

EURCAW-Pigs Training



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Art 96 of the Official Controls Regulation

Task

“conducting training courses for staff of the national scientific support networks or bodies [...], for staff of the competent authorities and for experts from third countries”



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Training

To facilitate training, EURCAW-Pigs offers suggestions for training and continuing education courses for inspectors. These are specifically targeted towards the eight prioritized welfare areas along the value chain (on-farm, transport, slaughter).

EURCAW-Pigs provides:

- (1) Examples of training plans and materials used in different Member States in English, to the extent possible.
- (2) Quality standards, advice, templates, and technical support. These are provided in English so that they can be used by all EU member states.

Contact

For suggestions, comments or questions about the training activities and materials, please contact us:

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Sub-activity 4.1 Evaluate existing training activities and materials with reference to training needs of inspectors

Objectives

- Evaluate BTSF course material and course evaluations and suggest courses feasible for use in MS's additional training needs for inspectors
- Collect course material used in MS, translate these materials to English and suggest ways to make the courses available for further use in MS
- Assess inspectors need for training by grounded interviews

Expected results in 2021

- Access to past BTSF courses on the DG SANTE site will be facilitated via the EURCAW website
- A selection of national courses will be made available for all MS on the EURCAW website during the entire work program
- Interviews with inspectors

Sub-activity 4.2 Develop course standards and materials for welfare topics

Objectives

- To provide examples of training courses and materials that support the training activities and calibration of compliance criteria for main welfare topics.

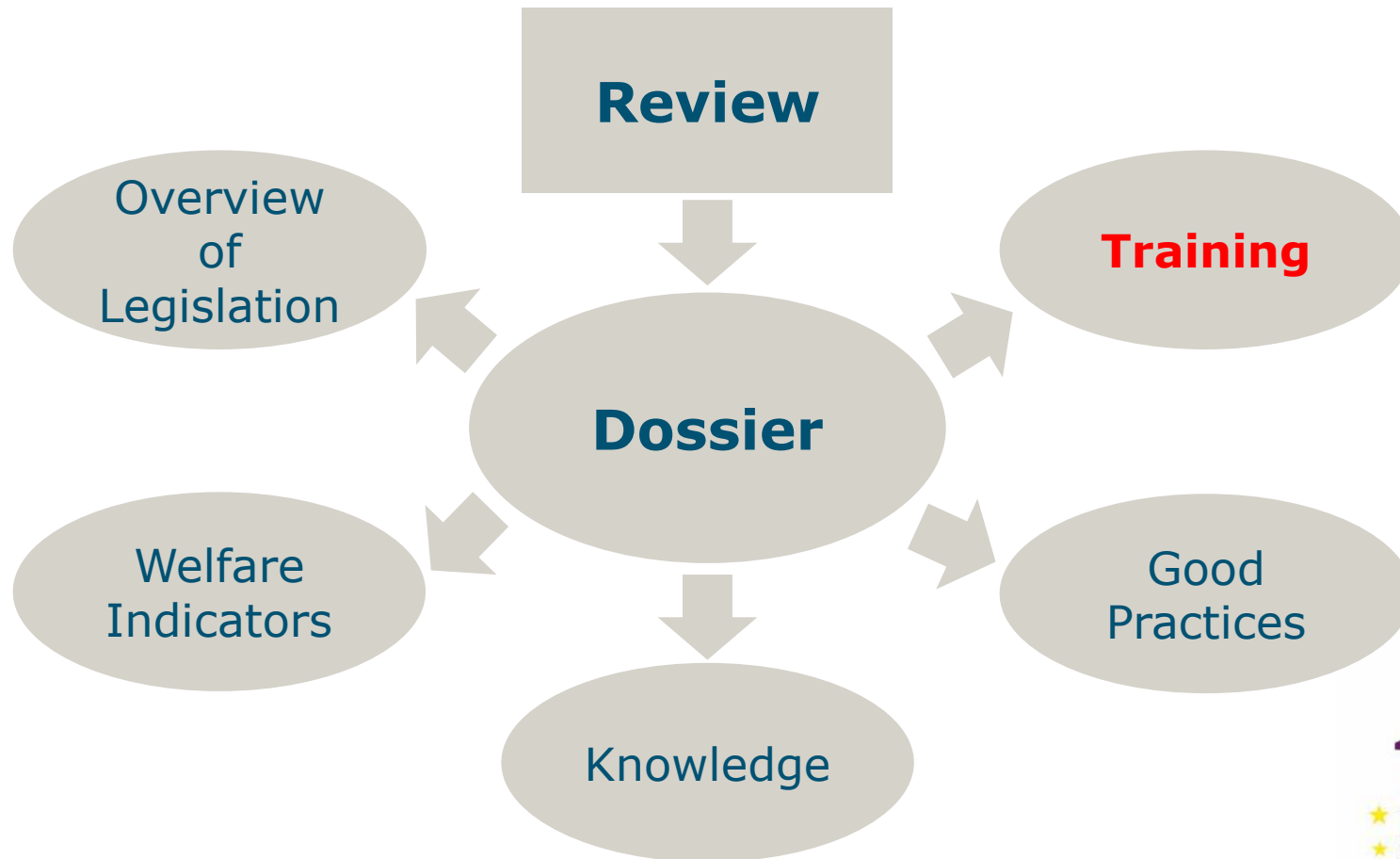
Expected results in 2021

- A workshop for national training bodies, in which draft material will be presented and evaluated with the attendees (October 27 2021).
- The existing training guides on Sow housing will be updated following the new review on Sow group housing systems



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EURCAW Pigs have made seven training guides

[other parameters on pigs](#), Birgitta Staaf Larsson, Swedish Centre for Animal Welfare, SLU, 2020

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- Training guides

In collaboration with national training bodies and national reference centers on animal welfare, training guides are developed for the different welfare topics as standards for national training in EU Member States

- [Climate control and space allowance - transport of pigs](#), EURCAW-Pigs, 2020
- [Farrowing housing and management](#), EURCAW-Pigs, 2020
- [Handling in lairage](#), EURCAW-Pigs, 2020
- [Group-housing and mixing of sows](#), EURCAW-Pigs, 2020
- [Fitness for transport](#), EURCAW-Pigs, 2020
- [Tail biting and tail docking](#), EURCAW-Pigs, 2021
- [Pig stunning and bleeding](#), EURCAW-Pigs, 2021

- [Improving communication – relevant tools and resources](#), EURCAW-Pigs; Authors Overstreet, K., Anneberg, I., 2020

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Sub-activity 4.3 To produce guidelines on how to change perceptions and attitudes (AU)

Objectives

- To develop alternative approaches to the inspection process
- To develop examples for on-line videos as integrated parts of training lessons

Expected results in 2021

- A review on creative approaches to the inspection process



- Facilitating the dialogue on farm, at the abattoir, during road checks
- Focus on attitudes and behaviour

Farmers, inspectors and animal welfare: possibilities for change. A Review

Katy Overstreet and Inger Anneberg

Aarhus University, Denmark

Communication between inspectors and farmers



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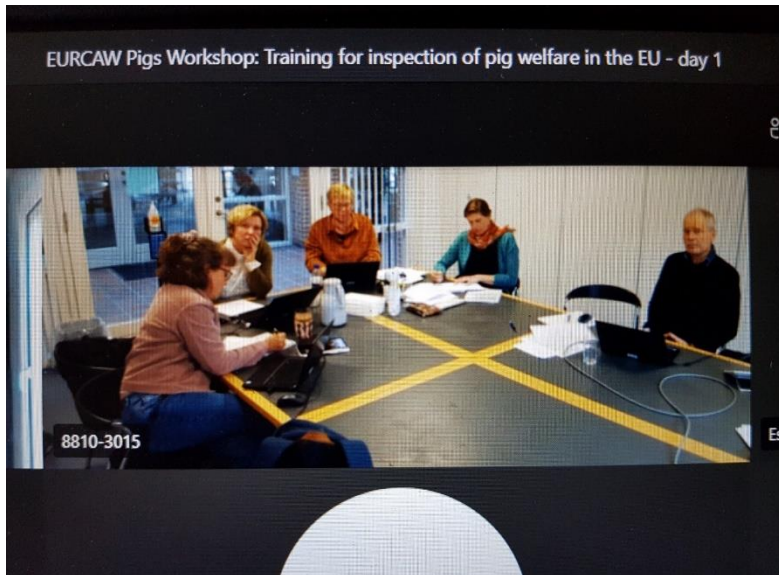
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Workshop in 27 October 2021: Training for inspection



- Communication between inspector and farmers in the EU animal welfare control
- Short inputs by inspectors from different countries on concrete examples of dilemmas regarding the communication on animal welfare in connection with EU control in the pig area.
- The Cambridge Calgary Method in the veterinary clinic area with concrete examples





Workshop in 27 October 2021: Input from inspectors

- 1-2 personal examples of dilemmas as regards communicating rule-compliance / animal welfare to a farmer?
- What do you think is important when communicating rule-compliance / animal welfare to a farmer?
- How do you avoid being personally influenced? An if you are personally influenced – how do you deal with that?
- Anything else that you think is important?

