

Conclusions of the Platform





Proposed conclusion for the subgroup on transport

The Platform thanks and acknowledges the work of the members of the subgroup. The subgroup has produced a number of relevant documents on "exports of cattle" and on "extreme temperatures" and the Platform invites its members to disseminate the recommendations of the documents and take actions in line with the documents and proposals. These should contribute to improve the welfare of animals and to better enforce the EU legislation on animal transport . In relation to the document on "unweaned animals (calves)" produced by the subgroup, the platform acknowledges that it contributes substantially to progress on the issue but further dialogue is necessary prefers to reach consensus before recommending its dissemination and use.





Export of cattle:

DOC/12452/2019 - Recommendations to improve the development and exchange of coordinated actions regarding cattle exports to non-EU countries

DOC/12454/2019 - Organiser's factsheet: Organizing the export of cattle via road to a non-EU country

Extreme temperatures:

DOC/12456/2019 - Research gaps on the topic of animal welfare during transport under extreme temperatures

DOC/12458/2019 - Proposals for dissemination of information

DOC/12462/2019 - Proposal for an application on live animal transport

DOC12464/2019 - Factsheet transport extreme temperatures Cattle

DOC/12466/2019 - Factsheet transport extreme temperatures Horses

DOC/12468/2019 - Factsheet transport extreme temperatures Pigs

DOC/12470/2019 - Factsheet transport extreme temperatures Poultry

DOC/12472/2019 - Factsheet transport extreme temperatures Sheep





Proposed conclusion for the subgroup on the welfare of pigs

The Platform thanks and acknowledges the work of the members of the subgroup. The subgroup has provided targeted proposals for assisting in the development of indicators for tail-biting risks. The Platform invites the EU Reference Centre on animal welfare for pigs to consider the document "Indicators for tail biting risks relating to compliance criteria on health, dietary factors and space and competition" within the framework of its Work Programme for the future. The Platform invites its members to use this proposal, to develop it further in their research frameworks, and in proposals to strengthen official controls using animal welfare indicators. In relation to the document "Measuring tail damage at the slaughterhouse and setting common thresholds" produced by the subgroup, the platform acknowledges the principle but dialogue on the technical details is necessary prefers to reach consensus before recommending its dissemination and use.



DOC/12476/2019- Indicators for tail biting risks relating to compliance criteria on health, dietary factors and space and competition.





Proposed conclusion for the voluntary initiative on Responsible ownership and care of equidae

The Platform thanks and acknowledges the work of the members of the voluntary initiative. The working group concludes that the following document should be promoted in order to improve the welfare of equidae in the EU:

DOC/12480/2019 Rev.1- Guide to good animal welfare practice for the keeping, care, training and use of horses

