



Animal welfare during transport



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Animal transport

- Background Regulation
- EFSA opinion and mandate
- Study
- Report
- And then?





Background

- Welfare during transport
- ■1991, 1995, 1998 and 2005
- No changes in
 - Space allowances
 - Transport time
 - Resting time





Background cont

- No agreement on changes in transport time.
- Article 32
- Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council





Previous Commission Proposal Not successful

Current Commission Report Enforcement







EFSA – mandate

- Request for a scientific opinion
- January 2010
- The report shall take into account scientific evidence on welfare needs of animals





EFSA – mandate

- March 2002 SCAHAW (Scientific Committee on Animal Health and Animal Welfare).
 - Horses, pigs, sheep and cattle
- March 2004 EFSA
 - Poultry, rabbits, cats, dogs etc
- October 2004 EFSA
 - Temperature





EFSA - Terms of reference

- Collect the most recent scientific information available
 - Main farmed species
- Assess the risk for the welfare of the transported animals according to the provisions in 1/2005.





Assess the risk in relation to

- Fitness for transport
- Means of transport
- Transport practices
- Watering and feeding interval, journey times and resting periods
- Additional provisions for long journeys (horses, cattle, goats, sheep, pigs)
- Space allowances



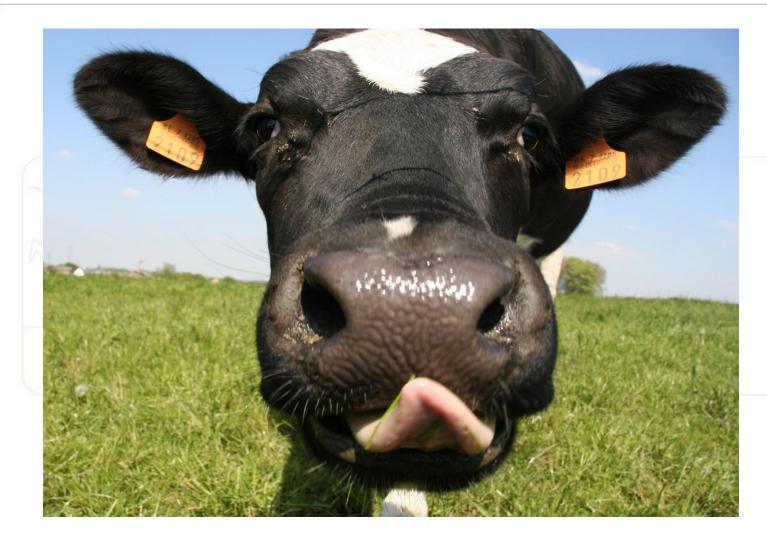


EFSA - Terms of reference

- Evaluate animal welfare indicators
 - Possible use as alternative to present requirements
 - Only indicators for "practical use"











Study

- Impact on animal welfare
- Impact on trade flows
- Implementation of navigation system
- Socio-economic implications
- Regional implications





Impact on animal welfare

- Impact of administrative measures
- Impact of new technical rules
- Enforcement
 - Difficulties which and why?
 - Jurisdictional systems influence?
 - Guidelines?





Impact on trade flows

- Impact of the Regulation on trade flows
 - Enlargement
 - ■Infrastructure
 - Discrepancies in implementation
- Data on transport of animals

Implementation of navigation system

- Present state of play on implementation
 - Uniform application?
 - Level playing field?
 - How do CA:s use information?
 - Stakeholder opinion wishes for amendment?





Socio-economic implications

- Impact on the concerned sectors?
 - Employment
 - Cost structure
 - Administrative burden





Regional implications

- Impact on farming activities in regions
- National rules being applied (outermost regions)?





Report

- scientific evidence on welfare needs of animals (EFSA)
- impact of 1/2005 on welfare of animals
- the trade flows of live animals
- the implementation of the navigation system
- socio-economic implications, including regional aspects





Timetable

- EFSA (European Food Safety Authority)
 - Stakeholder meeting 13 October 2010
 - Opinion 31 December 2010
- Study end February 2011
- Commission report End 2011





And then what???



