



Update on the situation and EU measures on Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD)

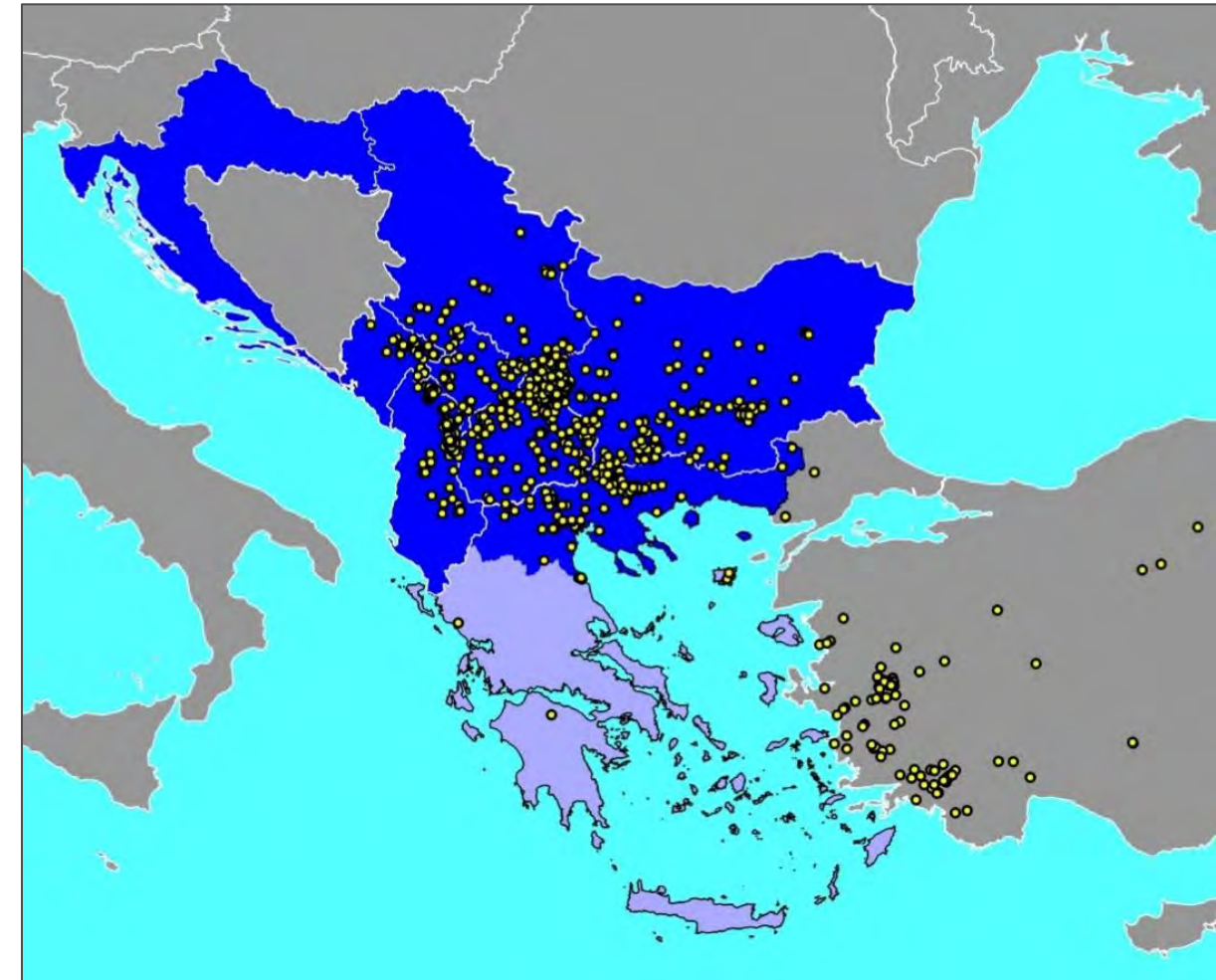
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PAFF Committee - AHW section
Brussels (remote meeting), 2 July 2025

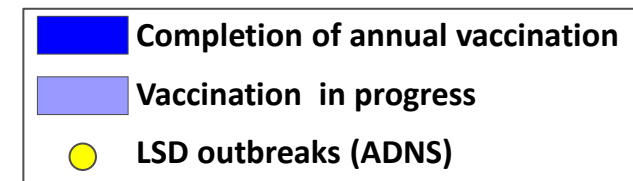
Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD) Background (2013 - May 2025)

- ✓ LSD endemic in Africa – present in the Middle East
- ✓ **2013 : LSD enters Turkiye**
- ✓ **2015: First incursion of LSD in Greece**
- ✓ **2016: Numerous outbreaks of LSD in South East Europe: Greece, Bulgaria, North Macedonia, Kosovo*, Montenegro, Albania). Mass vaccination campaigns launched in affected countries.**
- ✓ **2017: Numerous outbreaks in Albania, few sporadic outbreaks in Greece and North Macedonia. Annual revaccination in all previously affected countries.**
- ✓ **2018-2019: No outbreaks of LSD (excluding Turkiye), annual revaccination continues**
- ✓ **2019-2022: Countries gradually stop LSD vaccination and replace it with surveillance (2021: Last LSD outbreak reported in Turkiye)**
- ✓ **2023: Last year of vaccination in Greece and Bulgaria. Vaccination continues only in Turkiye (East Anatolia)**
- ✓ **2024 – May 2025: No LSD outbreaks in South East Europe. Reports of numerous LSD outbreaks in Northern Africa (Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Egypt)**

LSD outbreaks-vaccination in 2016
(peak of the epidemic in South East Europe)



>7.000 outbreaks in 7 countries (excl. Turkiye)



1st incursion of LSD in Italy

23 June 2025

ITALY reports 1st ever outbreak in Sardinia

Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2025/1318 of 27 June 2025 concerning certain interim emergency measures relating to infection with lumpy skin disease virus in Italy

25 June 2025

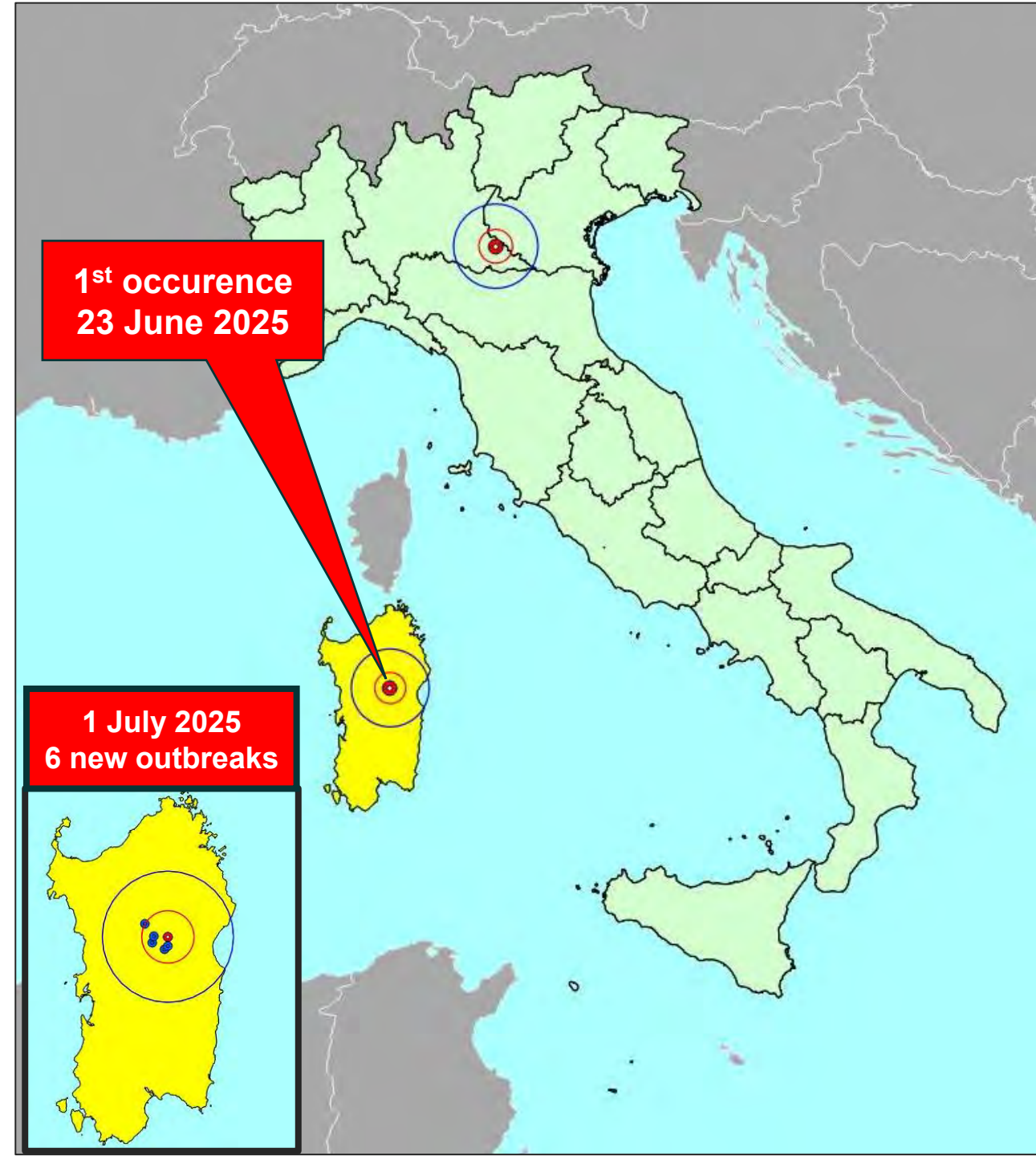
2nd outbreak in Mantua - Lombardy (farm that received animals from Sardinia)

- **Protection Zone:** 20 km radius , 28 days
Red perimeter on the map
- **Surveillance Zone:** 50 km radius, 45 days
Blue perimeter on the map
- **Further Restricted Zone:** entire region of Sardinia, 45 days . **No exit of bovine animals from the FRZ.**

01 July 2025

6 additional outbreaks in Sardinia (within the restricted zone of the first one.

Measures under revision in view of outbreak in Mantua + additional outbreaks in Sardinia + decision of IT to vaccinate in Sardinia



1st incursion of LSD in France

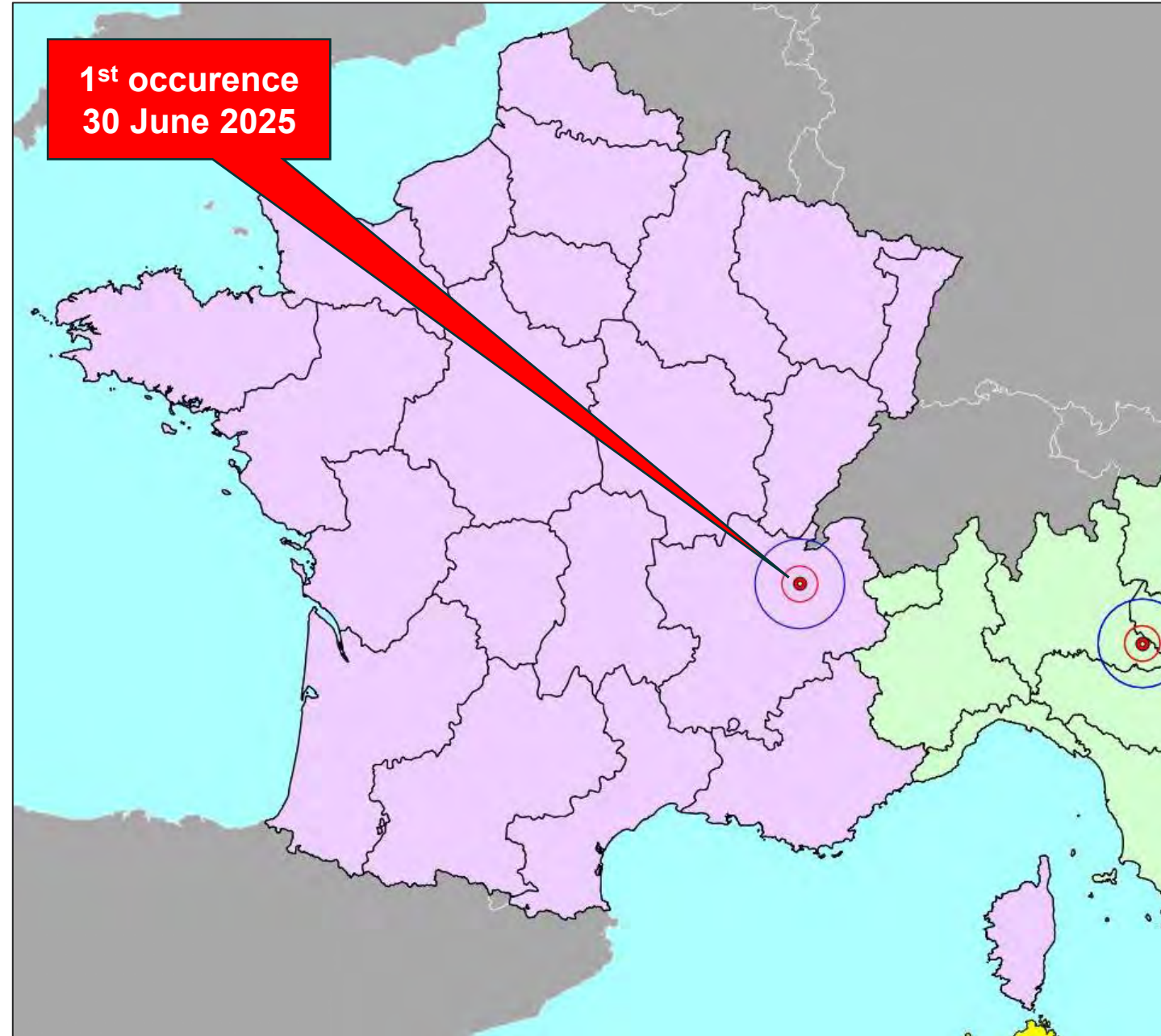
30 June 2025

FRANCE reports 1st ever outbreak in Savoie

DRAFT CID SANTE/LSD02/2025 (due for adoption)

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Measures under revision
New CID to be presented at the next PAFF in view of vaccination plan for restricted zone.



EU support against LSD

➤ **DG SANTE Coordination**

- Remote meetings with affected countries to steer actions
- Extraordinary (online) PAFF Committee dedicated to LSD (02 July 2025)
- Adoption of Commission Implementing Decisions defining interim emergency measures for each affected MS [**IT:CID (EU) 2025/1318** **FR: DRAFT CID SANTE/LSD02/2025** (*due for adoption*)]
- Regular info notes disseminating key information about the epidemic and measures to MS – TC – International Organisations (WOAH, FAO) Mandates to EFSA (e.g. 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 etc.)

➤ **EU Reference Laboratory for LSD** (*Sciensano Belgium*): Technical support

➤ **EUVET expert team:** Italy - Sardinia (*26-27 June 2025*)

➤ **EU financial support to MS:** Costs of selected control measures incurred by the Member States, eligible for EU co-financing

➤ **EU support for LSD surveillance activities (early detection)**

in high risk areas, through the **Transboundary Animal Diseases (TADs) programmes** (*Greece, Bulgaria*) *in place since 2017* and the **T.H.R.A.C.E programme** (*Greece, Bulgaria, Turkiye*)

➤ **EU vaccine banks:** If needed, shipment of vaccines to support the early stages of a vaccination campaign (requests received from Italy and France).

Thanks for your attention