

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON  
ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE  
161<sup>st</sup> Panel Plenary meeting**



12 December 2024, 09:00-12:00

13 December 2024, 09:00-12:00

Agenda

**Location:** Teleconference

**Chair:** Søren Nielsen

**Day 1: 12 December 2024**

No.	Item
1	Welcome and Apologies for absence
2	Adoption of the agenda
3	Declarations of interest
4	Agreement of the minutes of the 159th Panel plenary meeting held on 18-19 <sup>th</sup> September 2024
5	Report on written procedures.
6	Scientific outputs submitted for discussion/ adoption.
6.1	Art. 29 - Joint mandate EFSA-ECDC on Avian Influenza: Task 2. Scientific Opinion on zoonotic avian influenza- ( <a href="#">EFSA-Q-2024-00172</a> ) – Adoption.
6.2	Art. 29 – Scientific opinion concerning the killing for other purposes than slaughter of other species – horses – ( <a href="#">EFSA-Q2023-00310</a> )- Adoption .
6.3	Art 29 – Scientific opinion concerning the welfare of Beef Cattle - ( <a href="#">EFSA-Q-2023-00535</a> ) -Update.
8.	Update on new mandates
8.1	Risk of infection with highly pathogenic avian influenza virus affecting dairy cows in the United States of America (H5N1, Eurasian lineage goose/Guangdong clade 2.3.4.4b. genotype B3.13)
End of day 1	



**Day 2: 13 December 2024**

**6 Scientific outputs submitted for discussion/ adoption (continuation).**

- 6.4 Art. 31- Draft Scientific and technical assistance ([EFSA-Q-2023-00647](#)): Housing systems and applied practices of keeping turkeys (*Meleagris gallopavo gallopavo*)

**7 Other scientific topics for information/discussion**

- 7.1 Art. 29- GMO unit: Scientific opinion on new developments in biotechnology applied to animals -([EFSA-Q-2023-00050](#)) – update on the aspects related to AW assessment

**6 Scientific outputs submitted for discussion/ adoption (continuation)**

- 6.5 Art.29 – Fish diseases’ introduction in free areas ([EFSA-Q-2024-00668](#))
- 6.6 Art. 31 – Joint mandate EFSA-ECDC on Avian Influenza: Task 4. Coordinated One Health investigation and management of outbreaks in humans and animals caused by zoonotic avian influenza viruses ([EFSA-Q-2024-00173](#))
- 6.7 Art 29 – Scientific opinion concerning the welfare of animals kept for fur production – ([EFSA-Q-2023-00869](#)) -First reading (mink).

**9 Feedback from the Scientific Committee**

- 9.1 Not applicable

**10 AOB**

- 10.1 Not applicable

**End of day 2**