



**Budimir Plavšić, PhD**

*Research title:* Scientific Associate

*Position:* Regional Representative for Europe of the World Organization for Animal Health

*Affiliation:* World Organization for Animal Health (founded as OIE), Paris - France

*Occupation field:* Veterinary Epidemiology and Public Health, One Health, veterinary policy and standards setting

*Short biography:* Dr. Budimir Plavšić is the Regional Representative for Europe at the World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH), founded as OIE. He began his career at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine in Belgrade, where he earned his DVM degree and later completed a PhD, Master of Veterinary Science, and a Specialization in Epizootiology. He also completed studies in International Management and conducted numerous professional courses in veterinary medicine, public health, and diplomacy.

He served as the Head of Animal Health and Welfare in the Serbian Veterinary Authority for 15 years, gaining experience in combating various animal diseases and zoonoses, including Classical and African Swine Fever. He has also contributed to the development of veterinary legislation, animal welfare, disease control policies, and more.

Dr. Plavšić is a permanent member of the Serbian Veterinary Academy and has authored over 120 articles.

In his current role, he coordinates activities in the European region, focusing on One Health initiatives and animal disease control with partner organizations. He particularly contributed to the development of global strategy to control ASF.