

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY DIRECTORATE-GENERAL Directorate D TRADE DIRECTORATE-GENERAL Directorate D

AGENDA OF THE SPS EXPERTS MEETING OF 26 FEBRUARY 2020

The expert meeting will take place at the Centre de conférence Albert Borschette, Rue Froissart 36, 1040 Brussels on 26 February 2019 from 10 AM.

It will prepare the 77th regular meeting of the WTO Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary measures (SPS Committee) that will take place at the Centre William Rappard, Geneva on **19** and **20 March 2020**. The SPS Committee meeting will be preceded by a thematic session on Third Party Assurances on 17 March 2020 and an informal meeting of the Committee on 18 March 2020...

I. ISSUES RELATED TO THE NOVEMBER 2019 SPS COMMITTEE (AS LISTED IN THE WTO PROPOSED AGENDA)

- Information on relevant activities
- Specific trade concerns
- Operation and implementation of the SPS Agreement
 - Equivalence
 - Pest- and disease-free areas (Regionalization)
 - Operation of transparency provisions
 - Special and differential treatment
 - Monitoring of the use of international standards
 - Chairperson's report to CTG
 - Fifth Review
- Cross-cutting issues
- Technical assistance and cooperation
- Concerns with private and commercial standards
- Observers

II. SPS- MARKET ACCESS ISSUES

- Main developments
- Information on resolution or progress made on market access issues
- Exchange of information on other market access issues

III. PRACTICAL INFORMATION

IV. ANY OTHER BUSINESS