



European
Commission

EU Platform on Animal Welfare

- Ninth meeting -

WebEx video conference

Tuesday, 22 June 2021, 09.30 – 17.30 CET, Brussels time

The meeting will be web streamed:

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– AGENDA –

09.00 – 09.30 Connection of participants

OPENING

CHAIR: Claire Bury, Deputy Director General for Food Sustainability, DG SANTE

09.30 – 09.35 Welcome to participants and WebEx meeting rules

09.35 – 09.45 Presentation and adoption of the agenda

09.45 – 09.50 Speech by Commissioner Stella Kyriakides (video message)
Stella Kyriakides, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety

09.50 – 10.00 Introduction to the EU dialogue for the 2021 Un Food Systems Summit
Ladislav Miko, EU dialogue Convenor for the 2021 UN Food Systems Summit

10.00 – 10.25 Questions & Answers



10.25 – 10.35 Portuguese Presidency presentation on long distance transport to third countries

Maria Jorge Correia, Head of Animal Welfare Division, Directorate-General for Food and Veterinary, Portuguese Ministry of Agriculture

10.35 – 10.45 Presentation on the EP resolution on the European Citizens' Initiative "End the Cage Age" and other animal welfare issues

Paolo De Castro, MEP, Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament, Member of the ANIT and AGRI Committees

10.45 – 11.05 Questions and Answers

11.05 – 11.20 Coffee Break

MORNING SESSION

SESSION 1: Policy updates



11.20 – 11.40 Outcome of the evaluation of the EU Strategy for the Protection and Welfare of Animals 2012-2015

Stanislav Ralchev, Policy Officer, Unit 'Animal welfare, Antimicrobial resistance', Directorate Crisis Preparedness in Food, Animals and Plants, DG SANTE

11.40 – 11.55 Preliminary results of the Fitness Check of the EU animal welfare legislation and state of play of the planned impact assessment

Christian Juliusson, Policy Officer, Unit 'Animal welfare, Antimicrobial resistance', Directorate Crisis Preparedness in Food, Animals and Plants, DG SANTE

11.55 – 12.15 Questions and Answers



12.15 – 12.25 Transport of live animals by sea: update on Commission actions

Sandra Sanmartín, Policy Officer, Unit 'Animal welfare, Antimicrobial resistance', Directorate Crisis Preparedness in Food, Animals and Plants, DG SANTE

12.25 – 12.35 Update on the Code of Conduct for responsible business and marketing in relation to animal welfare

Isabelle Rollier, Policy Officer, Unit 'Farm to Fork Strategy', Directorate Food sustainability, International relations, DG SANTE

12.35 – 12.50 Questions and Answers

12.50 – 14.15 Lunch Break

AFTERNOON SESSIONS

CHAIR: Bernard Van Goethem, Director for Crisis Management in Food, Animals and Plants, DG SANTE

SESSION 2: Subgroups and voluntary initiatives



14.20 – 14.35 Conclusions of the sub-group on animal welfare labelling

Denis Simonin, Senior Expert, Unit 'Animal welfare, Antimicrobial resistance', Directorate Crisis Preparedness in Food, Animals and Plants, DG SANTE

14.35 – 15:10 Questions and Answers

15.10 – 15.20 Guide on best management practice for the welfare of pullets developed by the corresponding voluntary initiative

Birte Broberg, Senior Veterinary Officer, Danish Veterinary and Food Administration



15.20 – 15.30 Update on activities of the voluntary initiative on responsible ownership and care of equidae

Roly Owers, Chief Executive, World Horse Welfare

15.30 – 15.35 Questions and answers

15.35 – 15.45 Coffee Break

SESSION 3: Information and knowledge sharing

15.45 – 16.10 Update from EFSA on ongoing and upcoming animal welfare scientific opinions
Chiara Fabris & Denise Candiani, scientific officers, Animal Health and Welfare (AHAW), Team Animal and Plant Health (ALPHA) Unit, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)

16.10 – 16.30 Third EU Reference Centre for the welfare of ruminants and equines
Kirsten Vornhagen, Policy Officer, Unit 'Animal welfare, Antimicrobial resistance', Directorate Crisis Preparedness in Food, Animals and Plants, DG SANTE
Harry Blokhuis, Director of the EU Reference Centre for the welfare of ruminants and equines

16.30 – 16.45 Questions and Answers

16.45 – 17.05 Educational materials on alternative methods to surgical pig castration
Kirsten Vornhagen, Policy Officer, Unit 'Animal welfare, Antimicrobial resistance', Directorate Crisis Preparedness in Food, Animals and Plants, DG SANTE

17.05 – 17.15 CLEARFARM- a platform to control animal welfare in pig and dairy cattle farming
Xavier Manteca, European Veterinary Specialist in Animal Welfare Science, Ethics and Law; Professor at the School of Veterinary Science in Barcelona

17.15 – 17.20 Questions and Answers



CLOSING

CHAIR: Bernard Van Goethem, Director for Crisis Management in Food, Animals and Plants,
DG SANTE

17.20 – 17.25 Update on the voluntary initiative on health and welfare of pets in trade

17.25 – 17.30 Conclusions and closing of the meeting

