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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** Information on activities related to the implementation and date of application of the Animal Health Law. (BL)

**A.03** Information from the Member States on highly pathogenic avian influenza. (IDC)

The Member States affected by highly pathogenic avian influenza outbreaks will present the epidemiological situation with the disease, the measures taken to control and eradicate the disease and the preventive measures taken to mitigate the risk of transmission of the highly pathogenic avian influenza viruses from wild birds to poultry.

**A.04** Educational materials on alternatives to surgical castration of piglets. (KV)

In March 2019, the Commission adopted the report "Establishing best practices on the production, the processing and the marketing of meat from uncastrated pigs or pigs vaccinated against boar taint (immunocastrated)". The Commission has now developed educational materials to disseminate the best practices established in that report.

**A.05** Information on African swine fever from Member States. (SF)

**A.06** Information concerning a declaration from Germany on disease free status for viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) and infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN): zone of the Unstrut until the barrier at Beyrode. (LK)

**A.07** Information concerning a declaration from Germany on disease free status for viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) and infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN): zone of the Nieplitz. (LK)

- A.08** Information concerning a declaration from Germany on disease free status for viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) and infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN): zone of the Plane. (LK)
- A.09** Information concerning a declaration from Germany on disease free status for viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) and infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN): zone of the Nuthe and Hammerfließ. (LK)
- A.10** Information concerning a declaration from France on a surveillance programme for viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) and infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN): zone du Ried du Rhin. (LK)
- A.11** Information concerning a declaration from France on a surveillance programme for viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) and infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN): dependent compartment of upstream of the Touques. (LK)
- A.12** Information concerning a declaration from France on a surveillance programme for viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) and infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN): zone of upstream of the Jougna. (LK)
- A.13** Information concerning a declaration from France on a surveillance programme for viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) and infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN): zone of the Thur. (LK)
- A.14** Information concerning a declaration from France on a surveillance programme for viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) and infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN): zone of upstream of the Valouson. (LK)
- A.15** Information concerning a declaration from Italy on disease free status for viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) and infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN): dependent compartment Acquacoltura Molin di Bucchio. (LK)
- A.16** Information concerning a declaration from Denmark on a surveillance programme for viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS): the marine waters of Denmark. (LK)

**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 Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision concerning certain protective measures in relation to outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza in certain Member States. (IDC)

Further outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza have been confirmed by the Member States therefore the regionalization at Union level should be amended.

(SANTE/7332/2020)

**Legal Basis:** Council Directive 89/662/EEC - Article 9(4), Council Directive 90/425/EEC - Article 10(4)

**Procedure:** Examination procedure

- B.03** Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU concerning animal health control measures relating to African swine fever in certain Member States. (SF)

(SANTE/7350/2020)

**Legal Basis:** Council Directive 89/662/EEC - Article 9(4), Council Directive 2002/99/EC - Article 4(3), Council Directive 90/425/EEC - Article 10(4)

**Procedure:** Examination procedure

- B.04** Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision approving national measures to limit the impact of certain diseases of aquatic animals in accordance with Article 226(3) of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council. (FG)

(SANTE/7164/2020)

**Legal Basis:** Regulation (EU) 2016/429 - Article 226(3)

**Procedure:** Examination procedure

- B.05** Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision on certain animal health protection measures for the movement between Member States and the entry into the Union of salamanders in relation to infection with *Batrachochytrium salamandrivorans*. (LK)

(SANTE/7198/2020)

**Legal Basis:** Regulation (EU) 2016/429 - Articles 259(1) and 261(1)

**Procedure:** Examination procedure

- B.06** Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending Annexes I and II to Decision 2003/467/EC as regards the officially tuberculosis and brucellosis-free status, Annexes I and II to Decision 2008/185/EC as regards the free status and the approval of the eradication programmes for Aujeszky's disease and Annex II to Decision 93/52/EEC as regards the officially brucellosis (*B. melitensis*)-free status for certain regions. (JD)

The scope of this Decision is the official recognition of the disease-free status of several Member States and regions thereof as regards tuberculosis and brucellosis in bovine herds, Aujeszky's disease in porcine herds and brucellosis (*B. melitensis*) in ovine and caprine herds, and the approval of the eradication programme carried out in several Member States and regions thereof as regards Aujeszky's disease in porcine herds.

(SANTE/7286/2020)

**Legal Basis:** Council Directive 91/68/EEC - Section II of Chapter 1 of Annex A, Council Directive 64/432/EEC - Articles 9(2), 10(2) and Annex A(II)

**Procedure:** Examination procedure

- B.07** Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 142/2011 as regards conditions for exports of certain organic fertilisers and soil improvers containing Category 2 materials. (MK)

The draft provides for rules on exports of organic fertilisers and soil improvers containing meat-and-bone meal of Category 2 materials.

(SANTE/7142/2020)

**Legal Basis:** Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 - Article 32(3)(a) and the first subparagraph of Article 43(3)

**Procedure:** Regulatory procedure with scrutiny

- B.08** Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 142/2011 as regards conditions for exports of meat-and-bone meal as a fuel for combustion. (MK)

The draft provides for rules on exports of meat-and-bone meal of Category 1 materials as a fuel for combustion.

(SANTE/7172/2020)

**Legal Basis:** Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 - the first subparagraph of Article 43(3)

**Procedure:** Regulatory procedure with scrutiny

- B.09** Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision concerning certain protective measures in relation to reporting infection with SARS-CoV-2 in minks and other animals of the family *Mustelidae*. (FB)

(SANTE/7368/2020)

**Legal Basis:** Council Directive 90/425/EEC - Articles 10(1) and 10(4), Regulation (EU) 2016/429 - Article 259(1)

**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 rules for the application of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to traceability of certain kept terrestrial animal. (JD)

The essential elements for the rules on the identification and registration of certain kept terrestrial animals are already contained in Part IV of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 and complementary details are laid down in Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/2035. This implementing regulation will provide for technical details for the uniform application of these rules and for the technical specifications of central databases of animal registers, the time limits for recording animal movements in central database, the operational technical rules for the means and methods of identification and the practical application of exemptions from identification and registration requirements.

(SANTE/7292/2020)

**Legal Basis:** Regulation (EU) 2016/429 - Article 120

**Procedure:** Examination procedure

- C.02** Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1715 as regards procedures for the establishment and use of ADIS and EUROPHYT, the issuance of electronic official certificates, animal health certificates and animal health/official certificates, the use of electronic signatures and the functioning of TRACES. (HK)

The purpose of the draft is to complement the rules established for the functioning of ADIS and TRACES and to modify the rules on the transmission of interception notifications.

(SANTE/7148/2020)

**Legal Basis:** Regulation (EU) 2016/429 - points (b) to (f) of the first paragraph of Article 23, Article 30(1)(b)(ii) and point (c) of the first paragraph of Article 35, Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 - points (a), (b) and (c) of the first paragraph of Article 104, Regulation (EU) 2017/625 - point (a) of the first paragraph of Article 58, point (f) of the first paragraph of Article 90, points (a) and (b) of the first subparagraph of Article 102(6), Article 103(6) and points (a) to (d) and point (g) of the first paragraph of Article 134, Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 - Article 51

**Procedure:** Examination procedure