



Better Training for Safer Food *Initiative*

Training course on "Animal Welfare in pig production"

**Implementation of the EU-legislation:
The Swedish experiences and
perspectives**

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Implementing EU legislation Swedish perspectives:

9 million people
2,5 million pigs
(with tails)

1 % of
EU - market



Enabling factors

Education – Dialogue – “Consensus”

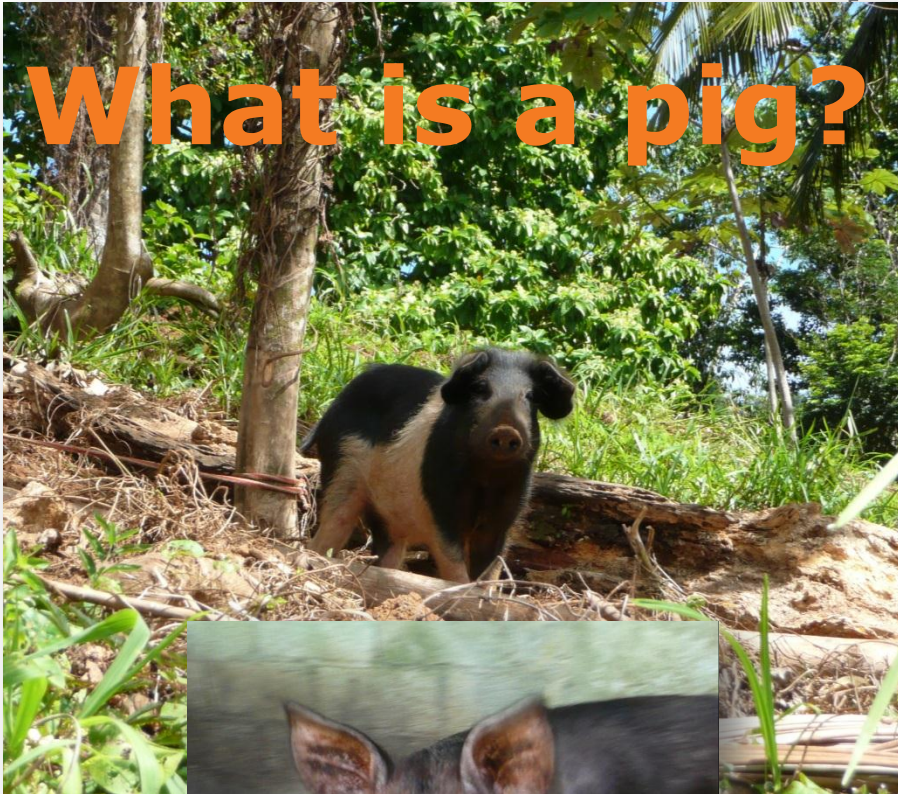
Ex. Anaesthetic and analgesia during castration

Animal welfare declaration





What is a pig?



Legislation – Science – Experience

Implement a directive as minimum in national law



Much already present/stricter in Swedish legislation, regarding:

- ☒ *Individual stalls*
- ☒ *Space/area*
- ☒ *Air*
- ☒ *Noise*
- ☒ *Rooting/bedding*
- ☒ *Weaning*
- ☒ *Tail dockning*

Legislation

Weaning:

Nature 17 weeks

Sweden 4 weeks

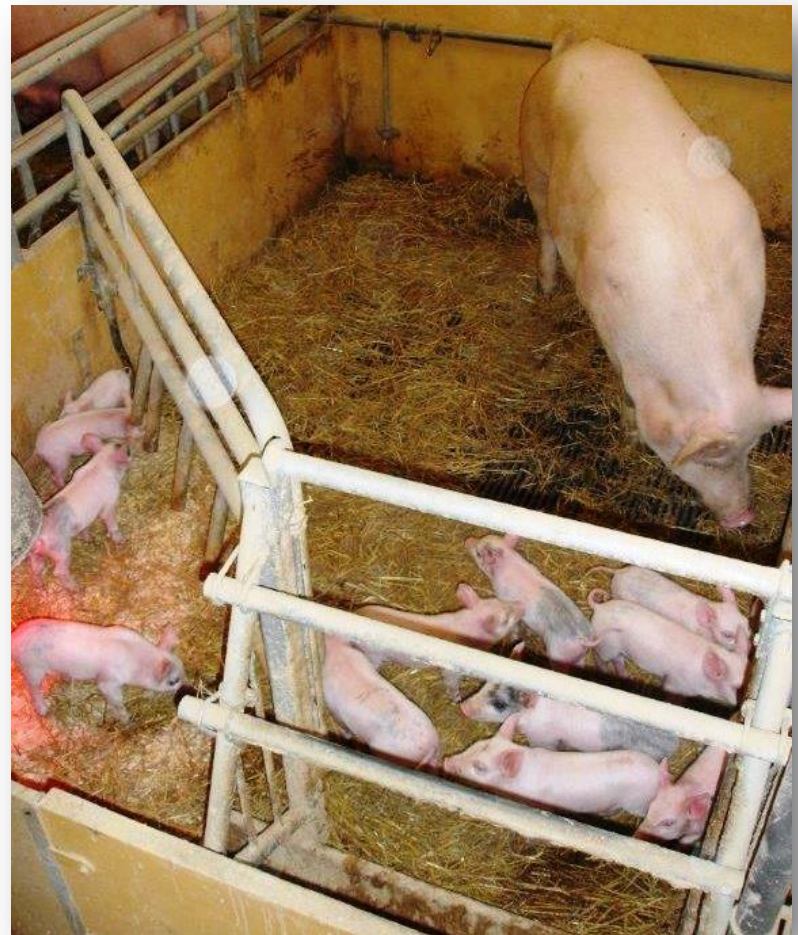
Directive 3 weeks

→2, 1, -1 week?

*Longer nursing period
reduces ulcers and
allosuckling*

Tail dockning

Ban taken seriously



Swedish experiences

Space and Rooting material:

- reduces aggression, ease social interactions, mother offspring communication*
- No need to keep sows/gilts confined*
- Eliminates the need for tail docking*



Not "toys", chains, pieces of wood, e.t.c.



Swedish experiences

Conclusions

Good Animal Health
Slaughter database

Low antibiotic levels

*Dialogue with
Stakeholders and
NGO's*



So, what seems to be the problem?

- Well..



Thank you for the attention





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