Today I met of Eurogroup for Animals for an initial exchange on the Indonesia FTA.

The meeting was of introductory nature. explained he is reaching out to various geographical units in addition to the colleagues in D3 whom he meets regularly. He handed out the brochure he had also shared with D3 and briefly explained the draft model for a stand-alone chapter for animal welfare in EU FTAs – which he admitted was an ambitious proposal. I explained the relatively limited trade in animal products between the EU and Indonesia – and the likely reluctance from Indonesia to expand into any language on AW going beyond cooperation. After the meeting sent detailed date on EU exports in live animals and animal meat – amounting to 5.5 mio EUR in total (attached).