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### QUESTIONNAIRE for Veterinary Competent Authorities to collect data on:

"Administrative burden, administrative costs and compliance costs related to current Animal Health legislation and the new possible elements of the Animal Health Law"

**(point 4 of the Programming document<sup>1</sup>  
for the Animal Health Strategy 2007-2013)**

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<sup>1</sup> [http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/diseases/strategy/pillars/action\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/diseases/strategy/pillars/action_en.htm).

**Aims of this questionnaire:**

This questionnaire aims to collect readily available data on administrative costs (cost linked to information obligations) and compliance costs incurred by public authorities when implementing EU animal health legislation.

**Structure of the questionnaire**

The questionnaire contains two main parts. The first part of the questionnaire relates to administrative and compliance costs imposed by current EU legislation. In order to avoid duplication of work, administrative obligations imposed by the current animal health legislation that have been assessed in a different framework (identification and registration obligations) are not included in this questionnaire. The second part of the questionnaire relates to the possible additional administrative and compliance costs that the new elements of the new Animal Health Law could have for the competent authorities. It was considered that the elements that are more likely to create administrative costs are the implementation of biosecurity plans on animal holdings and the extension of surveillance networks.

Since the questionnaire covers a wide range of issues that may affect different official services of the Member States, please feel free to fill in only those parts that are applicable/relevant to your work.

**Who should reply**

This questionnaire is addressed to competent authorities in the Member States (national/regional and local level) in charge of implementing animal health legislation.

**How the answers will be used**

The answers will be used by the European Commission to assess the impact of the Animal Health Law. The results will be presented in aggregated form only or as representative region without identifying the data source or disclosing confidential information.

**What we are interested in receiving**

Data provided by the competent authorities are essential in order to assess the possible impacts (positive/negative) that the new Animal Health Law will have on administrative and compliance costs. Average numbers and estimations are welcomed as we understand the difficulties on providing exact figures. If similar assessments of administrative and compliance costs of animal health legislation have been carried out in your Member State they are also welcomed.

In order to simplify the costs estimation, the majority of the questionnaire relates to the number of hours needed to perform an action. This has been done where the main costs relate to personnel costs. However, also data on costs of material, visits, etc; have been included. To facilitate the calculations we kindly ask you to provide the data on costs in Euros.

We would like to apologise for submitting the questionnaire only in English, as due to time constraints we have decided to proceed only with one language version.

We would like to thank you in advance for your contribution, as it is highly valuable to us and is crucial in the process of assessing the feasibility of different options.

### **Practical instructions for filling in the questionnaire**

1. You can download the Word file of the questionnaire and fill it in using Word. You can download the Word version of the questionnaire from here:  
[http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/diseases/strategy/pillars/consultation\\_process\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/diseases/strategy/pillars/consultation_process_en.htm)
2. After preparing all the answers in Word, you should sent it to the functional mailbox [SANCO-animalhealthlaw@ec.europa.eu](mailto:SANCO-animalhealthlaw@ec.europa.eu)
3. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us: [SANCO-animalhealthlaw@ec.europa.eu](mailto:SANCO-animalhealthlaw@ec.europa.eu)

### **Deadline for filling in the questionnaire**

The questionnaire can be completed online until **15 March 2010** and will be deactivated after that.

Thank you for your participation and for your valuable contribution to this process!

## Questionnaire

### *Basic Data on the competent authority filling the questionnaire*

<i>Name of the competent authority / institution</i>	Please specify
<i>Country</i>	Please specify
<i>Questionnaire completed by (Name of person, position, contact details):</i>	Please specify
<i>Type of competent authority/institution</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Central <input type="checkbox"/> Regional <input type="checkbox"/> Local
<i>Address</i>	Please specify
<i>Contact Person</i>  <i>Name</i>  <i>Role in organisation</i>	Please specify  <input type="checkbox"/> senior management <input type="checkbox"/> management <input type="checkbox"/> strategy/policy function <input type="checkbox"/> specialist/expert <input type="checkbox"/> other, please specify

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## Part I

### 1. Data on administrative and compliance costs imposed by current animal health legislation

1.1. Data on approval and registration of assembly centres – (Directives 90/425/EC, 64/432/EEC, 91/68/EC, 90/426/EEC), sites for cleansing and disinfection (Directive 64/432/EEC), dealers premises (Directives 90/425, 64/432, 91/68, 90/426, 92/65), national markets, semen collection and storage centres and embryo production and collection teams (Directives 88/407, 90/429 and 89/556), poultry establishments, hatcheries (Directive 90/539/EEC), authorisation of aquaculture production business and processing establishments (Directive 2006/88/EC) and quarantine facilities or centres for imports of certain birds into the Community (Commission Regulation (EC) No 318/2007).

*1.1.1. Please estimate the annual average number of applications / dossiers received for evaluation and authorisation / approval / re-authorisation, re-approval of EU approved premises.*

<i>Type of premises</i>	<i>Number of dossier/year</i>
Assembly centres	
Sites for cleansing and disinfection	
Dealers premises	
Semen collection and storage centres, embryo production and collection teams	
Poultry establishments	
Hatcheries	
Quarantine facilities/centres	
<b>Aquaculture production business</b>	
<b>Processing establishment (aquaculture)</b>	
Others	

**1.1.2. Please give an estimate of the human resources (type of personnel and average time in hours) needed for assessing one dossier received for evaluation and authorisation / approval / re-approval for EU approved premises.**

		<b>TYPE OF PREMISES</b>					
		Assembly centres	Sites for cleansing and disinfection	Dealers premises	Semen collection and storage centres, embryo production and collection teams.	Poultry establishments, hatcheries, quarantine centres	Aquaculture production business, processing establishment
<b>TYPE OF PERSONNEL</b>	Official veterinarian, *	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>
	Approved veterinarians**	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>
	Technician / assistant	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>
	Desk officers – administrative personnel	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>
	Other (specify)	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>	<i>hours/dossier</i>

\*By official veterinarian we consider the veterinarian employed by the state and specifically trained for this task

\*\* By approved veterinarian we consider a veterinarian, who is not employed by the state, but performs duties on behalf of the state under special arrangement with the competent authority.

**1.1.3. Does the approval procedure for national markets/centres/bodies and the requirements for this approval differ from the one used for approval of EU premises?**

Yes

No

**1.1.4. Does the approval procedure for national markets/centres/bodies require substantially bigger amount of resources in terms of:**

- **Staff:**  Yes  
 No

- **Time**  Yes  
 No

- **Expertise**  Yes  
 No

- **Cost**  Yes  
 No

**1.1.5. Please give an estimate of the human resources (type of personnel and average time in hours) needed for keeping of national/regional registers (introducing data, up-dating) for EU approved premises, including notifying the list of approved premises to the Commission and making this information available to the public and the Member States in one calendar year .**

		<b>TYPE OF PREMISES</b>					
		Assembly centres	Sites for cleansing and disinfection	Dealers' premises	Semen collection and storage centres, embryo production and collection teams.	Poultry establishments, hatcheries, quarantine centres	Aquaculture production business, processing establishment
<b>TYPE OF PERSONNEL</b>	Official veterinarian	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>
	Technician /Assistant	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>
	Desk officers Administrative personnel	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>
	Other (specify)	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>

**1.1.6. Please give an estimate of the human resources (type of personnel and average time in hours) needed for keeping national/ regional registers (introducing data, up-dating) for non-EU approved premises in one calendar year, if relevant.**

		<b>TYPE OF PREMISES</b>			
		Assembly centres	Sites for cleansing and disinfection	Dealers' premises	Semen collection and storage centres, embryo production and collection teams, other bodies, centres, institutes
<b>TYPE OF PERSONNEL</b>	Official veterinarian,	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>
	Desk officers Administrative staff	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>
	Technician Assistant	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>
	Other (specify)	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>hours</i>

**1.1.7. Please give an estimate in Euros of the direct costs for approval of one premise. In case you have only available the total cost of the approval procedure, please provide the total cost and estimate percentage of the total value for each activity.**

		<b>TYPE OF PREMISES</b>						
		Assembly centres	Sites for cleansing and disinfection	Dealers premises	Semen collection centres, embryo collection teams, other bodies, centres, institutes	Poultry establishment, hatcheries, quarantine centres	Aquaculture production, processing establishment	
<b>COSTS (€) or % of a total sum of a visit</b>	<b>COST (€)</b>	Total cost of a visit						
	Tariffs – veterinary personnel							
	Travel costs in case of field visits							
	Other direct cost (specify)							

**1.2. Trade operations / checks at origin and destination / certification (Directives 90/425, 64/432, 91/68, 90/426, 90/539, 92/65, 2006/88/EC)**

**1.2.1. Please provide an estimate of the human resources (type of personnel needed and average time in hours) needed to carry out one visit to perform the checks at origin and certify the consignment/consignments**

		<b>TYPE OF PREMISES</b>	
		Holding of origin	Assembly centre
<b>TYPE OF PERSONNEL</b>	Official veterinarian,	<i>hours/consignment or group of consignments</i>	<i>hours/ consignment or group of consignments</i>
	Approved veterinarians,	<i>hours/ consignment or group of consignments</i>	<i>hours/ consignment or group of consignments</i>
	Certifying officer*	<i>hours/ consignment or group of consignments</i>	<i>hours/ consignment or group of consignments</i>
	Assistants / senior assistants	<i>hours/ consignment or group of consignments</i>	<i>hours/ consignment or group of consignments</i>
	Others	<i>hours/consignment or group of consignments</i>	<i>hours/ consignment or group of consignments</i>

\* For aquaculture

**1.2.2. Please provide an estimate in Euros of the direct costs of one visit or if you have available only the total cost of this visit, please try to estimate percentage of the total value for each activity**

		TYPE OF PREMISES		
		Holding of origin	Assembly centres	
<b>COSTS (€ or % of the total cost of the visit)</b>	<b>CO ST (€)</b>	Total cost of one visit		
	Travel			
	Equipment			
	Protective clothing			
	Sampling			
	Supporting administrative work in the office			
	Other direct cost (specify)			
	Number of certificated/signed by the visit			

**1.2.3. Is the certification process performed only with TRACES system?**

- Yes  
 No  
 Sometimes

**1.2.4. Is TRACES used for direct issuing of certificates?**

- Yes  
 No

*If the answer is No:*

- *please specify the reasons:*
  
- *please provide an estimate of the time spent for issuing an additional "internal" certificate:*
  
- *please provide an estimate of the additional time used for TRACES "notification + certificate"*

**1.2.5. Is TRACES certificate issued in advance of the visit in all cases:**

- Yes
- No

*If the answer is NO please specify the reasons.*

**1.2.6. Is TRACES movement notification completed by:**

- official veterinarian
- official inspector
- technical / administrative staff
- others (specify)

**1.2.7. Please provide an estimate of the average time used for TRACES data entering for each certificate-consignment:**

- Less than 10 min
- Less than ½ hour
- More than ½ hour
- More than 1 hour
- Other (specify)

**1.2.8. Please provide an estimate of the average time used for TRACES data entering per day/ per Local veterinary unit (LVU):**

- Less than 1 hour
- More than one hour and less than three hours
- 3-4 hours
- More than 4 hours

**1.2.9. Are TRACES regions corresponding to the ADNS regions in your country?**

- Yes  
 No

*If the answer is No, could you explain which the consequences for your daily work are?*

- Additional time and resources needed to carry out the work?  
 Additional costs (telephone calls, faxes, etc) (specify in Euro, if possible)  
 No consequences – this does not represent a particular problem  
 Other

**1.2.10. In your view, for which staff additional training is needed in order to ensure adequate use of TRACES?**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management / policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarian,</i>	<i>Approved veterinarians,</i>	<i>Technicians / assistants</i>	<i>Others</i>
<i>Training needed (Yes/No)</i>					

**1.2.11. In your view, at which level/s this additional training should be organized?**

<i>Level</i>	<i>EU</i>	<i>National</i>	<i>Regional</i>	<i>Others</i>
<i>Training needed (Yes/No)</i>				

**1.2.12. Does the certification in your opinion overlap with other notification/reporting activities**

- Yes  
 No

*If the answer is yes, please specify with which other activities it overlaps:*

- Animal movement notification and traceability  
 Products traceability  
 Food Chain Information  
 Animal welfare transport provisions  
 Other (specify which)

**1.2.13. Are the data that you need to provide to different databases / systems by your opinion overlapping?**

- Yes*  
 *No*

*If the answer is yes, please specify which:*

- National identification and registration databases  
 TRACES  
 ADNS/ADIS  
 RASFF  
 Other national databases  
 BT-net  
 AI  
 OIE  
 Other (specify)

### **1.3. Eradication, control and monitoring programmes, ADNS notifications**

#### Legal basis:

- Council Directive 64/432/EEC of 26 June 1964 on animal health problems affecting intra-Community trade in bovine animals and swine
- Council Directive 77/391/EEC of 17 May 1977 introducing Community measures for the eradication of brucellosis, tuberculosis and leucosis in cattle
- Council Directive 82/400/EEC of 14 June 1982 amending Directive 77/391/EEC and introducing a supplementary Community measure for the eradication of brucellosis, tuberculosis and leucosis in cattle
- Council Directive 78/52/EEC of 13 December 1977 establishing the Community criteria for national plans for the accelerated eradication of brucellosis, tuberculosis and enzootic leukosis in cattle
- Council Directive 80/1095/EEC of 11 November 1980 laying down conditions designed to render and keep the territory of the Community free from classical swine fever
- Council Directive 82/894/EEC of 21 December 1982 on the notification of animal diseases within the Community
- Council Directive 90/539/EEC of 15 October 1990 on animal health conditions governing intra-Community trade in, and imports from third countries of, poultry and hatching eggs
- Council Directive 91/68/EEC of 28 January 1991 on animal health conditions governing intra-community trade in ovine and caprine animals
- Council Directive 92/66/EEC of 14 July 1992 introducing Community measures for the control of Newcastle disease
- Council Directive 2001/89/EC of 23 October 2001 on Community measures for the control of classical swine fever
- Council Directive 2002/60/EC of 27 June 2002 laying down specific provisions for the control of African swine fever and amending Directive 92/119/EEC as regards Teschen disease and African swine fever
- Council Directive 2003/85/EC of 29 September 2003 on Community measures for the control of foot-and-mouth disease
- Council Directive 2005/94/EC of 20 December 2005 on Community measures for the control of avian influenza and repealing Directive 92/40/EEC
- Council Directive 2006/88/EC of 24 October 2006 on animal health requirements for aquaculture animals and products thereof, and on the prevention and control of certain diseases in aquatic animals
- Council Decision 90/424/EEC of 26 June 1990 on expenditure in the veterinary field

**1.3.1. Please provide an estimate of the human resources (type of personnel and average time in hours) needed for drafting of one average size programme**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management, policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarians</i>	<i>Institute / Laboratory experts</i>	<i>Others (specify)</i>
<i>Hours</i>				

**1.3.2. Please provide an estimate of the human resources (type of personnel and average time in hours) needed for reporting to the Commission on the implementation of the programmes.**

***Intermediate reports***

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management, policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarian</i>	<i>Institute / Laboratory experts</i>	<i>Others (specify)</i>
<i>Hours</i>				

***Final reports***

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management, policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarians</i>	<i>Institute / Laboratory experts</i>	<i>Others (specify)</i>
<i>Hours</i>				

**1.3.3. Please provide an estimate of the human resources (type of personnel and average time in hours) needed for updating annually the Commission and the Member States on the disease situation in your Member State (as required by Directive 64/432/EEC)**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management, policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarian</i>	<i>Others (specify)</i>
<i>Hours</i>			

**1.3.4. Please provide an estimate of the human resources (type of personnel and average time in hours) needed for one ADNS notification.**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management, policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarian</i>	<i>Others (specify)</i>
<i>Hours</i>			

**1.3.5. Please provide an estimate of the human resources (type of personnel and average time in hours) needed for one WAHIS/WAHID (OIE) notification.**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management, policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarian</i>	<i>Others (specify)</i>
<i>Hours</i>			

#### 1.4. Contingency plans

##### Legal basis:

- Council Directive 92/35/EEC of 29 April 1992 laying down control rules and measures to combat African horse sickness
- Council Directive 92/66/EEC of 14 July 1992 introducing Community measures for the control of Newcastle disease
- Council Directive 92/119/EEC of 17 December 1992 introducing general Community measures for the control of certain animal disease and specific measures relating to swine vesicular disease
- Council Directive 2000/75/EC of 20 November 2000 laying down specific provisions for the control and eradication of bluetongue
- Council Directive 2001/89/EC of 23 October 2001 on Community measures for the control of classical swine fever
- Council Directive 2002/60/EC of 27 June 2002 laying down specific provisions for the control of African swine fever and amending Directive 92/119/EEC as regards Teschen disease and African swine fever
- Council Directive 2003/85/EC of 29 September 2003 on Community measures for the control of foot-and-mouth disease
- Council Directive 2005/94/EC of 20 December 2005 on Community measures for the control of avian influenza and repealing Directive 92/40/EEC
- Council Directive 2006/88/EC of 24 October 2006 on animal health requirements for aquaculture animals and products thereof, and on the prevention and control of certain diseases in aquatic animals

***1.4.1. Please provide an estimate of the human resources (type of personnel and average time in hours) needed for the preparation of a contingency plan at a national level.***

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management, policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarian,</i>	<i>Veterinary practitioners</i>	<i>Laboratory experts</i>	<i>Other experts (veterinary practitioners, meteorologists, ornithologists, hunters...)</i>	<i>Other official staff (civil protection, environmental, health.... authorities)</i>
<i>Hours</i>						

**1.4.2. Please provide an estimate of the human resources (type of personnel and average time in hours) needed for the preparation of the submission of a contingency plan for approval by the Commission..**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management, policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarian,</i>	<i>Veterinary practitioners</i>	<i>Laboratory experts</i>	<i>Other experts (veterinary practitioners, meteorologists, ornithologists, hunters...)</i>	<i>Other official staff (civil protection, environmental, health.... authorities)</i>
<i>Hours</i>						

**1.4.3. Please provide an estimate of the human resources (type of personnel needed and average time in hours) needed for the preparation of a contingency plan at regional level (if relevant).**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management, policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarian,</i>	<i>Veterinary practitioners</i>	<i>Laboratory experts</i>	<i>Other experts (veterinary practitioners, meteorologists, ornithologists, hunters...)</i>	<i>Other official staff (civil protection, environmental, health.... authorities)</i>
<i>Hours</i>						

**1.4.4. Please provide an estimate of the human resources (type of personnel needed and average time in hours) needed for the updating of different procedures (chapters, operational manuals) of a contingency plan and for preparing and performing simulation exercises at national level.**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management, policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarian,</i>	<i>Veterinary practitioners</i>	<i>Laboratory experts</i>	<i>Other experts (veterinary practitioners, meteorologists, ornithologists, hunters...)</i>	<i>Other official staff (civil protection, environmental, health.... authorities)</i>
<i>Hours</i>						

**1.4.5. Please provide an estimate of the human resources (type of personnel and average time in hours) needed for updating of different procedures (chapters, operational manuals) of a contingency plan and preparing and performing simulation exercises at regional level (if relevant).**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management, policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarian, Approved veterinarians,</i>	<i>Veterinary practitioners</i>	<i>Laboratory experts</i>	<i>Other experts (meteorologists, ornithologists, hunters...)</i>	<i>Other official staff (civil protection, environmental, health.... authorities)</i>
<i>Hours</i>						

## Part II

### 2. Possible new elements of the Animal Health Law

#### 2.1. Biosecurity plans

Biosecurity plan means a plan that identifies potential pathways for the introduction and spread of disease in a holding (farm) and describes the measures which are being or will be applied to mitigate the disease risks.

A biosecurity plan must describe at least the following elements:

- procedures for entering / exiting the holding with the vehicles (veterinarians, artificial insemination, milk collection, feed delivery, carcasses collection, etc)
- measures that address isolation of new animals brought to the farm,
- standstill period before introducing new animals in the farm
- isolation of sick animals,
- regulation of the movement of people, animals, ,
- surveillance system introduced on farm.
- rules and procedures for using the equipment
- division of the holding into the clean and unclean part and procedures to enter clean part (if applicable for the type of holding)
- protective biosecurity procedures at the entrance and exit of the farm or part of the holding (washing, cleaning, disinfection – shoes, hands, equipment),
- change of clothes, footwear (if necessary)
- procedures for closing, fencing, covering animals
- correct use of feed,
- procedures for cleaning and disinfecting facilities

It should also display from the side of the operator awareness of and compliance with existing legal obligations, e.g. on notification of diseases and describe the roles of the responsible persons being animal owner, keeper (if not the same as owner) and responsible veterinary practitioner.

**2.1.1. If biosecurity plans are to be introduced by the EU legislation, can you assess the average time (in hours) and the personnel needed for developing protocols or guidelines for the drafting of on-farm biosecurity plans (as described above)**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Policy staff</i>	<i>Official veterinarians,</i>	<i>Approved veterinarians / Veterinary practitioners</i>	<i>Technicians / assistants</i>	<i>Others</i>
<i>Hours</i>					

**2.1.2. If biosecurity plans are to be introduced by the EU legislation, do you think that they should be approved by the competent authority?**

- Yes  
 No

**2.1.3. If biosecurity plans are to be introduced by the EU legislation, please estimate the average time (in hours) and the personnel needed to assess a biosecurity plan as described above for an average holding (desk exercise)**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Policy staff</i>	<i>Official veterinarians,</i>	<i>Approved veterinarians / Veterinary practitioners</i>	<i>Technicians / assistants</i>	<i>Others</i>
<i>Hours</i>					

**2.1.4. If biosecurity plans are to be introduced by the EU legislation, can you estimate the average time (in hours) and the personnel needed to verify on the spot the implementation of a biosecurity plan as described above for an average holding**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Policy staff</i>	<i>Official veterinarians,</i>	<i>Approved veterinarians / Veterinary practitioners</i>	<i>Technicians / assistants</i>	<i>Others</i>
<i>Hours</i>					

**2.1.5. Would additional training be necessary for you/ your staff in order to be able to draft and implement biosecurity plans?**

- Yes  
 No

**2.1.6. If the answer is yes, for which staff would additional training be needed in order to prepare biosecurity plans?**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Official veterinarian,</i>	<i>Approved veterinarians,</i>	<i>Private practitioners</i>	<i>Technicians</i>	<i>Others</i>
<i>Training needed (Yes/No)</i>					

**2.1.7. In your view, at which level/s this additional training should be organized?**

<i>Level</i>	<i>EU</i>	<i>National</i>	<i>Regional</i>	<i>Others</i>
<i>Training needed (Yes/No)</i>				

**2.2. Surveillance networks**

Directive 64/432/EEC on animal health problems affecting intra-Community trade in bovine animals and swine as amended and updated by Directive 97/12/EEC provides for the possibility that a Member State introduces a system of surveillance networks. The implementation of surveillance network enables the Member State in question to use some trade facilitation mechanisms.

The surveillance network system comprises at least the following elements:

- the herds,
- the owner or any other natural or legal person responsible for the holding,
- the approved veterinarian or the official veterinarian responsible for the holding,
- the official veterinary service of the Member State,
- the official veterinary diagnostic laboratories or any other laboratory approved by the competent authority and
- a computer database.

Official veterinarians for the slaughtering establishments and approved assembly centres are to be associated with the network system.

The main objectives of the surveillance network system are to make the official classification of holdings, to maintain such classification by regular inspection, to collect epidemiological data and to carry out disease monitoring so as to ensure compliance Community legislation on animal health.

Surveillance networks as described above may be extended to other species and set as a general rule in the new Animal Health Law.

**2.2.1. If surveillance networks as defined in Directive 64/432/EEC are to be extended to other species, could you provide an estimation of the time needed to prepare the documentation and submit it to the Commission for the approval of the surveillance network?**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management, policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarians</i>	<i>Approved veterinarians / Veterinary practitioners</i>	<i>Technicians / assistants</i>	<i>Others</i>
<i>Hours</i>					

**2.2.2. If surveillance networks as defined in Directive 64/432/EEC are to be extended to other species, could you provide an estimation of the costs (in terms of time and resources) for establishing a list of approved veterinarians?**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management, policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarians</i>	<i>Approved veterinarians / Veterinary practitioners</i>	<i>Technicians / assistants</i>	<i>Others</i>
<i>Hours</i>					

**2.2.3. If surveillance networks as defined in Directive 64/432/EEC are to be extended to other species, could you provide an estimation of the costs (in terms of time and resources) for the approval procedures for holdings?**

<i>Type of personnel</i>	<i>Management, policy officers</i>	<i>Official veterinarians</i>	<i>Approved veterinarians / Veterinary practitioners</i>	<i>Technicians / assistants</i>	<i>Others</i>
<i>Hours</i>					

**2.2.4. If surveillance networks as defined in Directive 64/432/EEC are to be extended to other species, could you provide an estimation the costs of organisational changes and structuring of different entities that you can envisage at this stage (laboratories, administrative authorities?)**

<i>Type of costs</i>	<i>Administrative authorities</i>	<i>Laboratories</i>	<i>Veterinary practices</i>	<i>Others</i>
<i>Costs</i>  €				

**2.2.5. If surveillance networks as defined in Directive 64/432/EEC are to be extended to other species, could you provide an estimation of the costs of linking the surveillance network (administrative costs, computer links, and interfaces between different databases) as far as you can envisage those at this stage?**

<i>Type of cost</i>	<i>Administrative cost</i>	<i>Computer system</i>	<i>Computer links</i>	<i>Database interfaces</i>	<i>Others</i>
<i>Cost</i> €					

## **Annex. Relevant legislation.**

- Council Directive 90/425/EEC concerning veterinary and zootechnical checks applicable in intra-Community trade in certain live animals and products with a view to the completion of the internal market

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CONSLEG:1990L0425:20021119:EN:PDF>

- Council Directive (64/432/EEC) of 26 June 1964 on animal health problems affecting intra-Community trade in bovine animals and swine

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CONSLEG:1964L0432:20081231:EN:PDF>

- Council Directive 91/68/EEC on animal health conditions governing intra-Community trade in ovine and caprine animals

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CONSLEG:1991L0068:20080903:EN:PDF>

- Council Directive 90/426/EEC on animal health conditions governing the movement and import from third countries of equidae

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:31990L0426:EN:HTML>

- Council Directive 90/539/EEC on animal health conditions governing intra-Community trade in, and imports from third countries of, poultry and hatching eggs

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CONSLEG:1990L0539:20080903:EN:PDF>

- Council Directive 92/65/EEC laying down animal health requirements governing trade in and imports into the Community of animals, semen, ova and embryos not subject to animal health requirements laid down in specific Community rules referred to in Annex A (I) to Directive 90/425/EEC

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CONSLEG:1992L0065:20080903:EN:PDF>

- Council Directive 88/407/EEC laying down the animal health requirements applicable to intra-Community trade in and imports of deep-frozen semen of domestic animals of the bovine species

[http://eur-lex.europa.eu/Result.do?T1=V3&T2=1988&T3=407&RechType=RECH\\_naturel&Submit=Search](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/Result.do?T1=V3&T2=1988&T3=407&RechType=RECH_naturel&Submit=Search)

- Council Directive of 26 June 1990 laying down the animal health requirements applicable to intra-Community trade in and imports of semen of domestic animals of the porcine species (90/429/EEC)

[http://eur-lex.europa.eu/Result.do?T1=V3&T2=1990&T3=429&RechType=RECH\\_consolidated&Submit=Search](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/Result.do?T1=V3&T2=1990&T3=429&RechType=RECH_consolidated&Submit=Search)

- Council Directive 89/556/EEC of 25 September 1989 on animal health conditions governing intra-Community trade in and importation from third countries of embryos of domestic animals of the bovine species

[http://eur-lex.europa.eu/Result.do?T1=V3&T2=1989&T3=556&RechType=RECH\\_naturel&Submit=Search](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/Result.do?T1=V3&T2=1989&T3=556&RechType=RECH_naturel&Submit=Search)

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 318/2007 of 23 March 2007 laying down animal health conditions for imports of certain birds into the Community and the quarantine conditions thereof (Text with EEA relevance)

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CONSLEG:2007R0318:20090716:EN:PDF>