



# EU Platform on Animal Welfare

## Eight meeting

### WebEx video conference

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2020, 09.30 – 17.30 CET, Brussels time**

**The meeting will be web streamed:**

<https://webcast.ec.europa.eu/8th-meeting-of-the-eu-platform-on-animal-welfare>



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### – DRAFT AGENDA –

**09.00 – 09.30**      **Connexion of participants**

#### OPENING

**CHAIR:**      **Claire Bury, Deputy Director General for Food Sustainability, DG SANTE**

**09.30 – 09.35**      **Welcome to participants and WebEx meeting rules**

**09.35 – 09.45**      **Presentation and adoption of the agenda**

**09.45 – 09.55**      **German Presidency priorities regarding animal welfare**

***Katharina Kluge***, Head of Unit 'Animal Welfare', Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture

**09.55 – 10.05**      **Questions and Answers**

**10.05 – 10.20**      **Speech by Commissioner Stella Kyriakides**

***Stella Kyriakides***, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety

**10.20 – 10.50**      **Questions and Answers**

**10.50 – 11.10**      **Coffee Break**



## MORNING SESSION

### SESSION 1: Policy updates

- 11.10 – 11.25**      **Overview of the ongoing activities**  
*Andrea Gavinelli*, Head of Unit 'Animal Welfare, Antimicrobial resistance', Directorate Crisis Management in Food, Animals and Plants, DG SANTE
- 11.25 – 11.40**      **Mandates and planning of the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)**  
*Chiara Fabris & Denise Candiani*, scientific officers Animal Health and Welfare (AHAW) Team Animal and Plant Health (ALPHA) Unit, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)
- 11.40 – 12.10**      **Questions and Answers**

**12.10 – 13.40**      **Lunch Break**

## AFTERNOON SESSIONS

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

### SESSION 2: Subgroups and voluntary initiatives

- 13.40 – 13.55**      **Selection process and composition of the subgroup on animal welfare labelling and the outcomes of its first meeting**  
*Denis Simonin*, Senior Expert, Unit 'Animal welfare, Antimicrobial resistance', Directorate Crisis Management in Food, Animals and Plants, DG SANTE
- 13.55 – 14.10**      **Conclusions of the voluntary initiative on responsible ownership and care of equidae - Factsheets related to the Guide to good animal welfare practice for the keeping, care, training and use of horses**  
*Birte Broberg*, Senior Veterinary Officer, Danish Veterinary and Food Administration
- 14.10 – 14.30**      **Conclusions of the voluntary initiative on the health and welfare of pets (dogs) in trade**  
- *Responsible dog breeding guidelines & Responsible cat breeding guidelines*  
- *Transport guidelines for dogs and cats by land*  
*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**      **Activities of the voluntary initiative on piglets: alternatives for surgical castration**  
*Gé Backus*, Director, Connecting Agri & Food
- 14.45 – 15.25**      **Questions and answers**



15.25 – 15.45 Coffee Break

### SESSION 3: Information and knowledge sharing

- 15.45 – 16.00 **Introduction to the Commission's procedure for the European Citizens' Initiative**  
*Kirsten Vornhagen*, Policy Officer, Unit 'Animal welfare, Antimicrobial resistance', Directorate Crisis Management in Food, Animals and Plants, DG SANTE
- 16.00 – 16.15 **The End the Cage Age European Citizens' Initiative by Compassion in World Farming**  
*Olga Kikou*, Head of Compassion in World Farming EU
- 16.15 – 16.30 **The ban of laying hens in cages by the Czech Republic**  
*Simona Nincakova*, Head of Animal Welfare Division, Department of Animal Health and Animal Welfare, State Veterinary Administration of the Czech Republic
- 16.30 – 16.45 **EU Reference Centres for the welfare of pigs: presentation of educative materials**  
*Hans Spoolder*, Director and coordinator of the EU Reference Centre for Animal Welfare - Pigs
- 16.45 – 17.15 **Questions and Answers**

### CLOSING SESSION

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

- 17.15 – 17.25 **Any other business (AOB)**
- 17.25 – 17.30 **Conclusions and closing of the meeting**

