



DG SANTE Dir F Animal Welfare Priority Projects 2016-18



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Health and Food Audits and Analysis Programme 2017

- Two main animal welfare projects
 - 1. Animal welfare during export to non-EU countries**
 - 2. Reducing the systematic tail docking of piglets**
- **Overview Report & BTSF on animal welfare on Dairy Farms**



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Animal welfare during export to non-EU countries

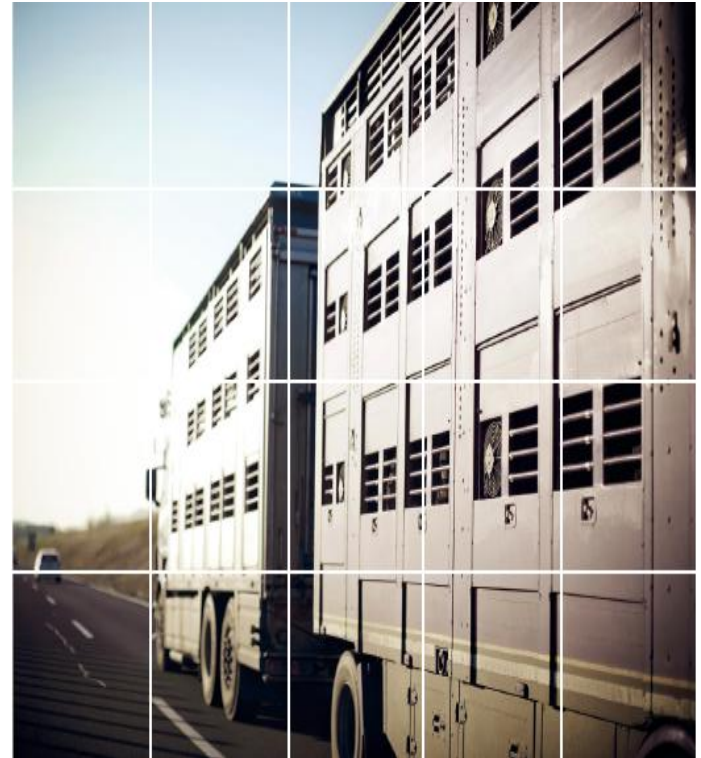
Objective

To reduce animal suffering during long distance transport to non EU countries

decreasing the time that animals spend awaiting export at external EU borders

decreasing the number of livestock consignments rejected by non-EU countries

increasing compliance with Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 regarding journey times and transport conditions (water, feed, resting times, temp)





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Animal welfare during export to non-EU countries

Project Summary

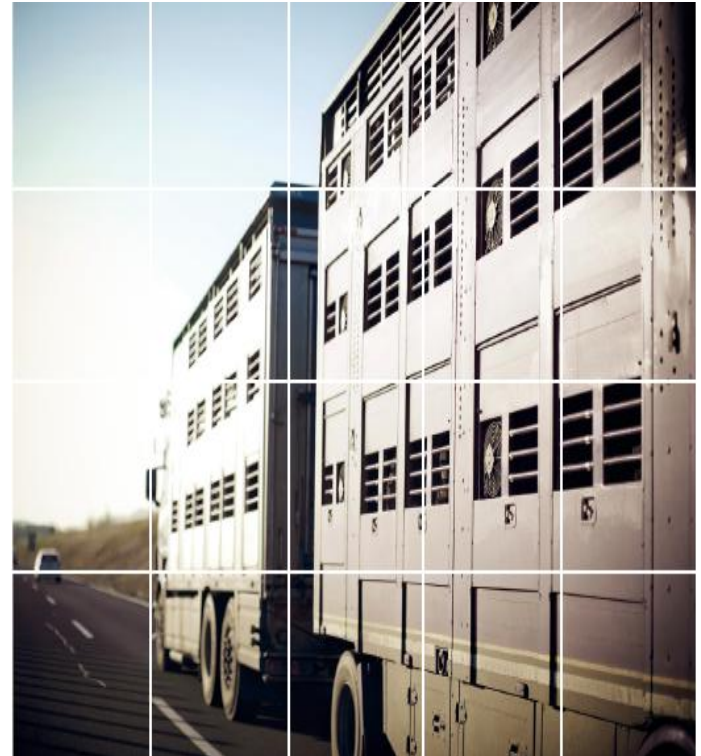
Improving:

**official controls at departure
points, communication within
and between MS CA and with
non-EU authorities (mainly TR)**

**risk-based official checks on
live animals for export**

**Using the network of contact points
for animal transport**

**Drafting a network Document on
controls at departure.**



Transport Audits 2017/18

- *7 audits 2017*
- *CZ, FR, DE, HU, NL, PL, fact finding to BG, TR*

Sharing Information

- *Good Practice on CIRCABC*
- *Overview Report 2018*
- *BTSF Dir F 2018*



Reducing the systematic tail docking of piglets

Objective

To reduce animal suffering during the rearing of piglets by improving the application of Council Directive 2008/120/EC over a three year period.

The project focusses specifically on the rules pertaining to the avoidance of routine tail docking of piglets and the provision of manipulable material.



Reducing the systematic tail docking of piglets

Project Summary

Improving management practices on pig farms which impact on animal welfare,

Providing support to national authorities to assess the current situation in pig farms

Improving communication within and between stakeholders, including farmers and private veterinarians

Meetings, both political and technical, targeted audits and a specialised group to support Member States in implementing the relevant legislation.





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Pig audits 2016/7/8

- *3 study missions 2016*
- *4? audits 2017 NL,ES,DE,DK*
- *4? Missions 2018*

Sharing Information

- *Overview Report /Webinar 2016*
- *Good Practice on CIRCABC*
- *Communication Activities*





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Additional Information on Reducing Tail Docking of Pigs



Reducing Tail Docking of Pigs Open Access CIRCABC site:

<https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/ebdc9369-a210-4b17-aabf-e82e71a0c7ae>

Reducing Tail Docking of Pigs DG SANTE Meeting 4-6 Oct 2016 Webinar:

http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/health_food-safety/information_sources/events/20161004_tail-docking_en.htm

EU Farewell Dock (<http://farewelldock.eu/>)



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Information on Animal Welfare Reference Centres

"Within the administrative phase of deciding how the tender for Animal Welfare Reference Centres will be developed and managed, therefore no comment at present".