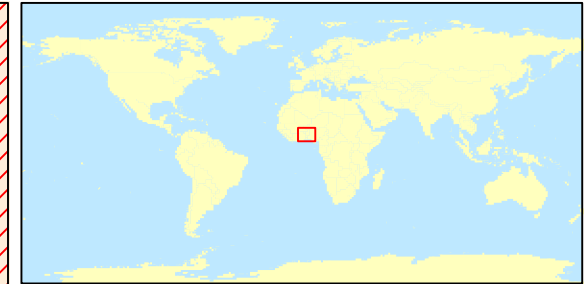




Benin: Avian flu preparedness



The Federation representative in Benin received documentation on avian flu from Geneva, and shared it with the Red Cross of Benin. Part of the documentation and information has been used during the preparation of the Benin's National Contingency Plan. The national society has also taken part in all coordination meetings on avian flu with the Federation.

As an auxiliary to the public authorities and in view of its expertise in social mobilization, Benin Red Cross and its key partners (the Federation and the ICRC) have been tasked by the government to contribute to the implementation of the contingency plan.

According to the plan, the national society will play a key role in the sensitization campaign against avian flu. Training sessions for the regional supervisors on avian flu are under preparation.

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Map data sources: ESRI, OIE

World Cities	● 1,000,000 to 5,000,000	● 250,000 to 500,000	• 50,000 to 100,000	— Major River
● 5,000,000 and greater	● 500,000 to 1,000,000	• 100,000 to 250,000	• Less than 50,000	▨ Confirmed animal cases of H5N1 reported to OIE