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# Eradication of African swine fever in the EU and the long-term management of wild boar populations

*Brussels, 19 December 2018, from 9:00 until 12:30*

*Location: Berlaymont – Schuman room*

## Programme

<b>08:00-09:00</b>	<b>Registration of participants</b>  <b>Welcome breakfast</b>
<b>09:00-09:35</b>	<b>Opening remarks</b>  <i>Vytenis Andriukaitis</i> , European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety  <i>Karmenu Vella</i> , European Commissioner for Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries  <i>Ulrich Herzog</i> , CVO, Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs, Health and Consumer Protection, on behalf of the Austrian Presidency of the Council of the European Union
<b>09:35-09:50</b>	<b>African Swine Fever in Wild boar - Belgian Case</b>  <i>Denis Ducarme</i> , Federal Minister of the Middle Class, Self-Employed, SMEs, Agriculture and Social Integration  <i>René Collin</i> , Walloon Minister of Agriculture, Nature, Forestry, Rurality and Tourism
<b>09:50-10:05</b>	<b>African Swine Fever in Wild boar - Czech Case</b>  <i>Patrik Mlynář</i> , Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Czech Republic
<b>10:05-10:25</b>	<b>ASF and the legislative framework: the management of disease eradication through awareness and cooperation</b>  <i>Bernard Van Goethem</i> , Director SANTE G, Crisis Management in food, animals and plants

- 10:25-10:45**      **Question & Answers session, moderated by the European Commission**
- 10:45-11:15**      **Coffee break**
- 11:15- 11:30**      **Latest developments in EFSA risk assessment on African swine fever**
- Nikolaus Kriz*, European Food Safety Authority - Head of Animal and Plant Health Unit
- 11:30-11:45**      **The hunters' role**
- Torbjörn Larsson*, President of FACE - The Federation of Associations for Hunting and Conservation of the EU
- 11:45-11:55**      **Initiatives to increase awareness and biosecurity among farmers**
- Pekka Pesonen*, Secretary General of COPA COGECA
- Jos Goebbels*, Vice President of UECEBV (European Livestock and Meat Trades Union)
- 11:55- 12:15**      **Preparedness and eradication of ASF: how to enhance the cooperation between veterinary services, farmers, forestry management bodies and hunters**
- General discussions moderated by the EU Commission*
- 12:15- 12:30**      **Conclusions and closing remarks**
- Vytenis Andriukaitis*, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety