

Minutes of 5th meeting of the Working Group on the collection, management and analysis of data on the monitoring and testing of ruminants for the presence of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies (TSEs) in the EU (Q-2016-00477)¹

Parma, 24 November 2016

(Agreed on 7 December 2016)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Julia Thomas (UK)

Giuseppe Ru (IT)

Angel Ortiz Pelaez (Chair), Yves Van der Stede (Secretariat), Valentina Rizzi, Pietro Stella (BIOCONTAM Unit)

Mario MONGUIDI, Luca PASINATO (DATA Unit).

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

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 Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting.

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No Conflicts of Interest 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

The WG discussed the contributions made, reviewed the whole draft technical report (V9) and discussed the next steps. Additional details for some data elements were added and discussed (age classes, CWD target groups, analytical methods (rapid tests), and reporting genotyping results). Conclusions and recommendations were discussed and need further elaboration. A new final version will be presented for the working group beginning of December 2016 for final comments. Publication is foreseen end of December 2016.

5. Next meeting

This was the last WG meeting.

Minutes of 4rd meeting of the Working Group on the collection, management and analysis of data on the monitoring and testing of ruminants for the presence of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies (TSEs) in the EU (Q-2015-00653 & Q-2016-00477)¹

Parma, 28 September 2016

(Agreed on 10 October 2016)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Julia Thomas (UK)

Giuseppe Ru (IT)

Yves Van der Stede (Secretariat), Valentina Rizzi (BIOCONTAM Unit)

Mario MONGUIDI (Chair, DATA Unit), Luca PASINATO (DATA Unit)

Apologies: Angel Ortiz Pelaez, Pietro Stella (BIOCONTAM UNIT, EFSA)

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Angel Ortiz Pelaez and Pietro Stella (BIOCONTAM UNIT)

2. Adoption of agenda

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4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

TOR1—The contributions of the WG members for TOR1 were discussed and it was agreed to include the results of the questionnaire (provided to the MS) in order to motivate better the need for high qualitative data and the choice for SSD2.

TOR 2 — Examples in SSD2 were provided using the data elements foreseen in the data dictionaries. The testing schemes for BSE (bovine animals) as well as TSE (small ruminants) and CWD (cervids) were discussed in detail, in particular the possible answers to report in SSD2.

TOR3 — The current list of tables and figures as well as the list of output to publish for the stakeholders were discussed. The output should be checked against the data requirements described in TOR2.

5. Next meeting

The next WG meeting is planned on 24th of November 2016 (via web-conference).

Minutes of 3rd meeting of the Working Group on the collection, management and analysis of data on the monitoring and testing of ruminants for the presence of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies (TSEs) in the EU (Q-2015-00653 & Q-2016-00477)¹

Parma, 16 August 2016

(Agreed on 22 August 2016)

Participants

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Julia Thomas (UK)

Giuseppe Ru (IT)

Angel Ortiz Pelaez (Chair), Yves Van der Stede (Secretariat) (BIOCONTAM Unit)

Mario MONGUIDI (DATA Unit)

Apologies: Luca PASINATO (DATA Unit)

- **EFSA:**

Pietro Stella

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Luca PASINATO (Data Unit)

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

During the third WG meeting the focus was placed on TOR 1 and TOR2. During this meeting the data dictionaries to be used for TSEs data collection in EU were explained discussed in detail and how they fit into the existing SSD2 framework of EFSA. (Standard Sample Description 2). A short update for TOR3 was presented.

TOR1: Overview of contributions of working group and discussion. Headings of Section 3.1 of technical report. The headings of sections 3.1. of the technical report were discussed and the tasks were distributed to the members of the working group. **TOR2:** Presentation of the background for TSE data model, the logical data model of the input table for data submission to EFSA and the XML schema for submitting data to EFSA as well as the DWH tables. The proposed list of data elements for SSD2 and proposals for improvements of the TSE reporting were discussed in detail. **TOR3:** The current production of tables and figures for EUSR TSEs in EU and process of DWH to reporting at EFSA.

5. Next meeting

The next WG meeting is planned as on 28th of September 2016.

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Minutes of 2nd meeting of the Working Group on the collection, management and analysis of data on the monitoring and testing of ruminants for the presence of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies (TSEs) in the EU (Q-2015-00653)¹

Parma, 23rd June 2016

(Agreed on 4th of July 2016)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Julia Thomas

Giuseppe Ru

- **EFSA:**

BIOCONTAM Unit: Angel Ortiz Pelaez (Chair), Pietro Stella, Frank Boelaert, Yves Van der Stede (Secretariat)

Data Unit: Luca PASINATO, Mario MONGUIDI, Anca Stoicescu

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2. Adoption of agenda

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4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

The WG discussed the contributions to TOR2 and TOR3. The approach to reply to TOR1 was discussed. Historical data in the current data base were analysed and discussed. Comments received from the MS were discussed with relation to the questionnaire (TOR1) on data collection on the monitoring and testing of ruminants for the presence of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies (TSEs) in the EU. The existing data models (SSD and SSD2) and data submission tools (mapping tools) within EFSA were explained and discussed (TOR2) in detail. The WG concluded to further obtain all information on the data models in order to propose a final data model and dictionaries for TSE/BSE data collection. This discussion needs further attention and an additional working group meeting is planned.

5. Next meeting

The next WG meeting is planned as on 16th of August 2016.

Minutes of 1st meeting of the Working Group on the collection, management and analysis of data on the monitoring and testing of ruminants for the presence of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies (TSEs) in the EU (Q-2015-00653)

Parma, 19-20 May 2016

(Agreed on 30 May 2016)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Julia Thomas

Giuseppe Ru

- **European Commission:**

Lucie Carrouée (E.COM via audio conference)

- **EFSA:**

BIOCONTAM Unit: Angel Ortiz Pelaez (Chair), Pietro Stella, Yves Van der Stede (Secretariat)

Data Unit: Luca PASINATO, Mario MONGUIDI

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4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

For the technical Report to produce on the collection, management and analysis of data on the monitoring and testing of ruminants for the presence of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies (TSEs) in the EU (Q-2015-00653) the following **TORs** were discussed by the WG:

- TOR1: Description of the existing data collection on BSE/TSE surveillance by E. COM and historical data.
- TOR2: Define requirements for the new data collection on BSE/TSE surveillance to be supported by EFSA
 - Make suggestions and proposals for changing/improving the process underlying the data collection, as carried out at MS level;
 - Define the EFSA data model and the controlled terminologies (catalogues) for TSE surveillance and produce data dictionaries (a guidance) for reporting TSE surveillance data.
 - Define the rules for data quality assurance.
- TOR3: Provide a list of outputs (tables, graphs, maps and summaries) needed for the production of the EUSR TSE reports

The WG discussed and agreed on the approaches to addressing the three terms of reference. The working group had foreseen 3 physical meetings for addressing the 3 TORs.

5. Next meeting

The next WG meeting is planned as on 23rd of June 2016.