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Meeting of the sub-group on poultry

Eighth meeting, 7 November 2022, 9:00-12:00
(Videoconference)

– AGENDA –

Chair of the meeting: Ms Kirsten Vornhagen, Unit G3 'Animal welfare', Directorate 'Crisis preparedness in food, animals and plants', Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE)

Topic: **'Mutilations; space allowance'**.

1. Welcome to the eighth meeting and introduction of the topic and of guests
2. Bas Rodenburg (guest) presents 'Banning mutilations in laying hens'
3. Rick van Emous (guest) presents 'Mutilations in broiler (and layer) breeders'
4. Discussion of the presentations
5. Eurogroup for Animals (Lisanne Stadig) presents 'Space allowance'
6. Discussion: Main themes to orient the debate:
 - a) Is banning of beak trimming possible and, if so, under which conditions?
 - b) Are there any mutilations used in poultry keeping that need to be continued?
 - c) Which space allowance/stocking density should be required for the different poultry categories and species, which minimum height?
 - d) Which incentives could encourage farmers to keep intact laying hens (and other poultry) and to provide more space to the animals?
 - e) Other issues?
7. Overall conclusions and preview of next meetings

