Multi-stakeholders meeting on the implementation of Council Directive 1999/74/EC on the protection of laying hens

**Agenda**
Brussels, 19/01/2011, Berlaymont Building, Room Schuman

**MORNING SESSION**
Moderator: Stefania Marrone, Unit C4 Animal Products, DG AGRI

10:00 Opening of the meeting
*Legal framework on the welfare of laying hens*
Denis Simonin, Unit D5 Animal Welfare, DG SANCO

10:05 **The European Egg sector**
Michiel Ruiter, Unit C4 Animal Products, DG AGRI

10:15 **Perspectives from the Food and Veterinary Office on the state of implementation**
Terence Cassidy, Unit F6 Animal Health and Welfare, DG SANCO

10:25 **Industry’s perspectives**
Mark Williams, EUWEP

10:40 **Farmers’ perspectives**
Charles Bours, COPA-COGECA

10:55 **Retailers' perspectives**
Chiara Tomalino, EUROCOOP

11:10 **NGOs' perspectives**
Michel Courat, Eurogroup for Animals

11:25 Coffee break

11:50 **Perspectives by MS' competent authorities on the state of enforcement of the legislation** - Open for volunteers: Czech Republic; Germany; Netherlands; Sweden; Poland

13:00 Lunch-break

**AFTERNOON SESSION**
Moderator: Andrea Gavinelli, Head Unit D5 Animal Welfare, DG SANCO

14:30 **Possible options for proper enforcement of Council Directive 1999/74/EC**
Andrea Gavinelli

14:40 **Debate over the options to be envisaged to ensure proper enforcement of Council Directive 1999/74/EC**

17:45 **Conclusions of the meeting**
Andrea Gavinelli

18:00 **End of the meeting**
Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, French, German, Italian, Spanish and Dutch.