Meeting of Member State experts on reporting for controls of animal welfare on farm

9 to 10 April 2019

Grange-SANTE F building
Grange, Dunsany, Co. Meath, Ireland

FINAL AGENDA

Objective: to develop a framework to replace the reporting arrangement required by Commission Decision 2006/778

Participants

Tuesday, 9 April

09:00 – 12:30 Discuss reporting required by Commission Decision 2006/778
Presentation on a standard model form for the annual reports submitted by Member States -
Background

Discuss decision 2006/778
1. Can it be used to identify the main animal welfare concerns in relation to farmed species?
2. Are the consequences for animal welfare are reported (e.g. lameness not housing problem)?
3. What are the needs of the Commission?

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch Break

14:00 – 17:30 Nordic Council project "Use of animal-based welfare indicators in official inspections at farms –
Indicators included in the OIE Terrestrial Code (chapters 7.1, 7.9, 7.10, 7.11, 7.13) -
Wednesday, 10 April

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Discuss possible improvements to these reporting arrangements
1. Can we advise on planning for official controls so that this results in a clearer picture when the outcome of inspections are analysed?
2. What other data is used or could be used as risk criteria for official controls? (e.g. slaughterhouse data)
3. Is there value from concluding on the extent and severity of any problems found?
4. What other data is used in private schemes to measure animal welfare?
5. Are indicators used to measure the success of any animal welfare measures as part of rural development programmes?
6. Are there other inspection systems (not necessarily linked with animal welfare) which you think provide a good model, and which we could learn from?

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Lunch Break

14:00 – 15:00  
Conclusions and next steps
1. The main animal welfare concerns in relation to farmed species which should be reported on.
2. Which consequences for animal welfare can be reported without increasing admin burden unnecessarily?
3. Develop a questionnaire for all Member State authorities.