

AGENDA

Day 1 – Tuesday, 12 June 2012

10:00 Registration

Moderator: Adolfo Sansolini, Journalist, Animal Welfare Consultant

WELCOME AND KEYNOTE SPEECH

11:00 Welcome notes

Birte Broberg, Senior Veterinary Officer, Danish Veterinary and Food Service, Denmark

Helmut Dungler, CEO and President, VIER PFOTEN International, Austria

Sonja van Tichelen, Director, Eurogroup for Animals, Belgium

11:30 Keynote speech: Enforcement - crucial part of the new EU Animal Welfare Strategy and the importance of sincere co-operation (Art. 4 TFEU)

Harry Vassallo, Member of Cabinet European Commission Directorate General Health and Consumer Policy (DG SANCO), Belgium

PART I FRAMEWORK FOR ENFORCEMENT – THE EU LEVEL

Chair: Birte Broberg, Senior Veterinary Officer, Danish Veterinary and Food Administration, Denmark

11:45 The Animal Welfare Strategy and enforcement

Andrea Gavinelli, Head of Unit Animal Welfare DG SANCO G2, European Commission, Belgium

12:00 Experience by inspections of the Food and Veterinary Service on Animal Welfare

Terence Cassidy, Head of Sector Animal Welfare, European Commission Directorate General Health and Consumer Policy (DG SANCO), Food and Veterinary Office, unit F5, Belgium/Ireland

12:15 Discussion

12:30 Lunch break

PART II INDICATORS FOR ENFORCEMENT: EU AND MEMBER STATES - THE VERTICAL PERSPECTIVE

Chair: Marlene Wartenberg, Director European Policy Office, VIER PFOTEN – Stiftung für Tierschutz, Belgium

13:30 Classification of Animals as goods or sentient beings – a legal historical indicator for Animal Welfare enforcement

Tereza Gimenez-Candela, Law Professor, initiator of the Masterstudy “Animals in Law and Society”, Free University of Barcelona, Spain

13:45 Legal qualification of cruelty against animals as a crime – a social and cultural indicator for Animal Welfare enforcement

Just D.Ort, Senior Prosecutor ret., Board Member, German Juridical Society for Animal Welfare Law (DJGT), Germany

14:00 Animal Welfare as an ethical constitutional aim of a state and its impact on the judiciary –selected examples

Gieri Bolliger, Director and Attorney at Law, Stiftung für das Tier im Recht (TIR), Switzerland

14:15 Indicators for Enforcement – a global perspective

Carla Brown, Legislative Affairs Manager, World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA), United Kingdom

14:30 Discussion

PART III INDICATORS FOR ENFORCEMENT PROBLEMS ON MEMBER STATE LEVEL – THE HORIZONTAL PERSPECTIVE

Chair: Mitja Sedlbauer, Senior Advisor, Veterinary Administration of the Republic of Slovenia

14:45 Communication and Co-operation on the juridical and veterinary level – key element for effective enforcement

Jan Vaarten, Executive Director, Federation of Veterinarians of Europe (FVE), Belgium

15:00 Strengthening enforcement by governmental, legal and civic tools

Madeleine Martin, Commissioner for Animal Welfare in the State of Hessen, Germany

15:15 Consumers’ decision on visible animal friendly products as enforcement support

Marijke de Jong, Senior Policy Officer – Livestock, Dierenbescherming, The Netherlands

15:30 Information, Education and Training on Animal Welfare - towards a common EU wide concept of Responsibility for sentient beings

Silvia d’Albenzio, Senior Training Manager, Istituto G. Caporale Teramo, Italy

15:45 Discussion

16:00 Coffee break

PART IV CASE STUDY: LAYING HENS IN THE EU - PROBLEMS OF ENFORCEMENT (Directive 1999/74)

Chair: Alexandra Hammond-Seamon, Senior Program Manager, RSPCA

16:30 The Legislative Procedure and the Laying Hens Decision of the German Federal constitutional court

Christoph Maisack, President, German Juridical Association for Animal Welfare Law (DJGT), Vice Commissioner for Animal Welfare of the State of Baden-Württemberg, Germany

16:40 The enforcement preparation of the EU Commission after the Laying Hens experience

Andrea Gavinelli, Head of Unit Animal Welfare, DG SANCO G2 European Commission, Belgium

16:50 The infringement procedures - Fines for non compliance

Günter Wilms, Legal Service, European Commission, Belgium

17:00 Discussion

17:10 Financial incentives to facilitate enforcement

Véronique Schmit, Executive Officer Policy, Eurogroup for animals, Belgium

17:20 Specific problem of enforcement: Illegal eggs and the Kleingruppenhaltung (small group housing)

Gabriel Paun, Director of Campaigns, VIER PFOTEN International, Austria

17:30 Austria – the implementation of the cage ban by an integrated conception

Claudia Wöhry, Jurist for Animal Welfare Affairs, Austrian Federal Ministry of Health, Department II/B/10 –Veterinary Legislation, Animal Health and Trade in Live Animals

17:40 Discussion

18:00 End of Day 1

19:00 Animal Welfare Evening Reception

Presentation of the new Commissioner for Animal Welfare of the State of Baden-Württemberg
Walking Dinner

Music programme: Collegium Musicum Veterinarium “Syrinx”

Location: Representation of the State of Baden-Württemberg to the European Commission,
Rue Beillard 60-62, 1040 Brussels

Day 2 – Wednesday, 13 June 2012

09:00 Registration and coffee

Part V SPOT ON OTHER SELECTED ENFORCEMENT ISSUES: DOGS, GEESE, LIVE ANIMAL TRANSPORT, PIGS, ANIMALS USED FOR SCIENTIFIC PURPOSES

Chair: Eric van Tilburgh, Head of Animal Welfare Division, Federal Services of Public Health, Belgium

09:30 **Dog movement and trade in the EU – new legal perspectives**

Sophie Duthoit, EU Legal Research Officer, VIER PFOTEN – Stiftung für Tierschutz, Belgium

09:40 **Specific enforcement problems of the Regulation 998/2003 in Germany**

Max Walleitner, German Juridical Association for Animal Welfare Law (DJGT), Germany

09:50 **Identification and Registration as enforcement tool**

Paolo Dalla Villa, Head of Human-Animal Relationship and Animal Welfare Unit, Istituto G. Caporale Teramo, Italy

10:00 Discussion

10:30 Coffee break

11:00 **Live Feather Plucking: the EFSA report and consequences for enforcement**

Marcus Müller, Expert Campaigns Poultry, VIER PFOTEN International, Austria

11:15 **Live transport and enforcement – an NGO perspective**

Peter Stevenson, Chief Policy Advisor, Compassion in World Farming (CIWF), United Kingdom

11:30 **Pig Welfare – ways to compliance?**

Oscar Dignoes Torres-Quevedo, Veterinary Officer, Animal Welfare Unit of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Environment, Spain

11:45 **Protection of Animals Used for Scientific Purposes: Enforcement Consideration**

Mark Jones, Executive Director, Humane Society International (HIS), United Kingdom

12:00 Discussion

12:30 Lunch break

Part VI CRITERIA FOR EFFECTIVE EU AND NATIONAL ENFORCEMENT - THE VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL VIEW

Chair: Peter Stevenson, Chief Policy Advisor, Compassion in World Farming (CIWF), United Kingdom

13:30 Expectations of veterinarians in the Member States to the FVO inspection system

Christophe Buhot, President, Federation of Veterinarians in Europe (FVE), Belgium

13:45 Expectation of academic jurists to the legislative bodies

Jean-Pierre Marguenaud, Law Professor, Law and Economical Sciences University, Limoges, Director,
Revue Semestrielle du Droit Animalier (RSDA), France

14:00 Expectations of Lawyers in practice to the EU enforcement system and to Competent Authorities

Noor Evertsen, Legal Consultant, Dier&Recht, The Netherlands

14:15 Expectations of the European Commission to Member States' structures of enforcement

Francesca Volpi, Legislative Officer Enforcement, DG SANCO E5 European Commission, Belgium

14:30 Expectations of EU citizens represented by NGOs to the EU and the Member States

Sonja van Tichelen, Director, Eurogroup for Animals, Belgium

14:45 Discussion: Conditions and Components for better compliance of Animal Welfare related
EU Legislation

Plenary

15:00/15:30 Conclusions and end of the Conference

