

# 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of the EU Platform on animal welfare

Subgroup on Animal Welfare Labelling  
Overview of the work done



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# The subgroup



- 10 members + Commission + guests
  - **1 Independent expert**
  - **2 Civil society organisations**
  - **4 Business and professional organisations**
  - **3 Member States**
- 2 meetings since the last Platform
  - 12 December 2022
  - 25 January 2023

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# Key criteria across species



No support for a system based on AW domains



Unconclusive on how to define a '*meaningful step*'



Agreement to establish a '*baseline*' of common practices



Unconclusive if the label should cover only upgraded levels or the whole range of product (scoring)



Unconclusive on the design of the label (letters, numbers, format, etc.)

# Final meeting

- 3 presentations by EUROCOMMERCER
  - General evolution of the consumer demand (polarization)
  - Haltungform system in Germany
    - Good practices in Portugal
- Recapitulation of the work done by the group



# Useful links

1. Subgroup meetings: [https://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/animal-welfare/eu-platform-animal-welfare/thematic-sub-groups/animal-welfare-labelling\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/animal-welfare/eu-platform-animal-welfare/thematic-sub-groups/animal-welfare-labelling_en)
2. Conclusion of the EU animal welfare platform in June 2021: [https://ec.europa.eu/food/system/files/2021-06/aw\\_platform\\_plat-conc\\_awl-subgroup-conclusion.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/food/system/files/2021-06/aw_platform_plat-conc_awl-subgroup-conclusion.pdf)
3. Study published in March 2022: <https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/49b6b125-b0a3-11ec-83e1-01aa75ed71a1/language-en>
4. Inception impact assessment on the revision of the animal welfare legislation in July 2021: [https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/12950-Animal-welfare-revision-of-EU-legislation\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/12950-Animal-welfare-revision-of-EU-legislation_en)



Thank you