

# *ACTION PLAN OF PROTECTION OF LAYING HENS IN GREECE*



# BACKGROUND

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- **The financial crisis and the recession that has been occurred in Greece from 2008 has huge influence to the poultry farm sector.**
- **The lack of investment funds to this sector, the increased feedings prices and the avian flu led to the inefficient implementation of the Dir 74/1999 EC**

# ACTION PLAN

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- Within 7 months (by 31/7/2012) all laying hens establishment will be provided with enriched cages or alternative system
- By the end of January 2012 the Central Veterinary Directorate will have the updated situation of the whole country after the checks on the spot we have already performed

# FOLLOWING ACTIONS(1)

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- List of the farmers who appropriate implement the community legislation
- List of the farmers who have conventional and enriched cages
- List of the farmers with conventional cages with actions taken in 2011 but not fulfilled. In that case additional information has been sent by the farmer for the reasons of delay and the new complete progress report.
- List of the farmers with no compliance
- All of these list will be updated every month starting from 20/1/2012

## FOLLOWING ACTIONS(2)

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- In all farms using conventional cages lifted the approval number with strong obligation to fulfill the community requirements by 31/7/2012.
- In the transitional period all eggs take only the code number of holding without the number 3 , for example the existing number of holding 3EL010001, will be replaced by the new code number EL010001.
- In the transitional period all eggs will be placed to the local market.

# SANCTIONS

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- It is planned that existing sanctions will be amended and included in a unique sanction system, which will ensure harmonised enforcement across services. Now a draft of National Law will be elaborated by Legal Service before its submission to the Greek Parliament for adoption.