Mankind is currently facing many different challenges, which will require global solutions. One of these challenges is the spread of infectious diseases that emerge or re-emerge at the interfaces between animals, humans and the ecosystems in which they live.

The idea of ‘One Health’ that has emerged over the past 10-20 years is boosting the idea to look at human health from a holistic viewpoint. ‘One Health’ is an approach to designing and implementing programmes, policies, legislation and research in which multiple sectors communicate and work together to achieve better public health outcomes. The areas of work in which a One Health approach is particularly relevant include food safety, the control of zoonoses and combatting antibiotic resistance. To win the fight against Neglected Tropical Diseases, the One Health approach is crucial.

We will gather, on the world One Health day, to talk about the state of the art of the One Health approach in research and implementation programs with a special focus on water-related parasites and NTDs.