German Biosecurity Programme

Fostering biosafety & biosecurity for a safer world.

Since 2013, the Federal Foreign Office helps

partner countries to minimise biological risks through the German Biosecurity Programme. The programme is part of the Federal Government's preventive security policy.

The programme raises awareness and minimises the risks associated with highly pathogenic agents, including their potential abuse for terroristic purposes.

The Bundeswehr Institute of Microbiology conducts projects in West Africa, Tunisia, Georgia, Uzbekistan, and Ukraine.

Biosafety & Biosecurity Biosecurity Raising Awareness Networking Capacity Building Surveillance Detection & Diagnostics





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Ukraine: Strengthening Biosafety & Biosecurity near the EU Border







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Overview

Within the German Biosecurity Programme the IMB implements a project in Ukraine since 2016.

Since 2023, the IMB closely collaborates with the Public Health Center of Ukraine in Kiev.

The IMB supports the Institute for Experimental and Clinical Veterinary Medicine (IECVM) and One Health Institute in Kharkiv.



Achievements



IECVM lab specialists use new methods & techniques to diagnose a range of highly infectious pathogens.

Biosurveillance studies provide new insights into the prevalence of zoonotic pathogens in eastern Ukraine.

Young scientists have been trained and supervised in their doctoral studies.

Project Activities

Verifying the diagnostic capabilities of the laboratories by external quality assessment.

Implementing novel methods to improve the diagnostic capabilities for highly pathogenic agents.

Establishing a scientific network to promote interdisciplinary exchange.

