



Biological Hazards & Animal Health and Welfare

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

MINUTES OF THE 134th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AFRICAN SWINE FEVER

3 March 2022

(Agreed on 4 March 2022)¹

Participants

- Working Group members
 BOKLUND Anette
 GORTÁZAR SCHMIDT Christian
 STAHL Karl (CHAIR)
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:FORCELLA Simona
- Hearing experts:
 THULKE Hans-Hermann
 - EFSA:

AMINALRAGIA Roxani
CHINCHIO Eleonora
CORTIÑAS ABRAHANTES José
DHOLLANDER Sofie
PAPANIKOLAOU Alexandra

Apologies:No apologies

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The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management^{3,} EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 133rd Working Group meeting held on 15 February 2022 by WEB-conference.

The minutes of the 133rd Working Group meeting held on 15 February 2022 were agreed on 25 February 2022.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

The ASF working group members discussed the outstanding comments in the draft Scientific Opinion and agreed on the proposed solutions.

6. Any other business

6.1. Not applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

• To be defined

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

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MINUTES OF THE 133th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AFRICAN SWINE FEVER

15 February 2021

(Agreed on 25 February 2022)¹

Participants

- Working Group members
 BOKLUND Anette
 GORTÁZAR SCHMIDT Christian
 STAHL Karl (CHAIR)
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:FORCELLA Simona
- Hearing expertsTHULKE Hans-Hermann
 - EFSA:

AMINALRAGIA Roxani
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Apologies

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The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 132nd Working Group meeting held on 12-13 January 2022 by WEB-conference.

The minutes of the 132nd Working Group meeting held on 12-13 January 2022 were agreed 21 January 2022.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

The ASF working group members discussed the outstanding comments in the draft Scientific Opinion and agreed on the proposed solutions. The EFSA staff shall finalise the suggested changes and check for consistency of terminology in the body text, conclusions, summary and abstract. Once the document is checked and cleaned, the draft Scientific Opinion will be circulated to the extended working group for a final check. It will be decided by 25th of February if an additional meeting will be needed to deal with the final comments from the working group.

6. Any other business

6.1. Not applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

• By web conference: core working group: 3 March 2022, 14:30-18:00: to be decided if needed

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Biological Hazards & Animal Health and Welfare Unit

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

MINUTES OF THE 132nd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AFRICAN SWINE FEVER

(AHAW ASF Workshop)

12-13 January 2021

(Agreed on 21 January 2022)¹

Participants

Working Group members

BOKLUND Anette

GOGIN Andrey

GORTÁZAR SCHMIDT Christian

HELYES Georgina

KORYTAROVA Daniela

MASIULIS Marius

OLSEVSKIS Edvins

OSTOJIC Sasa

STAHL Karl (CHAIR)

STAUBACH Christoph

VILTROP Arvo

Petr Satran

WOZNIAKOWSKI Grzegorz

NEGHIRLA Ioana

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

FORCELLA Simona

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Hearing experts
 Baños Joaquín Vicente
 THULKE Hans-Hermann

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AMINALRAGIA Roxani
BROGLIA Alessandro
CHINCHIO Eleonora
CORTIÑAS ABRAHANTES José
DHOLLANDER Sofie
MUR GIL Lina
PAPANIKOLAOU Alexandra

Apologies
 GUBERTI Vittorio
 Aleksandra Miteva

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 of Working Groups members

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 131st Working Group meeting held on 20 December 2021 by WEB-conference.

The minutes of the 131st Working Group meeting held on 20 December were agreed 12 January 2021.

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5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

On the first day of the workshop, all working group members of the ASF-affected countries gave an update on the evolution and surveillance activities of the ASF epidemic in their countries in the reporting period. The EFSA staff gave an overview on the analyses carried out for the descriptive epidemiology of African swine fever epidemic in the reporting period in the EU. The first day ended with a discussion focused on the exchange between the affected countries and EFSA on the topics covered during the day.

On the second day of the workshop, the topics for discussion focused on the risk factor analysis. In addition, the methodology and results for the analysis of the efficacy of the measures in the white zones were discussed. A breakout session to discuss strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats for each TOR was held, to define the needs and possible improvements for future Epi reports. A wrapping up session followed about critical issues discussed during the workshop, followed by the planning of pending issues and deadlines.

6. Any other business

6.1. Not applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

 By web conference: core working group 15/02/2021, 14:00-18:00





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MINUTES OF THE 131th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AFRICAN SWINE FEVER (Epi 6)

20th of December 2021

(Agreed on the 20th of December 2021)1

Participants

- 1. Working Group Members:²
 - STAHL Karl chair
 - GORTAZAR SCHMIDT Christian
 - THULKE Hans-Hermann
 - BOCKLUND Anette
- 2. European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 - FORCELLA Simona

3. EFSA:

- AMINALRAGIA Roxani
- CHINCHIO Eleonora
- DHOLLANDER Sofie
- MUR Lina

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

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3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 130th Working Group meeting held on 16th of November 2021 by WEB-conference.

The minutes of the 130th Working Group meeting held on the 16th of November 2021 were agreed on the 25th of November 2021.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. <u>EFSA-Q-2</u>020-00427 ⁵

The working group discussed the summary tables updating on the status of the ASF epidemic in the affected countries and the outcomes of the analysis of the time profiles, seasonality and secondary cases network of ASF in the descriptive epidemiology section of the report (ToR1). The outcomes of the data extraction in studies on ASF risk factors and the outcomes of the risk factor analysis based on the available data from the MS were discussed (TOR 2). The outcomes of the model used to assess the effectiveness of the white zones to control potential spread of ASFV from neighbouring affected areas with limited control measures were discussed (ToR3). Next deadline for the update of the report is 7 January.

6. Any Other Business

6.1. Not Applicable

7. Any Other Business

7.1. Not Applicable

8. Next meeting(s)

- By web conference:
 - o 12-13 Jan 2022, workshop
 - o February 15, 2022, only with Panel members of the WG

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MINUTES OF THE 130th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AFRICAN SWINE FEVER (Epi 6)

16th of November 2021

(Agreed on the 25th of November 2021)1

Participants

- 1. Working Group Members:²
 - STAHL Karl chair
 - GORTAZAR SCHMIDT Christian
 - HELYES Georgina
 - KORYTAROVA Daniela
 - MASIULIS Marius
 - NEGHIRLA Ioana
 - OĻŠEVSKIS Edvīns
 - STAUBACH Christoph
 - THULKE Hans-Hermann
 - VILTROP Arvo
 - WOŹNIAKOWSKI Grzegorz
- 2. European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 - FORCELLA Simona (DG SANTE)

3. EFSA:

AMINALRAGIA Roxani

- CHINCHIO Eleonora
- CORTIÑAS ABRAHANTES José

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- DHOLLANDER Sofie
- MUR GIL Lina

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 129th Working Group meeting held on 25th of October 2021 by WEB-conference.

The minutes of the 129th Working Group meeting held on the 25th of October 2021 were agreed on the 4th of November 2021.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. EFSA-Q-2020-00427 ⁵

The working group discussed the summary tables updating on the status of the ASF epidemic in the affected countries and the outcomes of the first analysis of the time profiles and seasonality of ASF in the descriptive epidemiology section of the report (ToR1). The outcomes of the eligibility screening of titles and abstracts in studies on ASF risk factors and the preliminary outcomes of the risk factor analysis based on the available data from the MS were discussed (TOR 2). The first outcomes of the model used to assess the effectiveness of the white zones to control potential spread of ASFV from neighbouring affected areas with limited control measures were discussed (ToR3). Next deadline for the update of the report is 10 December.

6. Any Other Business

6.1. Not Applicable

Next meeting(s)

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- By web conference:
 - $_{\odot}$ $\,$ 20 December 2021, only with Panel members of the WG $\,$





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MINUTES OF THE 129th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AFRICAN SWINE FEVER (Epi 6)

25th of October 2021

(Agreed on the 4th of November 2021)1

Participants

- 1. Working Group Members:²
 - STAHL Karl chair
 - GORTÁZAR SCHMIDT Christian
 - THULKE Hans-Hermann
- 2. European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 - FORCELLA Simona (DG SANTE)

3. EFSA:

- DHOLLANDER Sofie
- CHINCHIO Eleonora
- CORTIÑAS ABRAHANTES José
- MUR Lina
- ZANCANARO Gabriele
- AMINALRAGIA Roxani

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

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2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 128th Working Group meeting held on 14th of September 2021 by WEB-conference.

The minutes of the 128^{th} Working Group meeting held on the 14th of September 2021 were agreed on the 28th of September 2021.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. EFSA-Q-2020-00427 ⁵

The working group discussed the submission status of MS data on pig populations and laboratory data through EFSA's Data Collection Framework (DCF). The content of specific parts of the report was discussed, in particular: the status of the summary table that MS have to complete in the descriptive epidemiology section of the report (ToR1), the literature review protocol for identifying ASF risk factors and the methods that will be applied for the risk factor analysis based on the available data (TOR 2), and the model to be used for the procurement on white zones to control potential spread of ASFV from neighbouring affected areas with limited control measures (ToR3). Next deadline for the update of the report is 10 November.

6. Any Other Business

6.1. Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

- By web conference:
 - o 16 November 2021, with all the WG

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MINUTES OF THE 128th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AFRICAN SWINE FEVER (Epi 6)

14th September 2021

(Agreed on the 28th of September 2021)1

Participants

- 1. Working Group Members:²
 - STAHL Karl chair
 - GORTÁZAR SCHMIDT Christian
 - HELYES Georgina
 - KORYTAROVA Daniela
 - NEGHIRLA Ioana
 - OLSEVSKIS Edvīns
 - STAUBACH Christoph
 - THULKE Hans-Hermann
 - VILTROP Arvo
 - WOZNIAKOWSKI Grzegorz
- 2. European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
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- 3. EFSA:
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- LOMBARDO Ludovico
- PAPANIKOLAOU Alexandra
- ZANCANARO Gabriele
- AMINALRAGIA Roxani

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted with minor changes. A discussion of 15 minutes on the future epi reports (EPI 7-Epi 13) has been included in the last part of the meeting.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 127th Working Group meeting held on 15th of June 2021 by WEB-conference.

The minutes of the 127th Working Group meeting held on the 15th of June 2021 were agreed on the 28th of June 2021.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. EFSA-Q-2020-00427 ⁵

The working group discussed the submission status of MS data on pig populations, laboratory data through EFSA's Data Collection Framework (DCF), and wild boar surveillance through ENETWILD. The content of specific parts of the report was discussed, in particular: the summary table per MS in the descriptive epidemiology part (ToR1), the feasibility of the risk factor analyses with the available data (TOR 2), and the status and role of the WG in the procurement on white zones to control potential spread of ASFV from neighbouring affected areas with limited control measures (ToR3).

EFSA introduced the WG to the possible structure of future epi reports (epi7-epi13) as an interactive reporting tool, highlighting the main steps needed to develop it.

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6. Any Other Business

6.1. Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

- By web conference:
 - $_{\circ}$ 19 October, with a small group of the WG
 - $_{\circ}$ 16 November 2021, with all the WG





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MINUTES OF THE 127th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AFRICAN SWINE FEVER (Epi 6)

15th June 2021

(Agreed on the 28th of June 2021)1

Participants

- 1. Working Group Members:²
 - STAHL Karl chair
 - THULKE Hans-Hermann
 - GORTÁZAR SCHMIDT Christian
- 2. European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 - Simona FORCELLA (DG SANTE)

3. EFSA:

- DHOLLANDER Sofie, CHINCHIO Eleonora
- CORTIÑAS ABRAHANTES José
- PAPANIKOLAOU Alexandra
- ZANCANARO Gabriele

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

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5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. EFSA-Q-2020-00427 ⁵

The working group discussed the planning, content and structure of the ASF EPI-6 report. The expectations of the European Commission (EC) for EPI 6 report and beyond were discussed, data needed/available and possible analysis for descriptive epidemiology (ToR1), risk factor analysis (TOR 2), and the possible scope of TOR 3 (white zones) to control potential spread of ASFV from neighbouring affected areas with limited control measures (ToR3).

The automatization process will be better defined and implemented from EPI-7 onwards. The working group members agreed on further tasks and deadlines.

6. Any Other Business

6.1. Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

• by web conference: 14 September 2021

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