

---

AHAW UNIT

**Scientific Panel on Animal Health and Welfare**  
**Minutes of the 21<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Working Group on Meat Inspection\_AHAW**  
**(Bovine/Small Ruminants/Solipeds/Farmed Game)**  
**Held on 6-7 03 2013, Parma**  
**(Agreed on 7 03 2013)<sup>1</sup>**

**Participants**

• **Working Group Experts:**

- Mariano Domingo (chair), Mohan Raj, Preben Willeberg (via teleconference during Bovine & Small ruminants draft opinion discussion 07 Mar 2013).
- Javier Dominguez (Bovine & Small Ruminants - via teleconference during Bovine & Small ruminants draft opinion discussion 07 Mar 2013), Declan Murray (Bovine & Small Ruminants - via teleconference during Bovine & Small ruminants draft opinion discussion 07 Mar 2013), Hanspeter Meier (Solipeds), Christian Gortazar Schmidt (Farmed Game)

• **EFSA:**

- AHAW Unit: Karen Mackay
- SAS Unit Gabriele Zancanaro

**1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes<sup>2</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director implementing this Policy regarding Declarations of Interests<sup>3</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest and the Specific Declaration of interest) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified

---

<sup>1</sup> The publication of the minutes shall be made without delay in compliance with the Founding Regulation and no later than 15 working days following the day of their agreement.

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencypolicy.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules.pdf>

during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of interest at the beginning of this meeting.

#### **4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion**

**4.1 Meat Inspection - Bovine ([EFSA-Q-2011-00324](#))**

**4.2 Meat Inspection - Small Ruminants ([EFSA-Q-2011-01036](#))**

The draft Opinions were reviewed and comments raised during the AHAW February Plenary were discussed, with final revisions proposed.

**4.3 Meat Inspection - Solipeds ([EFSA-Q-2011-01038](#))**

**4.4 Meat Inspection - Farmed Game ([EFSA-Q-2011-01037](#))**

The sections of these draft Opinions were reviewed and discussed, with particular focus given to the Conclusions and Recommendations.

For all four draft Opinions, tasks were assigned among the WG Experts and EFSA Secretariat and deadlines were agreed. The draft Opinions will be submitted to the AHAW Panel on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2013, for review prior to the possible endorsement at the next AHAW Plenary on 25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> March 2013.

#### **5. Next meeting(s)**

n/a.

AHAW UNIT

**Scientific Panel on Animal Health and Welfare**  
**Minutes of the 20<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Working Group on Meat Inspection (Bovine/Small Ruminants/Solipeds/Farmed Game)**  
**Held on 12-14 02 2013, Parma**  
**(Agreed on 14 02 2013)<sup>1</sup>**

**Participants**

• **Working Group Experts:**

- Mariano Domingo (chair), Mohan Raj, Preben Willeberg (via teleconference during Bovine draft opinion discussion 13 Feb 2013).
- Javier Dominguez (Bovine & Small Ruminants) Declan Murray (Bovine & Small Ruminants), Hanspeter Meier (Solipeds), Christian Gortazar Schmidt (Farmed Game)

• **EFSA:**

- AHAW Unit: Karen Mackay
- SAS Unit Gabriele Zancanaro

**1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes<sup>2</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director implementing this Policy regarding Declarations of Interests<sup>3</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest and the Specific Declaration of interest) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of interest at the beginning of this meeting.

---

<sup>1</sup> The publication of the minutes shall be made without delay in compliance with the Founding Regulation and no later than 15 working days following the day of their agreement.

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencypolicy.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules.pdf>

#### **4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion**

**4.1 Meat Inspection - Bovine ([EFSA-Q-2011-00324](#))**

**4.2 Meat Inspection - Small Ruminants ([EFSA-Q-2011-01036](#))**

The Bovine and Small Ruminants draft Opinions were discussed and new contributions were reviewed. Final revisions were proposed to both draft Opinions, prior to them being submitted to the AHAW Panel on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2013, for review prior to the possible endorsement at the next AHAW Plenary on 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> February.

**4.3 Meat Inspection - Solipeds ([EFSA-Q-2011-01038](#))**

**4.4 Meat Inspection - Farmed Game ([EFSA-Q-2011-01037](#))**

The Soliped and Farmed Game draft opinions were thoroughly discussed section by section, including the new contributions received from the WG members.

For all four draft Opinions, tasks were assigned among the WG Experts and EFSA Secretariat and deadlines were agreed.

#### **5. Next meeting(s)**

6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> March, EFSA, Parma.

---

AHAW UNIT

**Scientific Panel on Animal Health and Welfare**  
**Minutes of the 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Working Group on Meat Inspection\_AHAW**  
**(Bovine/Small Ruminants/Solipeds/Farmed Game)**  
**Held on 23-25 01 2013, Parma**

**(Agreed on 25 01 2013)<sup>1</sup>**

**Participants**

**• Working Group Experts:**

- Mariano Domingo (chair), Mohan Raj, Preben Willeberg.
- Javier Dominguez (Bovine & Small Ruminants) Declan Murray (Bovine & Small Ruminants), Hanspeter Meier (Solipeds), Christian Gortazar Schmidt (Farmed Game)

**• Hearing Experts:**

- Claire Laugier (1000-1100h, 23 Jan 2013) via teleconference in agenda point 'Discussion of COMISURV report /findings for Solipeds'.
- Nicolaos Dadios (1500-1600h, 23 Jan 2013), Ann Lindberg (1030-1100h & 1630-1700h, 24 Jan 2013) via teleconference in agenda point 'Discussion of COMISURV report /findings for Farmed Game'.

**• EFSA:**

- AHAW Unit: Karen Mackay, Ana Afonso
- SAS Unit Gabriele Zancanaro, Jose Cortinas Abrahantes
- BIOHAZ Unit: Luis Vivas-Alegre, Pietro Stella, Michaela Hempen

**1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

---

<sup>1</sup> The publication of the minutes shall be made without delay in compliance with the Founding Regulation and no later than 15 working days following the day of their agreement.

## 2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

## 3. Declarations of interest

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes<sup>2</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director implementing this Policy regarding Declarations of Interests<sup>3</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest and the Specific Declaration of interest) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of interest at the beginning of this meeting.

## 4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

### 4.1 Meat Inspection - Bovine ([EFSA-Q-2011-00324](#))

### 4.2 Meat Inspection - Small Ruminants ([EFSA-Q-2011-01036](#))

The sections of the Bovine and Small Ruminants draft opinions were discussed and areas were identified that required further input or modification, particular focus was given to the development of Conclusions and Recommendations.

### 4.3 Meat Inspection - Solipeds ([EFSA-Q-2011-01038](#))

### 4.4 Meat Inspection - Farmed Game ([EFSA-Q-2011-01037](#))

For the Soliped and Farmed Game draft opinions, the timeframe, approach and methodology to be used for the assessment were discussed. The structure and content for the various sections of both opinions were defined.

For all four draft Opinions, tasks were assigned among the WG Experts and EFSA Secretariat and deadlines were agreed.

## 5. Next meeting(s)

12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> February, EFSA, Parma.

---

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules.pdf>

---

AHAW UNIT

Parma, 11 January 2013

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of the meeting of Small Ruminants Working Group on AHAW Meat Inspection  
11 January 2013 Tele/Web Conference  
EFSA / AHAW**

**Agreed by the WG on 19 January 2013**

**Participants**

WG Experts                      Mariano Domingo (Chair), Preben Willeberg, Declan Murray, Javier Dominguez  
EFSA:                                Karen Mackay (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Mohan Raj.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and/or Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The draft AHAW appendix of the EFSA opinion on Small Ruminant meat inspection was presented and thoroughly discussed. Sections of the draft opinion to be developed further were agreed upon by the working group.

Other administrative and technical items, work timeframe and deadlines were discussed and agreed.

**5. Next meeting date**

23 to 25 January 2013, EFSA, Parma, Italy

AHAW UNIT

Parma, 10 December 2012

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of the meeting of the Bovine and Small Ruminants Working Group on AHAW  
Meat Inspection**

**10 December 2012 Tele/Web Conference**

**EFSA / AHAW**

**Agreed by the WG on 17 December 2012**

**Participants**

WG Experts                   Mariano Domingo (Chair), Preben Willeberg, Mohan Raj, Declan Murray, Javier Dominguez

EFSA:                         Karen Mackay (AHAW Unit)

                                      Gabriele Zancanaro (SAS Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and/or Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The draft AHAW appendices of the EFSA opinions on Bovine meat inspection and Small Ruminant meat inspection were presented and thoroughly discussed.

Other administrative and technical items, work timeframe and deadlines were discussed and agreed.

**5. Next meeting date**

11 January 2012 (tele/web conference).



AHAW UNIT

Parma, 15&16 November 2012

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of the meeting of the Bovine and Small Ruminants Working Group on AHAW  
Meat Inspection**

**Parma 15 & 16 November 2012**

**EFSA / AHAW**

**Agreed by the WG on 17 December 2012**

**Participants**

WG Experts	Mariano Domingo (Chair), Mohan Raj, Declan Murray, Javier Dominguez (Apologies Preben Willeberg)
Technical Expert	Ann Lindberg
EFSA:	Karen Mackay (AHAW Unit) Luis Vivas-Alegre (BIOHAZ Unit) Pablo Romero Barrios (BIOHAZ Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and/or Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The approach and methodology to be used for the assessment were discussed and the structure and content for the various sections of both opinions were discussed and defined.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were discussed and agreed.

**5. Next meeting date**

10<sup>th</sup> December 2012 – tele/web conference

AHAW UNIT

Parma, 19 October 2012

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of the meeting of the Working Group on AHAW Meat Inspection**

**Parma 19 October 2012**

**EFSA / AHAW**

**Agreed by the WG on 31 October 2012**

**Participants**

WG Experts                      Mariano Domingo (Chair), Mohan Raj, Preben Willeberg  
EFSA:                                Karen Mackay (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and/or Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The draft opinion structure and proposed content for the remaining opinions was discussed, together with the results from the COMISURV contract work.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were discussed and agreed.

**5. Next meeting date**

15 & 16 November 2012.

Parma, 26/6/2012

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of the meeting of the working group on AHAW Meat Inspection**

Parma, 19 June 2012

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 1 July 2012**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel	Simon More (Chair, SM), Donald Broom (DB), Martin Wierup (MW), Mo Salman (MDS), ,
EFSA:	Ana Afonso, Irena Kralova (AHAW Unit) and Krisztina Nagy (PM Unit)
COMISURV:	Ann Lindberg, Katharina Stärk, Claire Laugier, Céline Dupuy, Annette Nigsch, Jo Hardstaff, Nikolaos Dadios,

**Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies received from Mariano Domingo (MD, Frank Koenen (FK), Moez Sanaa (MoS) and the EC.

**1. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted.

**2. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**3. Discussions**

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES: Deadlines for comments and delivery of reviewed reports were agreed. Approval of the reports by EFSA must be done before the 22/7/12 for final invoice and payment as in accordance to the contract.

COMISURV presentation: COMISURV presented the general approach of the work including the evolution in methodology that has taken place. Results from each work package were also presented and discussed.

AHAW OPINION: After the Executive director decision of 20/2/12 on multisectorial issues, a decision was taken that the opinion on meat inspection falls largely in the remit of BIOHAZ

panel. In accordance with Article 3 the BIOHAZ panel is the leading panel adopting the opinion. A Scientific Coordinating WG (SCICOWG) chaired by the chair of the BIOHAZ Panel will be established with the mandate to coordinate the work of all the involved parties (BIOHAZ, CONTAM and AHAW) and the aim to produce consistent and integrated draft opinions which will be adopted by the BIOHAZ Panel. It was proposed that the composition of the SCICOWG will be experts of each existing WGs, including the WG chair, the secretariat of the different units plus the chair of the BIOHAZ Panel.

The AHAW new panel will have its first meeting in 11-12 July where WG chairs will be appointed and the WG composition confirmed. The first meeting of the SCICOWG will take place as early as possible after the summer break.

---

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**WEB Minutes of the meeting of the working group on AHAW Meat Inspection**

Parma, 11 May 2012

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 24 May 2012**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair, SM), Donald Broom (DB), Martin Wierup (MW), Mo Salman (MDS). Mariano Domingo (MD), Moez Sanaa (MS)

EFSA:                                Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)

COMISURV:                        Ann Lindberg

**Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**1. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted.

**2. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**3. Discussions**

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES: Deadlines for comments and delivery of reviewed reports were agreed. Approval of the reports by EFSA must be done before the 22/7/12 for final invoice and payment as in accordance to the contract.

COMISURV presentation: COMISURV presented the work on the solipeds, small ruminants and farmed game reports. Clarifications needed for the bovine reports were discussed. The AHAW new panel will have its first meeting in 11-12 July where WG chairs will be appointed and the WG composition confirmed. The first meeting of the SCICOWG will take place as early as possible after the summer break.

Annex I and Annex II were discussed with the results of the data calculations and data inputs.

**4. Next meeting**

June 19 in Parma, together with COMISURV

---

Parma, 3 April 2012

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of tele/web meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 2 April 2012

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 3 April 2012**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair), Donald Broom, Mariano Domingo, Martin Wierup, Moez Sanaa, Mo Salman

EFSA:                                Milen Georgiev, (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received by Frank Koenen and the European Commission

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The comments on final refinements in the draft of AHAW part of EFSA opinion on meat inspection poultry were thoroughly discussed. Points indicating the limitations of modelling agreed within the working group experts. Conclusions and recommendations were discussed and drafted.

Other administrative and technical items and work timeframe were discussed and agreed.

Parma, 21 March 2012

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 20 March 2012

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 21 March 2012**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair), Donald Broom, Mariano Domingo, Martin Wierup, Moez Sanaa, Mo Salman

EFSA:                                Milen Georgiev, Tomasz Grudnik (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received by Frank Koenen and the European Commission

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The draft AHAW part of EFSA opinion on meat inspection poultry and comments provided by AHAW Panel were thoroughly discussed. Potential developments agreed with the working group. Some conclusions and recommendations drafted. Points for improvements in the quantitative assessment indicated.

Other administrative and technical items and work timeframe were discussed and agreed.

**5. Next meeting date : 2 April 2012, web/tele- conference**



Parma, 21 March 2012

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 12-13 March 2012

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 21 March 2012**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel	Simon More (Chair) on 12 (p.m.) - 13 (a.m.) March, Donald Broom on 12 - 13 (a.m.) March, Mariano Domingo 12 (p.m.) - 13 (a.m.) March, Martin Wierup on 12 (p.m.) - 13 (a.m.) March, Moez Sanaa on 12 (p.m.) - 13 (a.m.) March, Mo Salman on 13 a.m. March
EFSA:	Milen Georgiev 12 - 13 (a.m) March, Tomasz Grudnik 12 March (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received by Frank Koenen and the European Commission

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The draft AHAW part of EFSA opinion on meat inspection poultry was thoroughly discussed and key summaries drafted per section. Some points for improvement were indicated, particularly where additional evidences or explanations of the limitations needed. More clarifications and simplifications are necessary in the quantitative part.

Other administrative and technical items and work timeframe were discussed and agreed.

**5. Next meeting date : 20 March 2012, web/tele- conference**

Parma, 10 February 2012

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 7-8 February 2012

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 10 February 2012**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair), Donald Broom, Frank Koenen, Mariano Domingo, Martin Wierup, Moez Sanaa, Mo Salman,  
EFSA:                                Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received by the European Commission

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The implications for AHAW of proposed changes of meat inspection in respect to public health hazards, as updated recently, were thoroughly discussed. The key paragraphs and points for development in the AHAW part of EFSA opinion on meat inspection poultry were agreed with the working group. The potential options for use the information included in poultry report of AHAW contractor (CFT/EFSA/AHAW/2010/01) were discussed.

Draft report of the contractor (CFT/EFSA/AHAW/2010/01) on meat inspection bovine was presented and discussed with the working group.

Other administrative and technical items and work timeframe were discussed and agreed.

**5. Next meeting date : 12-13 March 2012**

Parma, 8 December 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting with the Chair of the working group  
on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 29 November 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 8 December 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair)  
EFSA:                              Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair was welcomed.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The comments on poultry report of AHAW contractor (CFT/EFSA/AHAW/2010/01) were discussed thoroughly. Received feed-backs on Stage 1 for small ruminants and solipeds were discussed and replies prepared.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were discussed.

**5. Next meeting date : 7-8 February 2012**

Parma, 8 December 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting with the Chair of the working group  
on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 29 November 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 8 December 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair)  
EFSA:                                Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair was welcomed.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The comments on poultry report of AHAW contractor (CFT/EFSA/AHAW/2010/01) were discussed thoroughly. Received feed-backs on Stage 1 for small ruminants and solipeds were discussed and replies prepared.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were discussed.

**5. Next meeting date : 7-8 February 2012**

Parma, 8 November 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 17 – 18 October 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 28 October 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair), Donald Broom, Mariano Domingo, Martin Wierup, Moez Sanaa, Mo Salman (MDS)

EFSA:                                Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)

Hearing expert:                Angus Cameron (17 Oct p.m. and 18 Oct a.m.)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Pascal Oltenacu, Frank Koenen and the European Commission

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted, with some rearrangement of items to better facilitate discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The state of work, per different species, in the mandate on meat inspection was presented to the AHAW working group (WG). The draft lists of disease/conditions per sheep and goats, farmed game and solipeds were discussed thoroughly. Interim work in line with contract (CFT/EFSA/AHAW/2010/01) on poultry was presented and commented by the working group. The options for activities of the WG in short and long term were discussed and commented.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 15 November 2011**

Parma, 8 November 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 14 October 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 27 October 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair) Martin Wierup, Mariano Domingo  
EFSA:                                Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)  
Hearing experts:                Silvana Diverio, Javier Dominguez, Declan Murray

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The ongoing work on Stage 1 (sheep and goats, farmed game and solipeds) was thoroughly discussed. The draft final data on listing diseases/ conditions were reviewed; some amendments and proposals were discussed.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 17-18 October 2011**

Parma, 8 November 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 11 and 13 October 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 27 October 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel	Martin Wierup (on 11 and 13 October), Donald Broom (on 11 October),
EFSA:	Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)
Hearing experts:	Hanspeter Meier (on 13 October), Silvana Diverio (on 11 October), Javier Dominguez (on 11 October), Declan Murray (on 11 October), Torsten Mörner (on 11 and 13 October)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion. Apologies were received from Mariano Domingo.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The ongoing work on Stage 1 (sheep and goats, farmed game and solipeds) was thoroughly discussed. The estimations of listed diseases/ conditions were reviewed; some amendments and proposals for potential grouping of items were discussed.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 17-18 October 2011**

Parma, 8 November 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 7 October 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 27 October 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel	Martin Wierup
EFSA:	Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)
Hearing experts:	Hanspeter Meier, Silvana Diverio, Javier Dominguez, Declan Murray

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion. Apologies were received from Mariano Domingo.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

An overview of the meat inspection mandate, ongoing work and role of AHAW were presented to the hearing experts. The timelines, objectives of different work stages and particularly tasks at Stage 1 were discussed thoroughly. Initial information on diseases/conditions specific for sheep and goats, farmed game and solipeds were presented by the hearing experts.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 17-18 October 2011**



Parma, 23 September 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 14 September 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 21 September 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair) Donald Broom, Frank Koenen , Mariano Domingo , Martin Wierup, Moez Sanaa, Mo Salman, Toni Oltenacu  
EFSA:                                Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received the European Commission.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The state of work, per different species, in the mandate on meat inspection was presented to the AHAW WG. Expected deliverables from AHAW contractors and the necessary activities of the WG in short and long term were discussed and commented.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 17-18 October 2011**

Parma, 14 July 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 30 June 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 30 June 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel	Simon More (Chair), Donald Broom, Mariano Domingo, Frank Koenen, Moez Sanaa, Martin Wierup,
EFSA:	Ana Afonso and Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)
Hearing experts:	Catherine Lawler
Observers:	Ann Lindberg

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Mo Salman.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The work on Stage 1 (bovine) was presented and thoroughly discussed. Some controversial/less clear items were reviewed by the WG. Corrections and adaptations of the filtering criteria for bovine were done to avoid duplications and to take into account specific welfare issues. The final list of diseases/conditions was circulated for comments to the working group and contractor (CT/EFSA/AHAW/2010/05).

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 14 September 2011**

AHAW UNIT

Parma, 14 July 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 27 June 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 30 June 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair)  
EFSA:                              Ana Afonso and Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit), Elisa Aiassa (SAS Unit)  
Hearing experts:                Henrik Elvang Jensen

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The ongoing work on Stage 1 (bovine) was thoroughly discussed. It was agreed that the list of diseases/conditions is quite comprehensive. Some corrections and adaptations of the filtering criteria for bovine need to be done and reviewed to avoid duplications and to take into account specific welfare issues. It was agreed that controversial/less clear items will be reviewed by the WG at the next meeting.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 30 June 2011**

Parma, June 8 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Brussels, 26-27 May 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on June 8, 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair), Donald Broom, Frank Koenen (on May 27),  
Mo Salman, Moez Sanaa, Martin Wierup

EFSA:                              Ana Afonso and Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)

European Commission:      Marina Marini and Reviriego Gordejo Francisco (on 27 May)

Observers:                      Angus Cameron (on 26 May p.m. and on 27 May) and Katharina  
Stärk (on 26 May)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Pascal Oltenacu and Mariano Domingo

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The updates in outsourced report (CFT/EFSA/AHAW/2010/01) were presented and discussed with the working group (WG). Further work in poultry, bovine and other species was planned and commented. The WG's draft annex to the overall opinion on meat inspection of swine was discussed and comments addressed. The overall conclusions and recommendations drafted and agreed.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 31 May 2011, 14 June 2011**

Parma, 14 July 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 24 June 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 30 June 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair)  
EFSA:                              Ana Afonso and Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)  
Hearing experts:                Henrik Elvang Jensen

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The Chair of the working group (WG) provided an overview of the meat inspection mandate, ongoing work and role of AHAW. The Stage 1 for bovine was discussed thoroughly. The selection of diseases/ conditions should take into account that detection at the abattoir is based on apparent lesions but further modelling is disease/conditions oriented in order to assess the contribution of meat inspection into the overall surveillance. Selecting some most relevant examples of AHAW interest will be crucial input for further assessment of detection probability, meat inspection sensitivity and contribution.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 27 June 2011**

Parma, 22 June 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 14 June 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 22 June 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair), Donald Broom (teleconference), Frank Koenen, Martin Wierup, Moez Sanaa and Mo Salman

EFSA:                                Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Pascal Oltenacu, Mariano Domingo and the European Commission

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted, with some rearrangement of items to better facilitate discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The Draft AHAW annex was presented, thoroughly discussed and comments addressed within the WG. It was agreed to present the document for endorsement from AHAW Panel. The conclusions and recommendations were agreed. The case definitions in poultry were discussed and comments to be forwarded to the contractor (CT/EFSA/AHAW/2010/05). Potential 'What if' scenarios were discussed and key points defined. The initial comprehensive list and criteria for selection were presented to the WG and further work planned. Further modelling in cattle was discussed.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 14 September 2011**

Parma, 31 May 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 31 May 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 31 May 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair)  
EFSA:                                Ana Afonso and Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The AHAW work on meat inspection of swine was thoroughly discussed. The sections of conclusions and recommendations were commented. Technical points for further updates and improvements were agreed.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were agreed.

**5. Next meeting date : 14 June 2011**

AHAW UNIT

Parma, 25 May 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 23 May 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 25 May 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair)  
EFSA:                                Ana Afonso and Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The reviewed literature on meat inspection of swine was thoroughly discussed. It was agreed to add most of the supportive evidence from the literature in the section of qualitative assessment.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed.

**5. Next meeting date : 26-27 May 2011**



Parma, 29 April 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 18 and 19 April 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 29 April 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel	Simon More (Chair), Donald Broom, Frank Koenen, Mariano Domingo, Martin Wierup, Moez Sanaa (by teleconference), Mo Salman
EFSA:	Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)
Observers:	Angus Cameron, Ann Lindberg (18 Apr and 19 Apr a.m.), Katharina Stärk 18 Apr p.m and 19 Apr)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Pascal Oltenacu and the Commission.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The Chair of the working group (WG) provided an update of ongoing work. Draft of the AHAW annex to EFSA opinion was presented, discussed and most of the comments addressed. The conclusions in the qualitative assessment part were drafted and highlights of key points in the sections agreed. The draft results of outsourced report (CT/EFSA/AHAW/2010/05) were presented and the quantitative assessment discussed thoroughly. Further work in modelling for poultry and bovines was discussed and planned.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 26-27 May 2011**

Parma, 26 April 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes the meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Uppsala, 08 April 2011

**Agreed by the Participants of the WG on 19 April 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel	Simon More (Chair) by teleconference (p.m.), Martin Wierup, Moez Sanaa by teleconference (p.m)
EFSA:	Ana Afonso and Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit) by teleconference (p.m.)
Observers:	Angus Cameron, Ann Lindberg, Ana Mateus, Helene Wahlström, Jenny Frössling (a.m.)

**1. Welcome, apologies and adoption of the agenda**

The participants were welcomed and agenda adopted.

**2. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**3. Discussions**

There were discussed scientific options to extend the principles of scenario-tree modelling from exotic disease and develop new related methodologies for analysis of endemic disease surveillance, specifically for prevalence estimation and case-finding.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**4. Next meeting date : 18-19 April 2011**

Parma, 7 April 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 28 and 29 March 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 7 April 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel	Simon More (Chair), Donald Broom, Frank Koenen (on 28 March), Mariano Domingo (on 28 March), Martin Wierup, Moez Sanaa, Mo Salman, Pascal Oltenacu
EFSA:	Milen Georgiev and Ana Afonso (AHAW Unit)
Hearing experts	Desiree Jansson, Michel Virginie (by teleconference on 28 p.m)
Observers:	Angus Cameron, Ann Lindberg (by teleconference on 28 p.m)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from the Commission.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The Chair of the working group (WG) provided an update of ongoing work. Draft of the AHAW annex to EFSA opinion was presented and commented thoroughly. The assessment on the implications of proposed changes in meat inspection for AHAW was initiated, considering provided draft recommendations by BIOHAZ and CONTAM. The stage of ongoing modelling and potential adaptation of the models for non endemic diseases and welfare conditions were presented to the WG. The ongoing work on Stage 1 (poultry) was thoroughly discussed and critically reviewed. The final list of diseases to be modelled was discussed and agreed with the WG. Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 18-19 April 2011**

AHAW UNIT

Parma, 25 March 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 24 March 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 25 March 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel	Simon More (Chair)
EFSA:	Ana Afonso and Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)
Hearing experts:	Michel Virginie and Desiree Jansson

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The ongoing work on Stage 1 (poultry) was thoroughly discussed. The estimation of listed diseases/ conditions were reviewed, some amendments and proposals for potential grouping of items were discussed.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 28-29 March 2011**

Parma, 22 March 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 16 March 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 11 March 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair) and Mariano Domingo  
EFSA:                                Ana Afonso and Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)  
Hearing experts:                Michel Virginie and Desiree Jansson

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The ongoing work on Stage 1 (poultry) was thoroughly discussed. It was agreed that the list of diseases/conditions is quite comprehensive. Some corrections and adaptations of the filtering criteria for poultry need to be done and reviewed to avoid duplications and to take into account welfare issues specific to laying hens. It was agreed that the disease list will not take into account the event of co infection although this issue might be addressed in the text of the opinion. It was agreed that controversial/less clear items will be reviewed by the WG at the next meeting.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 28-29 March 2011**

Parma, 15 March 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, March 8, 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 11 March 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair) and Mariano Domingo  
EFSA:                              Ana Afonso and Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)  
Hearing experts:                Michel Virginie and Desiree Jansson

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The Chair of the working group (WG) provided an overview of the meat inspection mandate, ongoing work and role of AHAW. The timelines, objectives of different work stages and general methodology were presented. The Stage 1 for poultry was discussed thoroughly. The selection of diseases/ conditions should take into account that detection at the abattoir is based on apparent lesions but further modelling is disease/conditions oriented in order to assess the contribution of meat inspection into the overall surveillance. Selecting some most relevant examples of AHAW interest will be crucial input for further assessment of detection probability, meat inspection sensitivity and contribution. The experts have reviewed the decision tree proposed taking in account poultry specific.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 28-29 March 2011**

Parma, 1 March 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 22 and 23 February 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 1 March 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel	Simon More (Chair), Donald Broom, Frank Koenen, Mariano Domingo, Marcus Doherr, Martin Wierup, Moez Sanaa, Mo Salman, Pascal Oltenacu
EFSA:	Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)
Observers:	Angus Cameron, Ann Lindberg (teleconference from 10.30h to 11.30h on 23 Feb)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from the Commission.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The Chair of the working group (WG) provided an update of ongoing work. The timelines and dependencies between EFSA Units for all animal species and potential implications for the WG of AHAW and contractors were presented and discussed. The structure of the final EFSA opinion was presented and commented. The items in the section of general methodology and species specific sections were discussed thoroughly.

The stage of ongoing data collection and modelling in the outsourced work on the contribution of meat inspection to animal health surveillance were presented to the WG.

The overall filtering process in Stage 1 was critically reviewed and the criteria for defining poultry disease and conditions of interest at meat inspection discussed.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 28-29 March 2011**

---



AHAW UNIT

Parma, 18 February 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 16 February 2011

**Agreed by the participants on 16 February 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair of the WG)  
EFSA:                              Milen Georgiev and Ana Afonso (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The discussion at the tele-conference was focussed on the work updates since last WG meeting. The general methodology and initial work on the identification of diseases and conditions for poultry (Stage 1) were also discussed thoroughly. Timelines and work dependencies in the final stage between EFSA WGs were indicated and it was agreed to present more details at the next WG meeting.

Other administrative and technical items were agreed.

**5. Next meeting date : 22-23 February 2011**

Parma, 27 January 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 25 January 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 27 January 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair), Frank Koenen, Mo Salman,  
European Commission      Francisco Reviriego Gordejo  
EFSA:                              Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Martin Wierup.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The discussion at the tele-conference call focussed on methodology used for disease/condition prioritisation.

An overview of the work progress was presented, including the developed criteria, targeting target biological and epidemiological characteristics, taking into account possibility of different slaughter age in the EU. The undertaken approach was agreed.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were agreed with the WG experts who were present.

**5. Next meeting date : 22-23 February 2011**

Parma, 27 January 2011

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 18,19 and 20 January 2011

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 27 January 2011**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel	Simon More (Chair), Donald Broom (18 Jan p.m and 19 Jan), Frank Koenen, Mariano Domingo (19 Jan), Marcus Doherr (18 Jan p.m. and 19 Jan), Martin Wierup, Moez Sanaa (19 Jan), Mo Salman, Pascal Oltenacu (19 Jan)
EFSA:	Milen Georgiev and Ana Afonso (19 Jan) - AHAW Unit
Observers:	Adeline Huneau (19 Jan a.m), Angus Cameron (18 Jan p.m., 19 and 20 Jan), Ann Lindberg (19 and 20 Jan), Katharina Staerk (19 and 20 Jan), Luppö Ellerbroek (19 Jan), Silvia Alonso (19 Jan a.m)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from the Commission.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

18 January

The work focused on finalisation of the list of disease/conditions for consideration in stage 2 modelling, as well as an overview of the generic stage 3 model (general approach, surveillance components).

19 January

A joint meeting was held with the EFSA AHAW working group and the contractors, leading to detailed discussions about stage 1 (the generic selection methodology, the list of diseases/conditions for pigs), stage 2 (the generic model including calculation of detection

probability, adaptation of the model for pigs) and stage 3 (specifically contribution of meat inspection in the overall surveillance system).

It was agreed that consortium will follow the same structure of reporting for all species, to meet EFSA's needs

20 January

Follow up of the meeting on 19 January. Clarification on the technical and practical items, expected deliverables, steps in the modelling process, roles and responsibilities, further plans and communication. The list with disease/conditions for swine, and way to investigate surveillance components, were agreed between the WG and contractors.

The WG discussed the possibility of presenting the work in the topic even if no changes in the meat inspection would be proposed

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 22-23 February 2011**

---

Parma, 16 December 2010

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of teleconference meeting of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 15 December 2010

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 15 December 2010**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair), Frank Koenen, Mo Salman,  
European Commission      Marina Marini and Francisco Reviriego Gordejo  
EFSA:                                Milen Georgiev (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Mariano Domingo.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The discussion at the tele-conference call focussed on methodology to prioritise diseases or conditions of animal health and welfare interest.

An overview of the work progress was presented, including the preliminary criteria for prioritisation. A general approach to prioritisation was agreed, focusing on criteria that target biological and epidemiological characteristics. It was agreed to avoid criteria relating to different systems of management at the EU or national level. It was agreed that non-legislated diseases and conditions also be considered if of potential value for farmers.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were agreed with the WG experts who were present.

**5. Next meeting date : 18-20 January 2011**

Parma, 3 December 2010

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of the working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 3 December 2010

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 3 December 2010**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel                      Simon More (Chair), Donald Broom, Frank Koenen, Mariano Domingo, Martin Wierup, Mo Salman,  
EFSA:                              Milen Georgiev and Jordi Tarres-Call (AHAW Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from the Commission, Marcus Doherr, Moez Sanaa and Pascal Oltenacu,

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

The meeting was briefed on the work of the overarching meat inspection working group, and the interactions with BIOHAZ, CONTAM and Zoonosis. Then, discussion focused on a broad overview of the work being conducted in stages 1, 2 and 3. Finally, for much of the meeting, detailed work was undertaken to prioritise diseases and other animal welfare conditions in terms of detection likelihood during ante- and post-mortem inspection, whether the disease was exotic, and for endemic diseases/conditions, the potential value of slaughterhouse data (clinical signs at ante-mortem inspection, lesions at post-mortem inspection) in (i) national/regional animal disease control and (ii) herd health and welfare.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 18-20 January 2010**

Parma, 29 October 2010

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of the meeting of the Working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 29 October 2010

**Agreed by the WG on 29 October 2010**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel	Simon More (Chair), Donald Broom, Frank Koenen, Marcus Doherr, Mariano Domingo, Martin Wierup, Mo Salman, Moez Sanaa, Pascal Oltenacu,
WG expert	Angus Cameron
EFSA:	Milen Georgiev and Jordi Tarres-Call (AHAW Unit), Marc Van den Broeck (CONTAM Unit)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from the Commission.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

In this WG meeting the approach to follow was discussed. The criteria to identify animal diseases of interest and other welfare concerns were thoroughly discussed within the WG. A scheme (event decision tree) was outlined. A draft proposal for modelling the meat inspection system was presented and discussed with the WG.

Other administrative and technical items, the work timeframe and deadlines were presented and agreed with the group.

**5. Next meeting date : 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2010**

Parma, 14 September 2010

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Minutes of the kick off meeting of the Working group on AHAW meat inspection**

Parma, 10 September 2010

**Agreed by the Chair of the WG on 14 September 2010**

**Participants**

AHAW Panel	Simon More (Chair), Donald Broom, Marcus Doherr, Mo Salman, Moez Sanaa, Pascal Oltenacu
WG expert	Angus Cameron
EFSA:	Milen Georgiev, Pierre-Alexandre Beloeil
European Commission	Francisco Reviriego-Gordejo, Marina Marini (through a teleconference call from 11 to 12.30h)

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Martin Wierup.

**2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted with rearrangements in the time for discussion.

**3. Declarations of interest**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

**4. Discussions**

In this mandate, the AHAW working group will focus on implications for animal health and welfare of recommended changes to the current meat inspection system. The current meat inspection system plays an important role in monitoring and surveillance for a range of diseases/conditions.

It was discussed and decided to define for each species (pigs initially) each of the animal diseases/conditions where the current meat inspection system (as routinely applied, in compliance with current EU legislation) plays an important role in monitoring and surveillance.



The options for modelling impact of potential changes to the current meat inspection system and on the overall monitoring and surveillance system were thoroughly discussed by the WG experts.

The work timeframe and deadlines were agreed.

**5. Next meeting date** : 29 October 2010