



European
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EU Platform on Animal Welfare Fourth meeting – 19 November 2018

Borschette Building, Room O.D
Rue Froissart 36, B-1040 Brussels

- AGENDA -

The meeting will be web streamed:

<https://webcast.ec.europa.eu/4th-meeting-of-the-eu-platform-on-animal-welfare>

Hashtag: #EU4AnimalWelfare

08.30 – 09.30 **Registration of participants**

OPENING

CHAIR: Anne Bucher, Director-General for Health and Food Safety, DG SANTE

09.30 – 09.40 **Welcome to participants**

09.40 – 09.45 **Presentation and adoption of the agenda**

09.45 – 10.00 **Speech by Commissioner Andriukaitis**
Vytenis Andriukaitis, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety

10.00 – 10.15 **Austrian priorities on animal welfare**
Gabriele Damoser, Head of Unit “Animal Welfare”, Austrian Federal Ministry for Labour, Social Affairs, Health and Consumer Protection

10.15 – 10.30 **Questions and Answers**

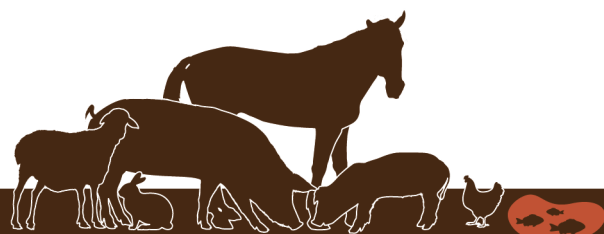
10.30 – 10.45 **European Court of Auditors’ report on animal welfare audit**
Janusz Wojciechowski, Member of the European Court of Auditors

10.45 – 11.00 **Questions and Answers**

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee Break



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MORNING SESSION

SESSION 1: Enforcement – Subgroups of the Platform

- 11.30 – 11.45** **Presentation of the outcome of the second meeting of the subgroup on transport**
Terence Cassidy, Policy Officer, Unit ‘Animals’, Directorate Health and Food Audits and Analysis, DG SANTE
- 11.45 – 11.55** **Presentation of the selection process and composition of the subgroup on the welfare of pigs**
Terence Cassidy
- 11.55 – 12.05** **Presentation of a forthcoming DG SANTE project “Quality controls and indicators for animal welfare”**
Terence Cassidy
- 12.05 – 12.30** **Questions and Answers**
- 12.30 – 14.00** Lunch Break

AFTERNOON SESSION

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

SESSION 2: Voluntary Initiatives

- 14.00 – 15.30** **Outcome of the Platform Members’ own initiatives on:**
- 14.00 - 14.15** **Responsible ownership and care of equidae**
Birte Broberg, Senior Veterinary Officer, Danish Veterinary and Food Administration
- 14.15-14.30** **Health and welfare of pets (dogs) in trade**
Léon Arnts, Senior Policy Officer Animal Welfare, Dutch Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality; Animal Supply Chain and Animal Welfare Department
- 14.30-14.45** **Welfare of fish**
Katerina Marinou, Head of the Animal Welfare for Farm and Laboratory Animals’ Division, Directorate General of Veterinary Services, Greek Ministry of Rural Development and Food
- 14.45-15.00** **Welfare of pullets**
Birte Broberg, Senior Veterinary Officer, Danish Veterinary and Food Administration
- 15.00 – 15.30** **Exchange of views**
- 15.30 – 16.00** Coffee Break



SESSION 3: Information and Knowledge Sharing

- 16.00 – 16.15** **Presentation by the Commission of the Platform Digital Tool**
Denis Simonin, Head of Animal Welfare sector, Unit 'Animal Health and Welfare', Directorate Crisis Management in Food, Animals and Plants, DG SANTE
- 16.15 – 16.30** **First European Union Reference Centre for Animal Welfare**
Hans Spoolder, Senior scientist at Wageningen Livestock Research; Wageningen University & Research, Coordinator of the first EU Reference Centre for Animal Welfare
- 16.30 – 16.45** **A third country experience: New Zealand**
Nick Dymond, Counsellor, Veterinary Services, Sanitary and Phytosanitary, New Zealand Embassy to Belgium, Bulgaria, Luxembourg, Romania, Sweden and Mission to the EU & NATO
- 16.45 – 17.15** **Questions and Answers**

CLOSING

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- 17.15 – 17.25** **Any other business**
- 17.25 – 17.35** **Conclusions and closing of the meeting**

