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<b>AGENDA</b>
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**Section A**     **Information and/or discussion**

**A.01** General information by Member States.

**A.02** Fitness Check of the EU Animal Welfare Legislation. (CJ)

Under the EU Farm to Fork Strategy, the Commission has committed to revise the EU animal welfare legislation by 2023. The objective is to ensure a higher level of animal welfare by aligning the current rules with the latest scientific evidence, broadening their scope and making them easier to enforce, as well as to contribute to the achievement of a more sustainable food system.

As a first step towards the revision, the Commission has undertaken an evaluation (“Fitness Check”) of the current EU animal welfare legislation, with the aim to assess whether it is still fit for purpose, in particular the extent to which the rules are relevant, efficient, effective, coherent, and have an added value. This exercise is now concluded, and its results are presented in a Commission Staff Working Document.

**A.03** Information from Member States on African swine fever. (SF)

**A.04** Report on EU Veterinary Emergency Team established by Commission Decision 2007/142/EC. (FB)

The list of experts available for the EU Veterinary Emergency Team is available here: [https://food.ec.europa.eu/system/files/2022-04/ad\\_emergency\\_cvet\\_experts.pdf](https://food.ec.europa.eu/system/files/2022-04/ad_emergency_cvet_experts.pdf).

**A.05** Information from Spain on sheep pox and goat pox. (FB)

**A.06** Update by the Commission on ADIS Union notifications and Union reporting. (FB)

**A.07** Information from Member States on highly pathogenic avian influenza. (IDC)

Member States affected by highly pathogenic avian influenza outbreaks in poultry or captive birds will update on the epidemiological situation and on the measures taken to prevent, control and eradicate the disease.

**Section B**      **Draft(s) presented for an opinion**

**B.01** Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision on the evolution of animal diseases in the Union.

(Emergency disease)

**Procedure:** Examination procedure

**B.02** Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Annex I to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/605 laying down special control measures for African swine fever. (SF)

(PLAN/12849W/2022)

**Legal Basis:** Regulation (EU) 2016/429 - Article 71(3)

**Procedure:** Examination procedure

**B.03** Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation designating the European Union reference laboratory for Rift valley fever. (SF)

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2156 (OJ L 436, 7.12.2021, p. 26) established the European Union reference laboratory (EURL) for Rift valley fever (RVF). Following the establishment of this EURL and in accordance with point (a) of Article 93(2) of Regulation (EU) 2017/625, the Commission followed a public selection process for the designation of the EURL for Rift valley fever. The proposed Implementing Regulation designates a European Union reference laboratory EURL RVF. It lays down the name and contact details of the selected EURL. A public selection process preceded the designation of this EURL. [\\_](#)

(PLAN/1986/2022)

**Legal Basis:** Regulation (EC)2017/625 - Article 93(1)

**Procedure:** Examination procedure

- B.04** Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/641 concerning emergency measures in relation to outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza in certain Member States. (IDC)

The EU zoning for HPAI needs to be amended due to new outbreaks confirmed by certain Member States in poultry or captive birds.

(PLAN/12848P/2022)

**Legal Basis:** Regulation (EC) 2016/429 - Article 259(1) point (c)

**Procedure:** Examination procedure

- B.05** Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending Commission Implementing Decision C(2021) 3046 and Commission Implementing Decision C(2022) 724 as regards the implementation of actions under the Single Market Programme. (JL)

(PLAN/2146/2022 (DG GROW))

**Legal Basis:** Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 - Article 110, Regulation (EU) 2021/690

**Procedure:** Examination procedure

## **Section C**      **Draft(s) presented for discussion**

- C.01** Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation laying down special disease control measures for African swine fever and repealing Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/605. (ZI)

(SANTE/7282/2021)

**Legal Basis:** Regulation (EU) 2016/429 - Article 71(3), 259

**Procedure:** Examination procedure