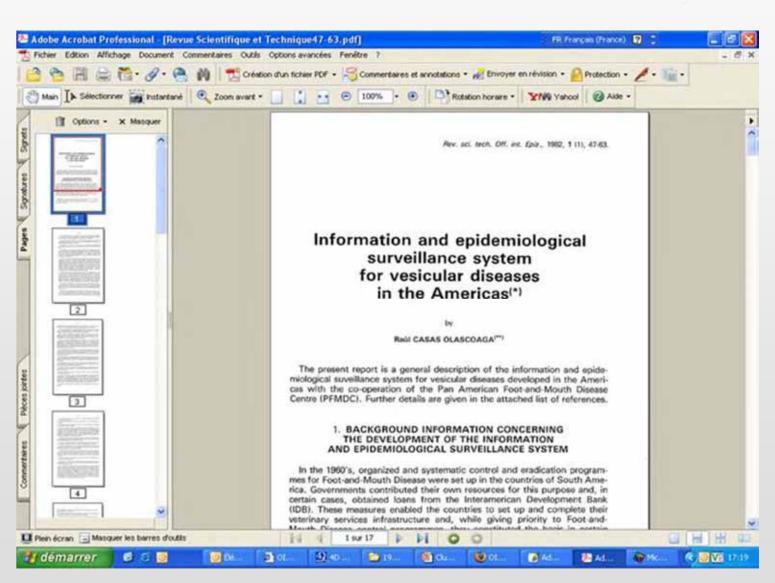
Implementation (cont)

These specifications included:

- The characteristics of the collection, its shape, format, paper quality and state of preservation
- The physical volume of the collection
- The needs and the aim of the project
- The level of quality expected
- The technical details concerning:
 - colour mode
 - Resolution rate
 - Definition
 - Size and weight of images
 - OCR rate
 - "Corrected" OCR:

The cost was also a very important criterion of decision







Then...

This first digitisation programme will hopefully be followed by others, including in priority:

- Monographs published before 1990
- Conference proceedings published separately
- Commissions reports published separately
- General Sessions reports before 1990



But...

We must keep in mind that preservation of electronic records over the long term raises a number of issues:

- Digital records are entirely dependent upon a technology changing so rapidly that the major obstacle to long-term preservation is the obsolescence of the equipment needed to view and use them
- We then need to find ways of providing continuing access to records which depend upon outdated technologies...



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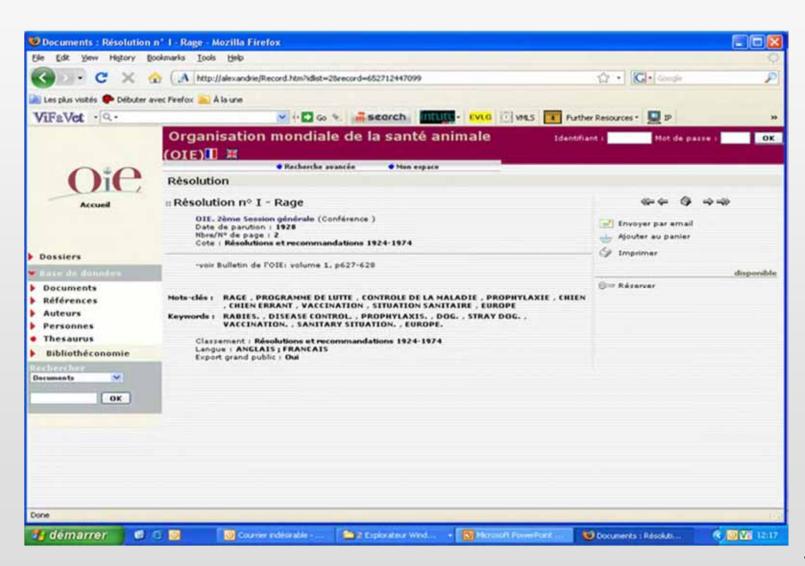
Conclusion



The final objective of the project was not only to make the collection available, but also to link it to other resources online. The electronic files obtained from the digitisation process will partly be integrated into the OIE bibliographic database, which at the present time gives access to more than 4600 referenced OIE publications, with about 2300 documents in full text.



The OIE Bibliographic Database





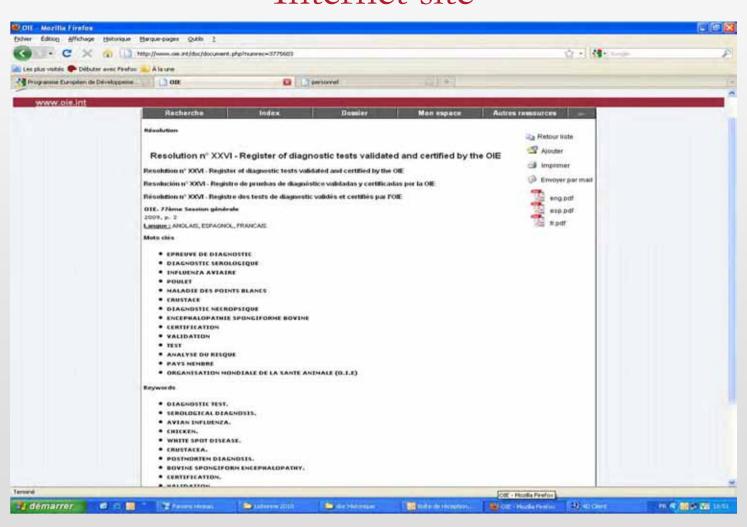
With this digitisation project, the OIE is focusing mainly on providing information that could not be found elsewhere.

By increasing access to its collections through digitisation, the OIE will be able to meet its Members expectations and greatly expand its information potential. We shall also make our publications better known and increase the perceived value of our information.

The public online access to OIE's publications will be considerably enriched with several thousand documents being available reflecting the history of the OIE activities through more than eighty years of existence.



The new OIE Documents Database on the Internet site





Conclusion (cont)

We shall also:

- increase the visibility of the Organisation
- valorise its actions since its creation
- attract attention towards its activities
- focus interest on its publications
- provide a better understanding of its aims and missions throughout the years
- enhance its influence in the field of Public Health

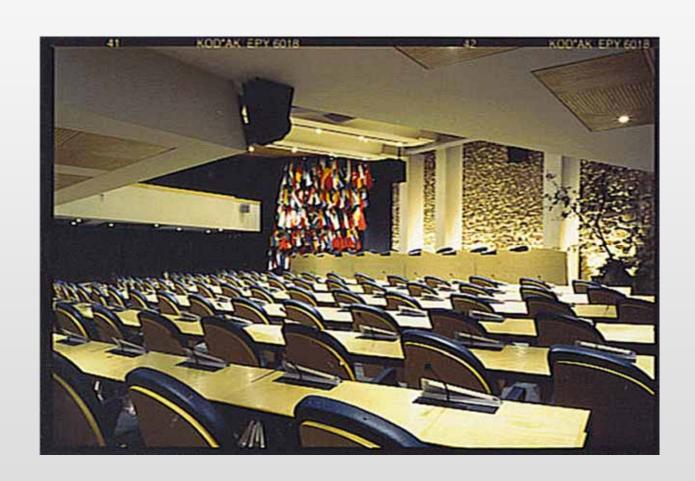


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