



Update on the EU Platform on Animal welfare and its activities

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Overview

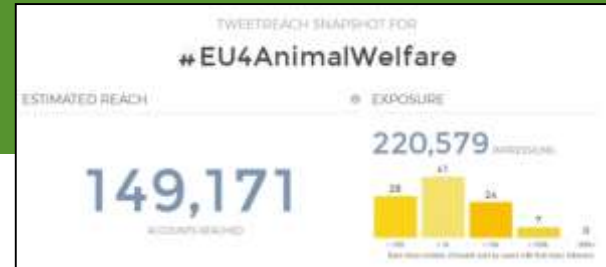


- **Commission Decision of 24 January 2017**
establishing the Commission Expert Group 'Platform on Animal Welfare'
- **March 2017:** Call for application with 160 applications
- **6 June 2017:** Inaugural meeting
- **10 November 2017:** Second meeting and first subgroup on Animal Transport

Composition and tasks

- **Participants: 75 members of the Platform**
 - 35 from public entities
 - 20 from business and professional organisations
 - 10 from civil society
 - 10 scientific independent experts
 - 1 observer
- **Tasks:**
 - better apply and understand of EU legislation
 - facilitate voluntary commitments
 - promote EU standards globally





Inaugural meeting - 6 June 2017

- A general discussion around 3 topics:
 - Better application and understanding of **EU legislation**
 - Promotion **EU animal welfare standards globally**
 - Development and use of **voluntary commitments**
- Very positive feedback from stakeholders
- Many expectations and demands
- "**Everyone is responsible**"

Second meeting – 10 November 2017

- **Enforcement:** animal transport
- **Voluntary commitments:** unwanted horse
- **Information / knowledge sharing** EFSA and Animal transport guides



What is next?

- **2018:**

- Two meetings of the Platform = occasion for in depth discussions and networking
- Two meetings of the sub-group on Animal transport
- Establishment of second subgroup on pigs
- Network building

- **2019**

- Under construction



The EU Animal Welfare Platform:
promoting dialogue on animal
welfare issues relevant at EU level.



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Important links



- Record of the meetings:
<https://webcast.ec.europa.eu/inaugural-meeting-of-the-platform-on-animal-welfare>
- <https://webcast.ec.europa.eu/second-meeting-of-the-platform-on-animal-welfare>
- #EU4AnimalWelfare
- Webpage of the EU Platform on Animal Welfare:
http://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/welfare/eu-platform-animal-welfare_en
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