

**ALPHA UNIT**

**Scientific Panel on animal health and welfare**

**Minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the working group on small scale farms for dairy cows**

**Held on 7-20-21-24 04 2015, webconference**

**(Agreed on 24 04 2015)**

**Participants**

• **Working Group Members:**

Ludovic Cziszter

Christine Fourichon

Christoph Winckler

George Stilwell

Hans-Hermann Thulke

• **EFSA:**

Denise Candiani

**1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from Ludovic Cziszter (7 04 2015), George Stilwell (21 04 2015), Christine Fourichon (7 and 21 04 2015).

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes<sup>1</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director implementing this Policy regarding Declarations of Interests<sup>2</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest and the Specific Declaration of interest) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified

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during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of interest at the beginning of this meeting.

#### **4. Agreement of the minutes of the 9th Working Group meeting held on 16 17 April 2015, Parma.**

The minutes of the of the 9th Working Group meeting held on 16 17 April 2015 in Parma were agreed on the 24 April 2015.

#### **5. Scientific topic for discussion ([EFSA-Q-2014-00096](#))**

Discussion of data analysis - focused on risk factors and animal-based measures - from the outcomes of the on-farm survey run in the context of the preparatory work in support of this opinion.

Finalisation of section 1 of the scientific opinion (small scale farm definition and categorisation), section 2 (feasibility of welfare assessment protocols) and section 3 (impact of production diseases).

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**Scientific Panel on animal health and welfare**

**Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of the working group on small scale farms for dairy cows**

**Held on 16-17 04 2015, Parma**

**(Agreed on 24 04 2015)**

**Participants**

• **Working Group Members:**

Ludovic Czyszter

Christine Fourichon

Christoph Winckler

George Stilwell

• **EFSA:**

Denise Candiani

Josè Cortinas

Jane Richardson

**1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from Hans-Hermann Thulke.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes<sup>3</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director implementing this Policy regarding Declarations of Interests<sup>4</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest and the Specific Declaration of interest) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified

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during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of interest at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Agreement of the minutes of the 8th Working Group meeting held on 19 20 25 March 2015 by webconference.**

The minutes of the of the 8th Working Group meeting held on 19 20 25 March 2015 by webconference were agreed.

**5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion ([EFSA-Q-2014-00096](#))**

Discussion of data analysis from the outcomes of the on-farm survey on farm descriptors, risk factors and animal-based measures that was run in the context of the preparatory work in support of this opinion.

**6. Next meeting**

07 20 21 24/ 04/ 2015 webconference

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**Scientific Panel on animal health and welfare**

**Minutes of the 8<sup>th</sup> meeting of the working group on small scale farms for dairy cows**

**Held on 19-20-25 03 2015, webconference**

**(Agreed on 17 04 2015)**

**Participants**

• **Working Group Members:**

Ludovic Czyszter

Christine Fourichon

Christoph Winckler

George Stilwell

• **EFSA:**

Denise Candiani

Josè Cortinas

Jane Richardson

**6. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from Hans-Hermann Thulke.

**7. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**8. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes<sup>5</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director implementing this Policy regarding Declarations of Interests<sup>6</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest and the Specific Declaration of interest) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified

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during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of interest at the beginning of this meeting.

**9. Agreement of the minutes of the 7th Working Group meeting held on 26 February 2015, WEBconference.**

The minutes of the of the 7th Working Group meeting held on 26 February 2015 via webconference were agreed.

**10. Scientific topic for discussion ([EFSA-Q-2014-00096](#))**

Discussion on data analysis from the outcomes of the on-farm data collection.

**11. Next meeting**

16-17 04 2015

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**Scientific Panel on animal health and welfare**

**Minutes of the 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of the working group on small scale farms for dairy cows**

**Held on 26 02 2015, webconference**

**(Agreed on 19 03 2015)**

**Participants**

- **Working Group Members:**

Ludovic Czyszter  
Christine Fourichon  
Christoph Winckler  
George Stilwell  
Hans-Hermann Thulke

- **EFSA:**

Denise Candiani  
Josè Cortinas  
Jane Richardson

**1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes<sup>3</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director implementing this Policy regarding Declarations of Interests<sup>4</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest and the Specific Declaration of interest) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified

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during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of interest at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Agreement of the minutes of the 6th Working Group meeting held on 10-11 February 2015, Parma.**

The minutes of the of the 6th Working Group meeting held on 10-11 February 2015 in Parma were agreed.

**5. Scientific topic for discussion ([EFSA-Q-2014-00096](#))**

Discussion of the draft scientific opinion, especially focused on production diseases, in preparation to the AHAW Panel Plenary discussion.

**6. Next meetings**

19-20-25 03 2015 webconferences



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**Minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of the working group on small scale farms for dairy cows**

**Held on 10-11 02 2015, Parma**

**(Agreed on 26 02 2015)**

**Participants**

- **Working Group Members:**

Ludovic Cziszter

Christine Fourichon

Christoph Winckler

George Stilwell

- **EFSA:**

Denise Candiani

Josè Cortinas

Jane Richardson

**1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from Hans-Hermann Thulke.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes<sup>5</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director implementing this Policy regarding Declarations of Interests<sup>6</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest and the Specific Declaration of interest) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No

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conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of interest at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Agreement of the minutes of the 6th Working Group meeting held on 10-11 February 2015, Parma.**

The minutes of the of the 6th Working Group meeting held on 10-11 February 2015 in Parma were agreed.

**5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion ([EFSA-Q-2014-00096](#))**

Overall presentation and discussion with the Contractor of the Procurement project about preliminary outcomes of the on-farm data collection on small scale farms

**6. Next meeting**

26 02 2015 webconference

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**Scientific Panel on animal health and welfare**

**Minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> meeting of the working group on small scale farms for dairy cows**

**Held on 1-4-9 12 2014 via webconference**

**(Agreed on 10 02 2015)**

**Participants**

- **Working Group Members:**

Ludovic Czyszter

Christine Fourichon

Christoph Winckler

George Stilwell

Hans-Hermann Thulke

- **EFSA:**

Denise Candiani

**1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes<sup>7</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director implementing this Policy regarding Declarations of Interests<sup>8</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest and the Specific Declaration of interest) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of interest at the beginning of this meeting.

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#### **4. Agreement of the minutes of the 4th Working Group meeting held on 12 November 2014, Milan Malpensa**

The minutes of the of the 4th Working Group meeting held on 12 November 2014 in Milan Malpensa were agreed.

#### **5. Scientific topic for discussion ([EFSA-Q-2014-00096](#))**

Discussion of output for finalisation of the draft document to be published for public consultation including the review of the available description of small scale farms for dairy cows.

#### **6. Next meeting**

10-11 02 2015

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**Scientific Panel on animal health and welfare**

**Minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the working group on small scale farms for dairy cows**

**Held on 12 11 2014, Milan Malpensa airport**

**(Agreed on 01 12 2014)**

**Participants**

- **Working Group Members:**

Ludovic Czyszter  
Christine Fourichon  
Christoph Winckler  
George Stilwell  
Hans-Hermann Thulke

- **EFSA:**

Denise Candiani  
Josè Cortinas  
Jane Richardson

**1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes<sup>9</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director implementing this Policy regarding Declarations of Interests<sup>10</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest and the Specific Declaration of interest) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified

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during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of interest at the beginning of this meeting.

#### **4. Agreement of the minutes of the 3rd Working Group meeting held on 22-23 October 2014, Parma**

The minutes of the of the 3rd Working Group meeting held on 22-23 October 2014 in Parma were agreed.

#### **5. Scientific topics for discussion ([EFSA-Q-2014-00096](#))**

Presentation of results from objective 1 and 2 from the procurement (collection of information from dairy umbrella organisation about criteria for small scale farms). Presentation of draft protocol for on-farm based survey and presentation from EFSA of the data model for objective 4 (sampling plan).

#### **6. Next meetings**

1-4-9 12 2014 webconferences

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**ALPHA UNIT**

**Scientific Panel on animal health and welfare**

**Minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the working group on small scale farms for dairy cows**

**Held on 22-23 10 2014, Parma**

**(Agreed on 12 11 2014)**

**Participants**

- **Working Group Members:**

Ludovic Cziszter  
Christine Fourichon  
Christoph Winckler  
George Stilwell  
Hans-Hermann Thulke

- **EFSA:**

Denise Candiani  
Luca Pasinato  
Josè Cortinas  
Jane Richardson

**1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes<sup>11</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director implementing this Policy regarding Declarations of Interests<sup>12</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest and the Specific Declaration of interest) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No

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conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of interest at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Agreement of the minutes of the 2nd Working Group meeting held on 17-18 September 2014, Parma**

The minutes of the of the 2nd Working Group meeting held on 17-18 September 2014 in Parma were agreed.

**5. Scientific topic for discussion ([EFSA-Q-2014-00096](#))**

Discussion on preliminary outcomes from the Procurement project on small scale farms description and categorisation.

**6. Next meeting**

12 11 2014



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**Scientific Panel on animal health and welfare**

**Minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the working group on small scale farms for dairy cows**

**Held on 17-18 09 2014, Parma**

**(Agreed on 22 10 2014)**

**Participants**

- **Working Group Members:**

Ludovic Czyszter  
Christine Fourichon  
Christoph Winckler  
George Stilwell  
Hans-Hermann Thulke

- **EFSA:**

Denise Candiani  
Luca Pasinato  
Josè Cortinas  
Jane Richardson

**1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes<sup>13</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director implementing this Policy regarding Declarations of Interests<sup>14</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest and the Specific Declaration of interest) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No

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conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of interest at the beginning of this meeting.

#### **4. Agreement of the minutes of the 1st Working Group meeting held on 8-9 July 2014, Parma**

The minutes of the of the 1st Working Group meeting held on 8-9 July 2014 in Parma were agreed.

#### **5. Scientific topics for discussion ([EFSA-Q-2014-00096](#))**

Revision of the protocol for welfare assessment for the on-farm data collection. Preparation of the kick-off meeting with the Contractor of the Procurement (Preparatory work for the scientific opinion on small scale farms).

#### **6. Next meeting**

22-23 10 2014

**ALPHA UNIT**

**Scientific Panel on animal health and welfare**

**Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the working group on small scale farms for dairy cows**

**Held on 08-09 07 2014, Parma**

**(Agreed on 16 09 2014)**

**Participants**

- **Working Group Members:**

Ludovic Czyszter

Christine Fourichon

Christoph Winckler

George Stilwell

- **EFSA:**

Denise Candiani

Luca Pasinato

Anna Zuliani

Josè Cortinas

Jane Richardson

**1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from Hans-Hermann Thulke.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

### **3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes<sup>15</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director implementing this Policy regarding Declarations of Interests<sup>16</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest and the Specific Declaration of interest) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of interest at the beginning of this meeting.

### **4. Scientific topic for discussion**

Overall presentation of the mandate on small scale farms ([EFSA-Q-2014-00096](#)) including outline of the opinion, task subdivision. Drafting of the data model for the on-farm data collection.

### **5. Next meeting**

17-18 09 2014

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