

Workshop on Pig Welfare - Castration of piglets

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Berlaymont Building - Walter Hallstein Room, RP Schumann, Brussels

Time table	Presentations	Speakers
9.30 - 10.00	Welcome of participants	
10.00 - 10.10	Introduction: Objectives of the workshop on piglet castration	B. Van Goethem , Deputy Director General, Health and Consumers DG, EU Commission
10.10 - 10.35	Situation of pig castration in the Member States – Results of research projects and studies	Michel Bonneau – Coordinator of PIGCAS INRA
10.35 - 11.15	Current trends	Antonio Tavares , Chairman of the Copa-Cogeca pig meat working party
		Gé Backus , Head Consumer & Behaviour at LEI Wageningen UR
		Ricard Pares , Director of the Catalan Pig Producer Association
		Henri de Thoré , Breiz Europe
11.15 - 11.40	General debate	
11.40 - 11.55	Coffee break	
11.55 - 12.25	Attitudes of EU citizens to boar taint – Results of a study	Angels Oliver , Coordinator of ALCASDE, IRTA
12.25 - 12.45	The Danish experience related to meat production from entire males	Susanne Stoeier , Director of Centre, Danish Meat Research Institute
12.45 - 14.15	Lunch break	
14.15 - 14.35	Methods to detect boar taint	John Erik Haugen , Senior researcher, Norwegian Institute of Food, Fisheries and Aquaculture Research
14.35 - 15.05	Consumers demands and market strategy	Marc Jansen , Director Consumer Affairs and Quality, Dutch Food Retail Association
		Ignacio Blanco-Traba , McDonald's Europe
15.05 - 15.20	The Way Forward for Ending the Castration of Piglets	Heinz Schweer , Agricultural Relations, VION
15.20 - 15.45	General debate	
15.45 - 16.00	Coffee break	
16.00 - 16.35	SABRE project - Genomics applied to breeding against boar taint - Breeding against boar taint	Barbara Harlizius , Senior Researcher Genomics, Institute for Pig Genetics
		Egbert Knol , Institute for Pig Genetics
16.35 - 16.45	Alternatives to castration: overview & opportunities	Stéphan Martin , Director, Swine Marketing - Europe, Africa, Middle East, Pfizer Animal Health
16.45 - 17.45	General discussion on the way forward	