



EU ANIMAL WELFARE TODAY AND TOMORROW

Stakeholders conference

**Borschette Building, Room 2A & 4A
Rue Froissart 36, B-1040 Brussels**

9th December 2021
(Hybrid meeting) #TIME4AW

Moderators: Aminda Leigh and Florence Ranson

09.00-09.30 Welcome coffee (5th floor)

09.30-09.50 Opening speeches

- ▶ **Stella Kyriakides**, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety (9:30-9:40)
- ▶ **Jože Podgoršek**, Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Food, Slovenia (9:40-9:50)

09.50-10.05 Fitness check findings

- ▶ **Bernard Van Goethem**, Director for Crisis preparedness in food, animals and plants, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission

10.05-10.50 Debate on the Fitness check (“Questions and Answers” format, with ‘slido’ tool)

10.50-11.20 Coffee Break (5th floor)

11.20-11.30 Revision of the legislation: options for its review and introduction on the panel discussions

- ▶ **Andrea Gavinelli**, Head of Unit ‘Animal welfare, Antimicrobial resistance’, Directorate Crisis preparedness in food, animals and plants, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission

11.30-12.00 Keynote speech by Dr Jane Goodall, followed by “Questions and Answers” session between the public, Dr Goodall and Commissioner Kyriakides

**1 12.00-13.15
PANEL ON LABELLING (ROOM 2A) - Moderator Florence Ranson**

- ▶ **Tamás Éder**, President of the Hungarian Meat Industry Federation; member of the Management Council of CLITRAVI (Liaison Centre for the Meat Processing Industry in the European Union)
- ▶ **Christina M. Nygaard**, Scientific Officer, Danish Veterinary and Food Administration
- ▶ **Gemma Willemsen**, Corporate strategic advisor, ‘Beter Leven’ label, Netherlands
- ▶ **Alexandra Joos**, Expert for Farm Animal Welfare, Four Paws International
- ▶ **David Trus**, Animal Welfare Coordinator, Department of Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada

13.15-14.30 Lunch (5th floor)

14.30 – 14.50 Keynote speeches

- ▶ **Janusz Wojciechowski**, European Commissioner for Agriculture (14.30 – 14.40)
- ▶ **Norbert Lins**, Member of the European Parliament, Chair of the Parliamentary Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development (14.40 – 14.50)

PARALLEL SESSIONS

**2 14.50-15.55
PANEL ON THE PHASING OUT OF CAGES (ROOM 2A)
Moderator Aminda Leigh**

- ▶ **Olga Kikou**, Head of Compassion in World Farming EU
- ▶ **Timothy Cullinan**, Pig farmer, President of Irish Farmers' Association and First Vice-President of Copa- Cogeca
- ▶ **Helena Elofsson**, Head of Animal Welfare, Swedish Board of Agriculture
- ▶ **Nikolaus Kriz**, Head of Unit for Animal and Plant Health, European Food Safety Authority
- ▶ **Nathalie Chaze**, Director for Food sustainability, international relations; Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission

**3 14.50-15.55
PANEL ON TRANSPORT (ROOM 1D)
Moderator Florence Ranson**

- ▶ **Susana Guedes Pombo**, Director General, Chief Executive Officer, Portugal
- ▶ **Tilly Metz**, Member of the European Parliament, Chair of the Parliamentary Committee of Inquiry on the Protection of Animals during Transport
- ▶ **Julia Havenstein**, Chair of Animals' Angels
- ▶ **Heinz Osterloh**, Vice-President of the European Livestock and Meat Trading Union (UECBV) and Chairman of UECBV's Livestock Section
- ▶ **Nick Dymond**, Counsellor, Veterinary Services, Sanitary and Phytosanitary, New Zealand Embassy to Belgium, Bulgaria, Luxembourg, Romania and Mission to the European Union
- ▶ **Leopoldo Stuardo**, Scientific Coordinator - Animal Welfare, Standards Department, World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE)

15.55-16.15 Coffee break (5th floor)

**4 16.15-17.20
PANEL ON SLAUGHTER (ROOM 2A)
Moderator Florence Ranson**

- ▶ **Laurens Hoedemaker**, Chairman of the Central Organization for the Meat Industry (COV) and the Association for the Dutch Meat Industry (VNV), member of the European Livestock and Meat Trading Union (UECBV)
- ▶ **Katharina Kluge**, Head of Unit 'Animal Welfare', Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture, Germany
- ▶ **Birthe Steenberg**, Secretary General of the Association of Poultry Processors and Poultry Trade in the EU (A.V.E.C.)
- ▶ **Frédéric Freund**, Director of OABA - Œuvres d'Assistance aux Bêtes d'Abattoirs
- ▶ **Antonio Velarde**, Head of the Animal Welfare Programme, Institute of Agrifood and Technology (IRTA)

**5 16.15-17.20
PANEL ON FARM LEVEL (ROOM 1D)
Moderator Aminda Leigh**

- ▶ **Reineke Hameleers**, Chief Executive Officer, Eurogroup for Animals
- ▶ **Michael Scannell**, Deputy Director-General of Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development, European Commission
- ▶ **Thomas Duffy**, Vice-President of the European Council of Young Farmers (CEJA)
- ▶ **Anja Hazekamp**, Member of the European Parliament, Chair of the Parliamentary Intergroup on the Welfare and Conservation of Animals
- ▶ **Jacopo Goracci**, Italian farmer from "Tenuta di Paganico", representing 'Slow Food'
- ▶ **Emmanuelle Soubeyran**, Directrice générale adjointe de l'alimentation, Chief Veterinary Officer, Ministère de l'Agriculture et de l'Alimentation, France

17.20-17.35 Wrap-up session of the panels by the moderators

17.35-17.45 Closing remarks by Claire Bury, Deputy-Director General for Food Sustainability, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission

