

FVE AW activities

OIE 2nd stakeholder conference





Federation of Veterinarians of Europe

46 National Veterinary Professional Organisations 38 European countries

Representing 220.000 European vets

4 FVE Sections

- ➤ UEVP (Practitioners)
- ➤ UEVH (Hygienists)
- ➤ EASVO (Veterinary State Officers)
- EVERI (Education, Research, Industry)

"One Profession - One Vision - One Voice"

Animal Welfare WG

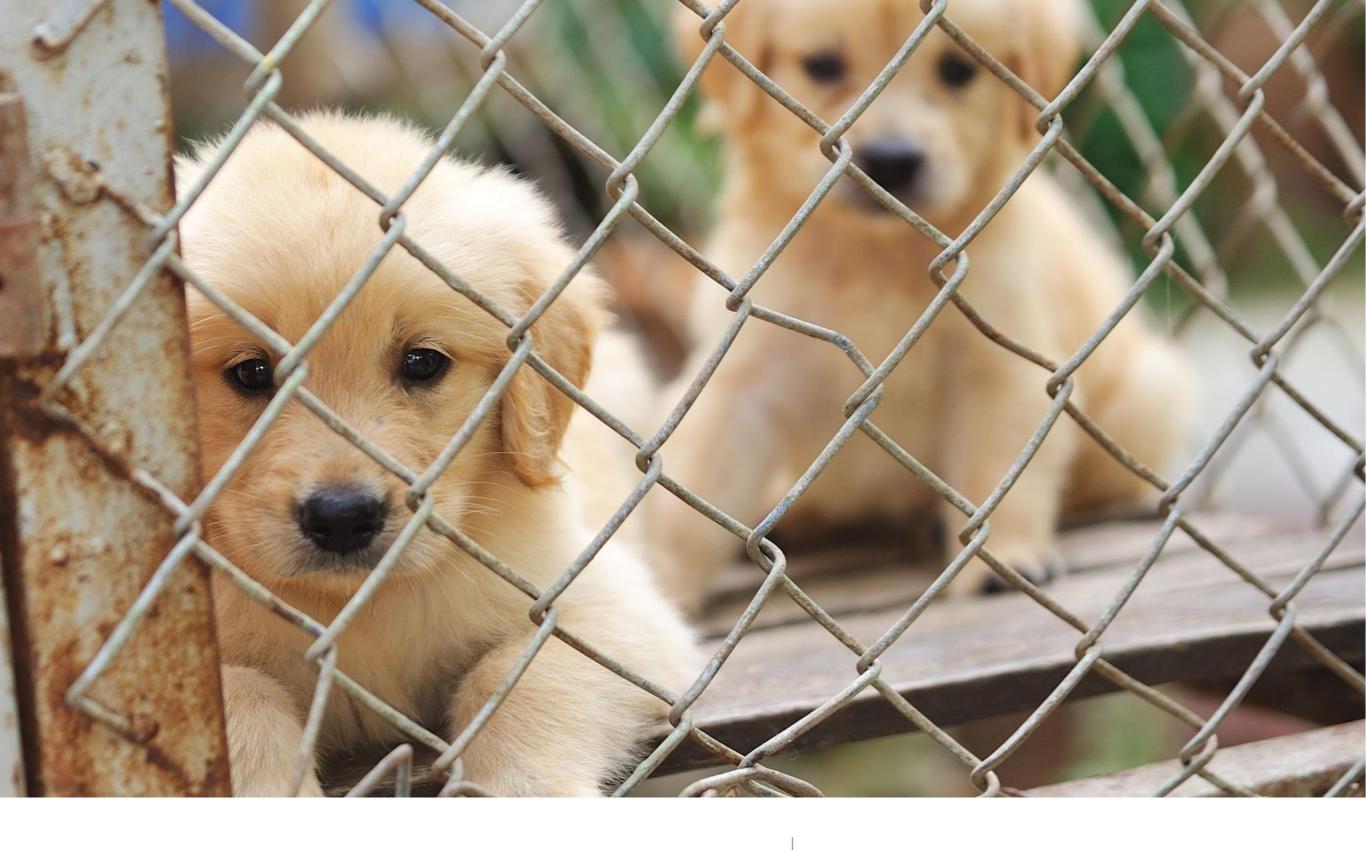
- Aim: To promote active involvement in animal welfare issues of the veterinary profession
- Overall objective is to assist the FVE in its AW activities, to improve AW in Europe and to promote veterinary leadership in this area
- AW action plan





Finalized

- FVE/UEVP/FECAVA Stray Dog Policy Adopted
- Input regarding AW Officer in slaughterhouses
- Adopted position on Antibiotic use and Animal Welfare
- Adopted position on Animals in Traveling Circuses
- Survey and input regarding Pig Castration -) full report published after summer
- AW workshops for Vet's i.c.w. the EC



Puppy trade

Stray dog PM

Companion animal issues we work together on:

- I&R: aim for obligatory identification and registration
- responsible dog/cat ownership (Carodog/Carocat)
- Rabies control
- Breeding issues
- Stray cat issues and others



UEVP



In 2015, FECAVA, FVE and UEVP adopted

"EVERY DOG DESERVES A CARING
OWNER': THE VETERINARY VISION ON
STRAY DOG MANAGEMENT
The European veterinary vision







Date adoption: 22nd of May 2015

ROMOTING VETERINARY LEADERSHIP IN STRAY DOG CONTROL IN EUROPE

'EVERY DOG DESERVES A CARING OWNER': THE VETERINARY VISION ON STRAY DOG

FECAVA, the Federation of European Companion Animal Veterinary Associations,

UEVP, the Union of European Veterinary Practitioners, and

FVE, the Federation of Veterinarians of Europe

CONSIDERING THAT:

- In several European regions, in urban as well as rural areas, large numbers of dogs stray freely. Although generally called "stray dogs", distinct categories of dogs can be identified, such as dogs with an owner, dogs without an owner, dogs abandoned by their owner, dogs that were never owned, etc.
- These stray dogs can pose serious risks for animal health and animal welfare as well as for public health and welfare.
- A wide range of pathogens, influenced by region and habitat, can be hosted, carried around
 and transmitted to other animals and to people. Diseases that can be spread in this way vary
 from relatively mild ones that might go unnoticed to severe chronic disorders (e.g.



Now working towards paper on responsible puppy trade 'RESPONSIBLE PUPPY TRADE PAPER' The European veterinary vision



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Recommendation



Two key areas are identified:

I. Education and raising awareness of the public



II. Harmonised legislation, proper enforcement and control







Proper enforcement



Proper enforcement measures are essential and an equal level of compliance must be established in all Member States. The government should establish a hotline for vets and owners to report any irregularities





False or miscertification*by a veterinary surgeon is unexcusable and cannot be tolerated. It should lead to severe disciplinary actions.



FEDERATION OF VETERINARIANS OF EUROPE

FVE/doc/14/061 Adopted on 22 November 2014

FVE 10 PRINCIPLES OF VETERINARY CERTIFICATION



Working towards responsible puppy trade in Europe Position paper

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Considering that
- 3 Recommendation

4 Call upon









The effectiveness of such an approach largely depends on **good collaboration and communication** between all those involved.

Especially with OIE



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OIE First stray dog self-assesment report BALKAN REGION

FVE would be pleased to be involved. Allmost all national veterinary associations of the Balkan countries are members. Private practitioners can help greatly, and together we can coordinate their input. Especially regarding pt 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 11.



RAISING OWNER AWARENESS





Questions and Answers in relation to cats

CATS

BEFORE GETTING A CAT

Are you thinking of getting a cat?

Think carefully before getting a cat. A cat is a wonderful companion but can easily live 15 years or more, so this companion will be with you for a long time. Consider carefully whether you will be able

http://www.fve.org/uploads/publications/docs/0 58_cats_faq_final.pdf



Transport

Guides to good and best practice



ANIMAL TRANSPORT GUIDES



Objectives



The Transport Guides project is an EU project which aims to develop and communicate Good and Best practices for transport of livestock

These practices will be presented in Guides which aim to promote animal welfare

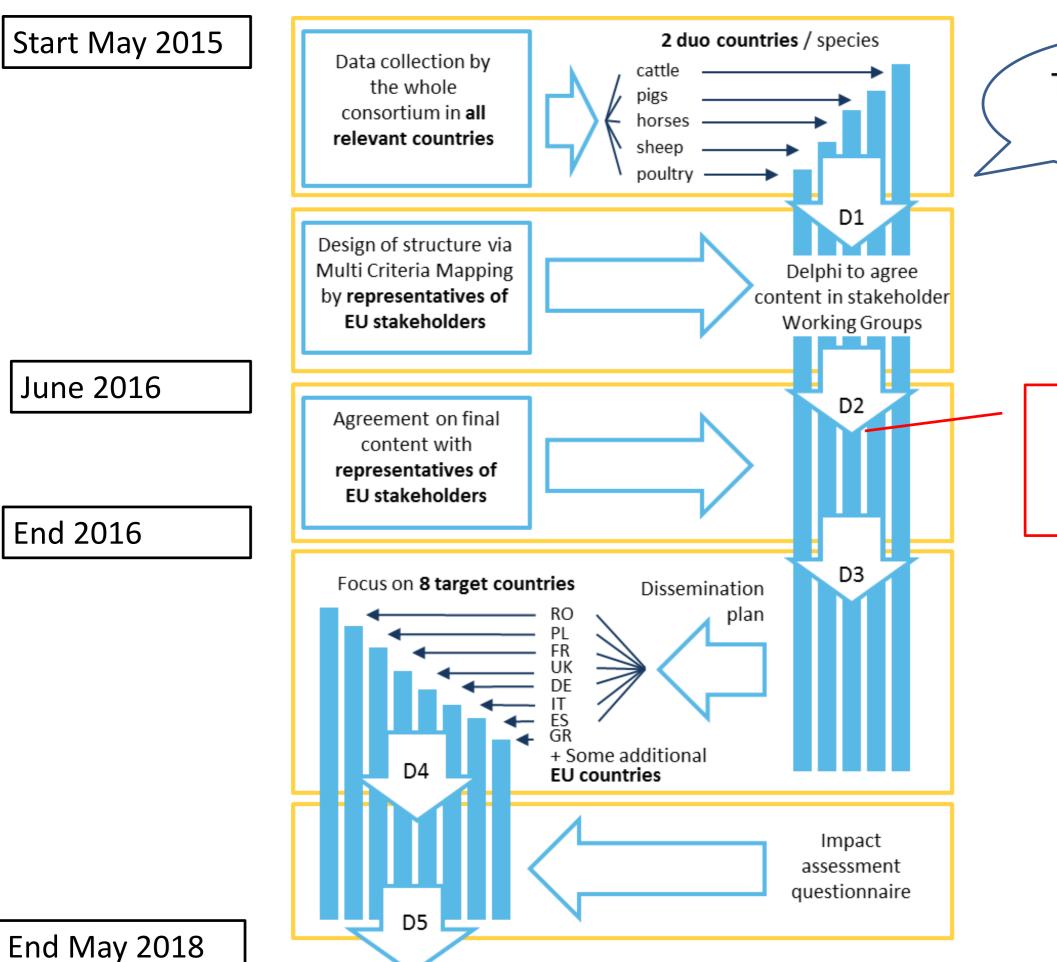












Thank you for your input

We are here!



Main dissemination plans



- Documents produced: Guides + Factsheets + ...
- May 2017- Oct 2017: Organisation 8 roadshows in France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Romania, Poland, Spain and UK
- Website: <u>www.animaltransportguides.eu</u>
- Social media: Facebook and Twitter





Slaughter of livestock

Ice-berg indicators to measure welfare



Brussels, 06 June 2015 FVE/pp/2015/_005_FINAL

FVE guidance document on Food Chain Information





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Pregnancy



AH/AW issue.

May happen where males and females are fattened together, slaughter of sheep in advanced pregnancy is a major welfare issue.

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contamination



PH/AW issue.

Approx 4% of sheep excrete E Coli 0157-H7 without any clinical signs, therefore at AM sheep are scored for cleanliness and rejected for slaughter if too dirty. Fleece cleanliness a major welfare issue

Faecal contamination conveys most of the PH significant hazards identified by EFSA opinions.

AH/AW issue and indirectly PH (use of antimicrobials on farm)

When joints are inflamed or infected, this can lead to partial or total condemnation of the lamb or ewe. Feedback would allow the farmer and vet review the causal factors, including hygiene in the lambing shed, where joint infections often begin. The farmer often reports ill-thrift in these lambs. Prevention of Arthritis will reduce antimicrobial usage on farm

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issue. Also

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Aim: pro-actively measure welfare

Set up of few indicators to predict welfare on farm.

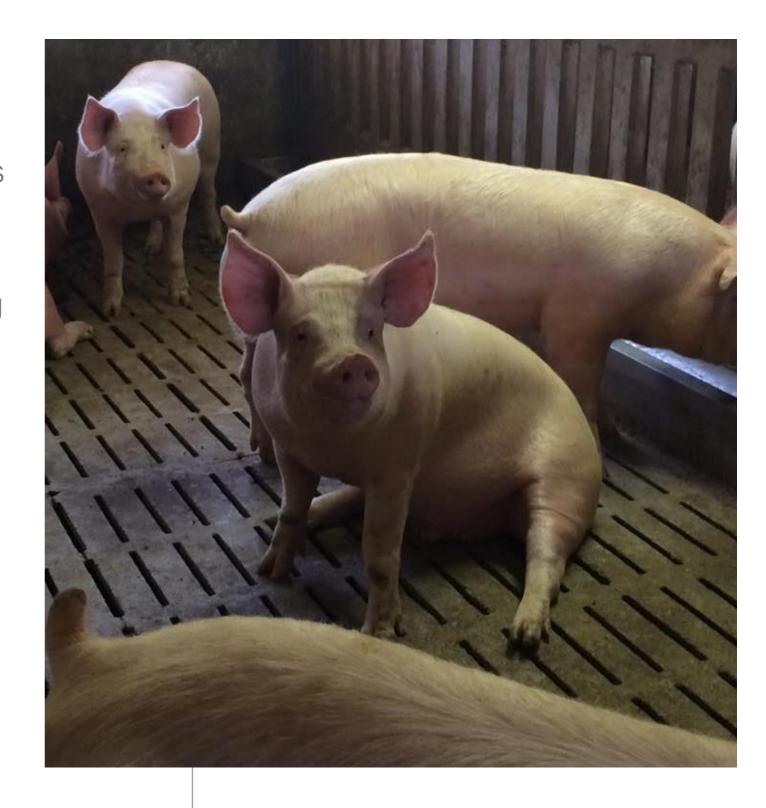
Per species

WORK ONGOING



PIGS EXAMPLE

- 2. Slaughter data records (cumulated data over several months per herd as a "rolling average"
- % of dirty and lame animals during unloading or in the lairage
- % of carcasses with severe pneumonias (>30% of the lung tissue)
- % of carcasses with severe abscesses (multiple abscesses or big abscesses)
- % of carcasses with skin lesions
- % of carcasses with moderate to severe tail biting.





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