



ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH UNIT

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND ANIMAL WELFARE

MINUTES OF THE 2nd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE TRANSPORT OF ANIMALS (FREE MOVING SPECIES)

WEB-conference (Teams), 14 December 2020

(Agreed on 22nd December 2020)

Participants

■ Working Group Members:¹

Mette Herskin (Chair)

Antonio C. Velarde

Barbara Padalino

Bernadette Earley

Clive Phillips

Leonardo Nanni Costa

Sonia Marti

Genaro C. Miranda De La Lama

■ Hearing Experts²:

Michael Cockram

Nancy De Briyne

■ EFSA:

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² As defined in Article 15 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:

http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/expertselection.pdf

APLHA Unit:
Seán Ashe
Maria V. Veggeland
Denise Candiani
Mimi Kalcheva
Cristina Rapagna

EFSA Unit on Assessment & Methodologies:
Olaf Mosbach-Schulz

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 of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence³ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management⁴, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting.

For further details on the outcome of the screening of the Annual Declarations of Interest, as well as the Oral Declaration(s) of Interest at the beginning of the meeting, and for conflicts of interest identified therein, please refer to the Annex.

Oral Declaration(s) of Interest were asked at the beginning of the meeting and no additional interest was declared.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 1st Working Group meeting held on 12 November 2020, VIDEO/WEB/TELE-conference.

The minutes of the 1st Working Group meeting were agreed by written procedure on 26 November 2020.

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

⁴ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

⁶ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2020-00481>

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. **Presentation of the list of welfare consequence revised by the Task Force**

The list and definitions of welfare consequences to be used throughout the assessment was presented and discussed by the WG experts.

5.2. **Presentation of the methodology to identify the most relevant welfare consequences for a transport scenario**

A four-step process to select the most relevant welfare consequences for a given transport scenario was demonstrated : exclusion of the non-applicable welfare consequences; selection of the welfare consequences of most importance; selection of the welfare consequences that are clearly not relevant and the ranking of any remaining welfare consequences.

5.3. **Selection of welfare consequences for several transport scenarios**

The experts selected the most relevant welfare consequences for various example transport scenarios using the methodology described above.

6. Any Other Business

The fact that EFSA intends to seek a public consultation on this Scientific Opinion most likely towards the end of the first quarter in 2021 was presented and discussed.

7. Next meeting

The next Working Group meeting was planned for 20 January 2021 as a WEB conference (Teams) 9-17.

Annex

Interests and actions resulting from the screening of Annual Declarations of Interest (ADoI)

CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH WAIVERS: In the Annual Declaration of Interest filled by Dr Genaro C. Miranda De La Lama the following interest has been declared: that he provides consultancy services to the Federacion Nacional de Avicultores de Colombia (FENAVI) which is classified by EFSA as a non-Public Institution, which constitutes a Conflict of Interest (CoI) with the mandate of the EFSA Working Group in hand. In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence⁵ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management⁶, and taking into account the specific matters discussed at the meeting in question, a waiver was granted in accordance with Article 21 of the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management. Pursuant to Article 21(6) of the above-mentioned Decision, the concerned expert was allowed to take part in the discussion and in the drafting phase of the EFSA Scientific Report. Dr. Miranda De La Lama has not been allowed to be, or act as, a chairman, a vice-chairman or rapporteur of the Working Group.

⁵ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

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Certain interests were declared orally by the members before the beginning of the meeting. For further details on the outcome of the screening of the Oral Declaration(s) of Interest made at the beginning of the meeting, please refer to the Annex.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. An introduction to the protection of animals during transport⁶

An overview of the mandate was presented.

4.2. The Protection of Animals during Transport (The mandate)

The Terms of Reference of the mandate were presented and discussed. The proposed methodology for the delivery of the opinion along with the structure of the opinion was demonstrated using EFSA's recently published opinion: *Welfare of Cattle at Slaughter*.

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4.3. The Common Scenarios/Transport Practices of Interest

A list of general scenarios or transport practices that will undergo assessment, in addition to the specific scenarios highlighted by the Commission in the mandate, was drafted by the WG.

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Interests and actions resulting from the Oral Declaration of Interest done at the beginning of the meeting

NO CONFLICT: With regard to this meeting, Prof. Clive Phillips declared the following interest: he has just started some consultancy work for Harvard University (USA). In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence⁶ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management⁷, and taking into account the specific matters discussed at the meeting in question, the interest above was not deemed to represent a Conflict of Interest for the expert concerned.

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