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AGENDA

Section A  Information and/or discussion

A.01 General Information by Member States.

A.02 Information from Spain, Portugal, Italy, Croatia and the United Kingdom on the results of the implementation of the bovine brucellosis eradication programmes in 2015. (NK)

A.03 Information from Spain, Portugal, Italy, Croatia, and Greece on the results of the implementation of the ovine and caprine brucellosis eradication programmes in 2015. (NK)

A.04 Information concerning three declarations from Slovenia on surveillance programmes for achieving disease free status for infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN) and viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) for three compartments. (KR)

A.05 Information on a series of study visits to some Member States to collect information about certain aquaculture production systems as a basis for the drafting of delegated and implementing acts to the Animal Health Law. (KR)

A.06 Information from Italy on the latest epidemiological situation regarding small hive beetle (Aethina tumida, SHB). (PB/LK)

In late July 2016 SHB outbreaks occurred outside of the protection zones of the previous outbreaks but still within Calabria. The Italian authorities share the details of these along with the applied measures to control them.
A.07 Information by Italy on intended minor changes of the control programme for the eradication of infectious bovine rhinotracheitis in the Autonomous Province of Trento. (RS)

Since 2007 the Autonomous Province of Trento has an approved eradication programme for IBR. Due to the improved epidemiological situation Italy intends to use from 2017 the bulk milk testing for the IBR antibody detection in dairy farms with at least 30% lactating cows, as provided for in point 2.2.3 of paragraph 2 of Annex III to Commission Decision 2004/558/EC.

A.08 Report on the Community Veterinary Emergency Team (CVET) mission on ASF in Hungary, Romania and Estonia. (FB)

A.09 Update from Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland on the epidemiological situation, control and surveillance measures applied as regards African swine fever in these Member States as well as preventive measures and surveillance carried out in Romania. (FB)

A.10 Information from Denmark on low pathogenic avian influenza in poultry. (MP)

A.11 Information from France on low and highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5 in poultry. (MP)


This document fulfils the Commission's obligation to review Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1152/2011 in the light of scientific developments regarding Echinococcus multilocularis (EM) infection in animals and to submit the results of its review to the European Parliament and to the Council. Its purpose is to present the findings of the review which seeks in particular to assess the proportionality and the scientific justification of the preventive health measures laid down in that Regulation.

(A.12_SWD(2016) 214 final)

Section B Draft(s) presented for an opinion
B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision on the evolution of animal diseases in the Union.

(B.01_Emergency disease)

Procedure: Examination procedure


This document is relevant for both the AHW and the CIC agendas. It amends several animal health certificates and those amendments reflect recent amendments of Regulation (EC) No 999/2001. Those certificates are used by the Member States and non-EU countries during intra-EU trade in and imports from non-EU countries of ovine and caprine animals and semen thereof:

i. to certify compliance with the relevant EU rules and
ii. to enable official controls to check compliance with those rules.

As such they must be in line with the text of the relevant underlying rules, in this case those of Regulation (EC) No 999/2001.

(B.02_SANTE_7052_2016 R1)

Legal Basis: Council Directive 2009/156/EC, in particular Articles 12(1), 12(4), 16(2) and Article 19, points (a) and (b)

Procedure: Examination procedure


This draft aims at the update of diagnostic methods for African horse sickness (AHS) by deleting a description for the competitive ELISA, as the test is no longer used by National Reference Laboratories and it is no longer available commercially, by updating the procedures for the indirect and blocking ELISA tests in accordance with Chapter 2.5.1. of the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals of the OIE and by adding real-time RT-PCR to make that method available for the purpose of pre-movement testing.

The amendments are supported by the report prepared by European Union Reference Laboratory for AHS and consulted with other reference laboratories for AHS diagnosis.
Procedure: Examination procedure

Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation designating the EU reference laboratory for diseases caused by capripoxvirus (lumpy skin disease and sheep and goat pox), laying down additional responsibilities and tasks for this laboratory and amending Annex VII to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council. (MLL)

Legal Basis: Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 , Article 32(5) and (6)
Procedure: Regulatory procedure with scrutiny

Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending Decision 2008/185/EC in relation to the control of Aujeszky's disease in Lithuania. (RS)
The scope of this Decision is the approval of the eradication programme of Lithuania in relation to Aujeszky's disease granting also the relevant additional guarantees for the protection of that health status.

Procedure: Examination procedure

Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending Annex II to Decision 93/52/EEC as regards the recognition of the Province of Brindisi in the Region Puglia of Italy as officially free of brucellosis (B. melitensis). (RS)

Italy has submitted documentation to the Commission demonstrating compliance with the conditions laid down in Directive 91/68/EEC to be recognized as officially free of brucellosis (B. melitensis) for the Province of Brindisi in the Region Puglia. The entry for Italy in Annex II to Decision 93/52/EEC should therefore be amended accordingly.
B.07 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending Implementing Decision 2013/764/EU concerning animal health control measures relating to classical swine fever in certain Member States. (FB)

(B.07_SANTE_7039_2016)

Procedure: Examination procedure

B.08 Exchange of views and possible opinion on a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/2460 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5 in France. (MP)

(B.08_SANTE_7048_2016 R1)

Procedure: Examination procedure

B.09 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision concerning animal health control measures relating to lumpy skin disease in certain Member States and repealing Implementing Decisions (EU) 2015/1500, (EU) 2015/2055, (EU) 2016/645 and (EU) 2016/1183. (DD)


(B.09_SANTE_7089_2016)

Legal Basis: Council Directive 92/119/EEC, in particular Article 19(1)(a), (3)(a), (4) and (6)
Procedure: Examination procedure

B.10 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision approving the vaccination programmes against lumpy skin disease submitted by the Member States. (DD)

(B.10_SANTE_7088_2016)
**Legal Basis:** Council Directive 92/119/EEC, in particular Article 19(1)(a), (3)(a) and (6)

**Procedure:** Examination procedure

**B.11** Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision concerning certain protective measures relating to African swine fever in Poland. (FB)

This new text will allow for the review of the Commission Implementing Decision concerning certain interim protective measures relating to African swine fever in Poland.

(B.11_SANTE_7100_2016)


**Procedure:** Examination procedure

**B.12** Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU concerning animal health control measures relating to African swine fever in certain Member States. (FB)

(B.12_SANTE_7099_2016)


**Procedure:** Examination procedure