



Who's Who in One Health

Kyeema Foundation

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1. Organization/ Group Name and website url:

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2. Description and Scope of One Health Activities

After many years of Australian Aid funded research for development in rural communities of Africa and Asia, our founders discovered protecting the humble village chicken from a common fatal disease call Newcastle disease, empowers people in more ways than most could imagine. These birds are a crucial building block in the nutritional and economic stability of their owners, usually women. When poor families lose chickens, they also lose the income that pays for food, school fees and medication. In [areas where communities live at the wildlife-livestock interface](#), more pressure is put on the local wildlife populations in the search for alternative income and protein sources. As such, working to improve family poultry rearing in rural endemic regions of this disease, lends itself logically to a One Health approach. Our organisational goals include to 1) promote improved village poultry for improved livelihoods and 2) facilitate innovation and training that improves livelihoods. Through both goals we look to work with like-minded partners in the One Health movement.

3. Key Collaborators / Participants and contact information

Dr Robyn Alders – robyna@kyeemafoundation.org , Chair

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4. Type of Organization

Australian International NGO

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5. Sources of funding for Organization/Group

Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)

Corporate

African Union/European Union

Other International Aid programs

Fund-making organizations in Australia

Private individual donations

6. One Health Course/Certificate/Training Offered by Organization or Group

N/A

7. Other One Health Activities/Initiatives

Specific Eco Health Projects:

Current (due to begin in 2019)

Food security and income for villages in PNG through village chicken rearing and reef restoration with partner [Hiri Coral](#).

Recently Completed

Strengthening food and nutrition security through family poultry and crop integration in Tanzania and Zambia with [University of Sydney](#) and other partners.

Networks:

Active member of the [Global Agenda for Sustainable Livestock \(GASL\)](#). Currently putting together a policy recommendation paper 'Supporting Innovations for Sustainable Livestock in Smallholder Livestock Systems – perspectives from the NGO Cluster' in which we are recommending adopting One Health approaches (with case examples) when supporting smallholder livestock and pastoralist systems in contributing to the Sustainable Development Goals. This paper will be presented at the annual [GASL Multi-Stakeholder Partnership Meeting](#) that will take place at Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas USA on 9-13 September 2019.

8. Brief History of Your Organization's One Health Involvement

The Kyeema Foundation was founded in 2003 by a group of Australian veterinary and agricultural scientists who wanted to continue promoting a model of sustainable Newcastle disease control that is an effective solution for alleviating poverty for the most vulnerable in resource-poor regions. From the beginning of this work, a One Health approach (multidisciplinary, participatory, systems focused) has been in development and many lessons have been learned.

One of our founding members, and recently appointed Chair Dr Robyn Alders, is a highly involved proponent of the One Health movement. Her research activities, particularly with smallholder livestock systems focus on using a One Health approach to food and nutrition security in both developed and less developed nations. Access her publications [here](#). You can also see a full list of our organisational affiliated publications [here](#).

