



# WORKSHOP ON PIG WELFARE

**17 November 2009**

Walter Hallstein Room, Berlaymont Building  
Brussels

## Agenda

- 09.30 to 10.00** Welcome and registration of participants
- 10.00 to 10.15** ***Introduction: Objectives of the workshop on pig welfare***  
**Bernard Van Goethem**, Commission, Health and Consumers DG
- 10.15 to 11.00** ***EU legislation on the welfare of pigs and its current state of implementation in Member States***  
**Terence Cassidy**, The Commission inspection service of Health and Consumers DG
- 11.00 to 11.25** ***Scientific Opinions of the European Food Safety Authority on the welfare of pigs***  
**Professor Bo Algers**, Department of Animal Environment and Health, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences
- 11.25 to 11.35** *Coffee break*
- 11.35 to 12.00** ***Implementation of group housing of sows in Cataluña: the practical experience of a veterinary practitioner***  
**Dr. Miquel Collell**, Veterinary practitioner, Consultant on pig welfare
- 12.00 to 12.30** ***Case Study No 1: Group housing of sows and providing enrichment material to pigs. Practical implementation in a farm***  
**Annechien ten Have Mellema**, Pig farmer, President of the organisation of pig producers belonging to LTO (NL)
- 12.30 to 13.00** ***Case Study No 2: Providing enrichment material and avoiding routine tail docking and tooth clipping. Practical implementation in farms***  
**Dr. Ruth Clements**, Veterinary practitioner, Food Animal Initiative (UK)
- 13.00 to 14.30** ***Lunch break***

- 14.30 to 14.35**      ***Perspectives from the Parliamentary Intergroup on the welfare and conservation of animals***  
**Caroline Lucas**, Member of the European Parliament President of the Parliamentary Intergroup on the welfare and conservation of animals
- 14.35 to 15.00**      ***Economical impact of the implementation of EU legislation***  
**Kees de Roest**, Economist, Centro Ricerche Produzioni Animali S.p.A.
- 15.00 to 15.25**      ***Cross compliance enhances the implementation of EU legislation on pig welfare through raising awareness of farmers***  
**Juan Alvarez de la Puente**, Commission, Agriculture and Rural Development DG
- 15.25 to 15.50**      ***Cross compliance: a useful tool to obtain better implementation of EU legislation on pig welfare. Practical implementation in a Member State***  
**Taina Mikkonen**, Head of Animal Welfare Section, Finnish Food Safety Authority
- 15.50 to 16.20**      ***Case Study No 3: Providing enrichment material and avoiding routine tail docking and tooth clipping/group housing of sows. Practical implementation in a farm***  
**Thierry Schweitzer**, Pig farmer, Les fermiers de l'Est S.A. (France)
- 16.20 to 16.30**      ***Coffee break***
- 16.30 to 16.55**      ***Initiatives to improve compliance with EU legislation on pig welfare***  
**Peter Stevenson**, Chief Policy Advisor, Compassion in World Farming
- 16.55 to 17.15**      ***Perspectives for the future and conclusions***  
**Andrea Gavinelli**, Commission, Health and Consumers DG

*The meeting will be translated in the following languages: FR-DE-EN-IT-ES-NL-SV-CS-RO*