

# SCIENTIFIC NETWORK ON RISK ASSESSMENT IN ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

9<sup>th</sup> Network of the National Contact Points (NCPs) for scientific support under Art 20 of Council Regulation (EC) 1099/2009



20-21 March 2024

09:40h - 17:30h / 13:00h - 16:00h

## FINAL AGENDA

**Location:** Online (Teams Platform)

**Chair:** Denise Candiani/Chiara Fabris

<b>Day 1 - 20/03/2024 - Joint session AHAW Network (AW topic) + Scientific NCPs Network</b>			
<b>Chair: Denise Candiani</b>			
<b>Time</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Presenter</b>
09:40	1	<b>Welcome and Apologies for absence</b>	Chair
	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adoption of the agenda</b></li> <li>• <b>Agreement of the minutes of the 8<sup>th</sup> meeting of the scientific NCPs Network</b></li> </ul>	Chair
09:45	3	<b>Presentation of the new EFSA engagement strategy with stakeholders for Animal welfare mandates</b> Q&A	Yves van der Stede – AW Team Leader EFSA
09:55	4	<b>EFSA Network Teams space groups</b>	Chair
10:00	5	<b>Revision of the EU legislation on the protection of animals in the context of the Farm-to-Fork (F2F) strategy and other contexts</b>  Revision for Transport, cats and dogs, European Citizens' initiative 'Fur Free Europe', roadmap for future mandates.  Q&A	Christian Juliusson – G5 Unit, DG Sante
10:30	6	<b>Training content available in the BTSF ACADEMY in multilingual format</b>  Q&A	Desmond Maguire – F2 Unit, DG Sante
10:50	<i>Coffee break</i>		
<b>Day 1 - 20/03/2024 - Joint session AHAW Network (AW topic) + Scientific NCPs Network</b>			
<b>Chair: Chiara Fabris</b>			
11:05	7	<b>Update on the 2023-2024 activities of EFSA on animal welfare:</b>	
	7.1	<b>Welfare of turkeys on farm:</b>	
	7.1.1	Mandate on the welfare of turkeys on farm ( <a href="#">link</a> ) Q&A	Oana Maria Balmos - EFSA
11:20	7.1.2	<b>Mutilations on turkeys: feedback on EFSA survey</b> Introduction	EFSA and Network representatives



	7.1.2.1	Statistical overview of the questionnaires	EFSA
	7.1.2.2	Clarifications and overall discussion	EFSA and Network representatives
13:20	<i>Lunch break</i>		
<b>Day 1 - 20/03/2024 - Joint session AHAW Network (AW topic) + Scientific NCPs Network</b> <b>Chair: Denise Candiani</b>			
14:20	7.2	<b>Welfare of beef cattle:</b>	
	7.2.1	Mandate on the welfare of beef cattle ( <a href="#">link</a> ) Q&A	Sean Ashe - EFSA
14:35	7.2.2	<b>Mutilations on beef cattle: feedback on EFSA survey</b> Introduction	EFSA and Network representatives
	7.2.2.1	Statistical overview of the questionnaires	EFSA
	7.2.2.2	Clarifications and overall discussion	EFSA and Network representatives
16:10	<i>Coffee break</i>		
<b>Day 1 - 20/03/2024 - Joint session AHAW Network (AW topic) + Scientific NCPs Network</b> <b>Chair: Chiara Fabris</b>			
	8	<b>Exchange of information</b> - Presentations by Networks representatives	
16:30	8.1	<b>Pig tails</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• baseline measurement at slaughterhouses in NL;</li> <li>• a follow-up trial with image recognition of tails (Artificial Intelligence);</li> <li>• and implementation of open standards (Dutch working group).</li> </ul> Plenary discussion	Winanda Ursinus (The Netherlands)
16:45	8.2	<b>What are the obstacles to implement the EU legislation on pig farming?</b> (e.g. castration, tail biting prevention, housing conditions... are supported by evidence and laws, but not implemented) Plenary discussion	Claire Diederich (Belgium, Wallonia)
17:00	8.3	<b>Urban animals: how big the problem for coordinate actions?</b> (police, green spaces, animal welfare, fight for space, hygiene, care/love of animals...) Plenary discussion	Claire Diederich (Belgium, Wallonia)



17:15	8.4	<b>Animals in my life, animals in my heart: how to bring them together?</b> (perception from animal protection vs. animal production) Plenary discussion	Claire Diederich (Belgium, Wallonia)
17:30		AoB and conclusions from Day 1	Chair
17:30	<i>End of the joint session</i>		

<b>Day 2 - 21/03/2024 – scientific NCPs Network</b>			
<b>Chair: Chiara Fabris</b>			
<b>Time</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Presenter</b>
13:00		<b>Welcome, Adoption of the agenda of Day 2</b>	Chair
13:05	9	<b>Ongoing work and reflections on the revision of the EU legislation on the protection of animals at the time of killing</b> Q&A	Ester Alaez Pons – G5 Unit, DG Sante
13:35	10	<b>Ongoing EFSA mandates under the framework of Council Regulation (EC) 1099/2009</b>	
	10.1	<b>Update on the slaughter and on-farm killing mandates: sheep, goats and horses</b> Q&A	Chiara Fabris - EFSA
13:45	10.2	<b>Mandate on the use of Diathermic Syncope for stunning cattle (<a href="#">link</a>)</b> Q&A	Aikaterini Manakidou - EFSA
14:00	10.3	<b>Mandate on the use of high expansion foam for stunning and killing pigs and poultry (<a href="#">link</a>)</b> Q&A	Aikaterini Manakidou - EFSA
14:15	<i>Coffee break</i>		
14:30	11	<b>Exchange of information session scientific NCPs Network</b>	Network representatives
	11.1	<b>How to manage slaughter of pregnant cows</b> according to the age of the calf foetus Plenary discussion	Marie Koubkova (Czechia)
14:45	11.2	<b>On-farm slaughter: Who does What?</b> Plenary discussion	Claire Diederich (Belgium, Wallonia)
15:00	11.3	<b>Approaches to acceptable stun-to-stick intervals</b> Plenary discussion	Lotta Berg (Sweden)



15:15	11.4	<b>Killing of chicken embryos in shell in hatcheries</b> Plenary discussion	Brigitte Brugger (Iceland)
15:30	11.5	<b>Farmed fish welfare during slaughter:</b> stunning and killing methods Plenary discussion	Sara Rota Nodari (Italy)
15:45	11.6	<b>Ritual slaughter at Sacrifice Festival</b> Plenary discussion	Sara Rota Nodari (Italy)
16:00		Wrap-up and closure of scientific NCPs Network meeting	Chair
16:00	<i>End of the scientific NCPs Network meeting</i>		