

## Draft Agenda

### Pre-Accession Seminar on Animal Health and Welfare

Hotel Arka, Skopje, 17-18 June

**Introduction:** This seminar was organised as a part of EFSA Pre-Accession Programme 2009-2010 for Candidate and Potential Candidate Countries. Participation in this Programme might further enable the beneficiaries to familiarise themselves with the EU policies and working methods particularly focusing on “from field to plate” integrated approach to food safety.

**Aim of the meeting:** To present EFSA’s role in contributing to the improvement of animal health in Europe by using practical examples of risk assessment as the basis for the scientific opinions. Experts from the Member States shared their views and experiences in the area of stunning and killing, transport and animal housing and management as well as on animal diseases. Representatives from the competent authorities in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia presented the state of art of animal health and welfare in their country.

Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2009	
14.00 – 14.10	<b>Welcome</b> by <i>Mrs. Marina Popovska-Domazetova</i> , Director of Food Directorate, Ministry of Health, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
14.10 – 14.50	<b>Welcome and an update on EFSA work and activities</b> by <i>Mr. Goran Kumrić</i> , Policy Officer, Legal and Policy Affairs Unit, EFSA
14.50 – 15.30	<b>Part I. The state of art on animal health in Macedonia</b> <b>Part II. Case study – experiences from the first hand</b> by <i>Mrs. Greta Nikolovska</i> , Veterinary Directorate, Ministry of Agriculture Forestry and Water Economy
15.30– 16.00	Coffee break
16.00 – 16.40	<b>Part I. Animal health strategies in Sweden - with special reference to experiences prior and from the entry to the EU</b> by <i>Prof. Martin Wierup</i> , Dept of Biomedical Sciences and Veterinary Public Health, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences
16.40 – 17.20	<b>EFSA work on animal health and the Pan-European cooperation</b> by <i>Mr. Per Have</i> , Senior Scientific Officer, Team Leader for Animal Diseases, EFSA
17.20 – 17.40	Questions and comments
20.00	Dinner, Restaurant Marakana, Skopje

Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2009	
09.15 – 10.00	<b>Part I. The state of art on animal welfare in Macedonia</b> <b>Part II. Case study – experiences from the first hand</b> by Mr. <i>Dimitar Terzievski</i> , Veterinary Directorate, Ministry of Agriculture Forestry and Water Economy
10.00 – 10.45	<b>Part I. Who protects our animals? AW Legislation in Europe</b> <b>Part II. Practical example</b> by Prof. <i>Jörg Hartung</i> , Director of the Institute for Animal Hygiene, Animal Welfare and Farm Animal Behaviour, University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover
10.45– 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 – 11.40	<b>EFSA work on animal welfare and the challenges ahead</b> by <i>Dr. Oriol Ribó</i> , Senior Scientific Officer, Team Leader for Animal Welfare, EFSA
11.40-12.00	Discussions and questions
12.00 – 12.30	Conclusions by the chair of the meeting <i>Finn Sheye</i> , Policy Officer & Pre-Accession Coordinator, Legal and Policy Affairs Unit, EFSA
12.30 – 14.00	Lunch