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AGENDA

Section A Information and/or discussion

A.01 General information by Member States.

A.02 Information from Member States on African swine fever. (SF)

The Member States will provide an update on the ASF epidemiological situation in their countries.

A.03 Information from EFSA on ASF related Scientific Opinions and Technical Report (SF)

A.04 EU Platform on Animal Welfare. (LC)

Commission Decision amending Decision 2017/C 31/12 establishing the Commission Expert Group 'Platform on Animal Welfare': extension of the mandate with a renewed membership

A.05 Commission update on reports received on infection with SARS-CoV-2 in minks and other animals of the family Mustelidae and in raccoon dogs. (FB)

A.06 Designation of the European Union reference centre for animal welfare for ruminants and equines. (KS)

Following the designation of the first European Union reference centre for animal welfare, which is responsible for pigs, in 2018 and the second centre, responsible for poultry and other small farmed animals, in 2019, the European Commission has now designated a third EU reference centre for animal welfare, which will be responsible for ruminants and equines.

A.07 Information from Member States on highly pathogenic avian influenza. (IC)

Bulgaria, France, Germany, Lithuania and Poland will present updated information in relation with the situation of highly pathogenic avian influenza on their territory.

A.08 Information and actions related to the implementation of the Animal Health Law. (BL/PRM)

The Commission will inform about the actions related to the entry into application of the Animal Health Law and discuss with the Member States on the state of play of its application.

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.

(Emergency disease)

Procedure: Examination procedure

B.02 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Annex I to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/605 laying down special control measures for African swine fever. (SF)

In order to take account of recent developments in the epidemiological situation of African swine fever in the Union, and in order to combat the risks associated with the spread of that disease in a proactive manner, new restricted zones of sufficient size should be demarcated for some Member States and duly listed in Annex I to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/605.

(SANTE/7092/2021)

Legal Basis: Regulation (EU) 2016/429 - Article 71(3)

Procedure: Examination procedure

B.03 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation laying down special control measures related to infection with lumpy skin disease virus. (ROP)

This draft Implementing Regulation lays down special temporary disease control measures regarding infection with lumpy skin disease virus to be applied by Member States for a limited period of time, in addition to the measures applied in the event of an outbreak of that disease provided for in Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687.

(SANTE/2021/7062)

Legal Basis: Regulation (EU) 2016/429 – Article 71(3)

Procedure: Examination procedure

B.04 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/641 on certain emergency measures in relation to outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza in certain Member States. (IC)

The EU regionalization in relation with outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza in certain Member States has to be updated to take into account the developments of the epidemiological situation.

(SANTE/7116/2021)

Legal Basis: Regulation (EU) 2016/429 - Article 259(1), point (c)

Procedure: Examination procedure

Section C **Draft(s) presented for discussion**

- C.01** Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Chapter 1 of Part I of Annex I to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620 as regards the disease-free status of Croatia and a region of Portugal from infection with *Brucella abortus*, *B. melitensis* and *B. suis* in bovine animal populations and amending Part I of Annex VIII as regards the disease-free status of Lithuania and certain regions of Germany and Italy from infection with bluetongue virus. (PRM)

(SANTE/7158/2021)

Legal Basis: Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council – Article 36(4)

Procedure: Examination procedure