



Better Training for Safer Food *Initiative*

Training course on "Animal Welfare during transport"

**Title of the presentation: The Better
Training for Safer Food Training Strategy**

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INTRODUCION



Better Training for Safer Food is a Commission training initiative covering **food and feed law, animal health and welfare and plant health rules.**

It trains Member State and Candidate country **national authority staff** involved

in official controls in these areas.

Training is also organised specifically for participants from **Third, particularly developing countries**, in order to facilitate their familiarisation with the EU requirements.

BTSF Objectives

The main objective of the "Better Training for Safer Food" Initiative is the **organisation and development of an EU training strategy** with a view to:

- ensuring and maintaining a **high level of consumer protection and of animal health, animal welfare and plant health**;
- promoting a **harmonised approach** to the operation of Community and national control systems;
- creating an **equal level playing field** for all food businesses;
- enhancing trade of **safe food**;
- ensuring **fair trade** with Third Countries and in particular developing countries.



TRAINING COURSES IN THE EU

Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point principles

Good practice for veterinary checks in airport, seaport, road and rail border inspection posts

Animal welfare standards during transport, at farm, at slaughter and in killing for disease control purposes

Monitoring and controls of zoonoses and applying microbiological criteria in foodstuffs

Evaluation and registration of plant protection products

Food hygiene and controls

Feed law

Plant health controls

Controls on food and feed of non-animal origin

Animal by-products

Health of aquaculture animals

Health of bees and exotic zoo animals

Prevention, control and eradication of TSE

The Trade Control and Expert System (TRACES) in EU countries

Quality schemes: organic farming and geographical indications

Audit systems and internal auditing

Support for EU controls in EU and non-EU countries

BTSF eLearning

In order to address the huge demand for training, an e-learning pilot project was launched in 2010.

This is composed of two main stages aiming at developing ten modules covering the following technical topics:

First stage of the pilot phase – **five elearning modules:**

- **Food Contact Materials**
- **Animal Welfare at slaughter and killing for disease control**
- **Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP)**
- **TSE**
- **Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (RASFF)**



BTSF eLearning

Second stage of the pilot phase – **five elearning modules:**

- **Animal Welfare at slaughter and killing for disease control for poultry**
- Animal nutrition
- Animal health prevention and controls for
- Aquaculture animals
- EU plant quarantine regime for imports
- Food hygiene and control on fishery products and Live Bivalve Molluscs

Languages: **English, French, German, Spanish and Portuguese**

More information:
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BTSF Animal Welfare activities in 2013 - 2014

Fourteen workshops

- Italy (6 sessions)
- Italy/Slovenia (2 sessions)
- Denmark (2 sessions)
- Spain (2 sessions)
- United Kingdom (2 sessions)





BTSF Animal Welfare activities in 2013 - 2014

Contractor

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Sub-contractors

Aarhus University
<http://www.au.dk/en/>

Scotland's Rural College
<http://www.sruc.ac.uk/>

Università degli Studi di Milano
<http://www.unimi.it/ENG>





Animal welfare in poultry productions (laying hens and chickens kept for meat production)

Edition	Location	Date
I	Italy	15 -18 October 2013
II	UK	10 – 13 December 2013
III	Italy	11 - 14 March 2014
IV	UK	21 – 24 October 2014



Animal welfare in pig production

Edition	Location	Date
I	Italy	12 – 15 November 2013
II	Italy	21 - 24 January 2014
III	Denmark	12 – 15 May 2014
IV	Denmark	25 – 28 November 2014



Animal welfare at slaughter

Edition	Location	Date
I	Spain	18-21 June 2013
II	Italy	18 – 21 February 2014



Animal welfare in killing for disease control

Edition	Location	Date
I	Spain	8 -11 April 2014
II	Italy	23-26 September 2014



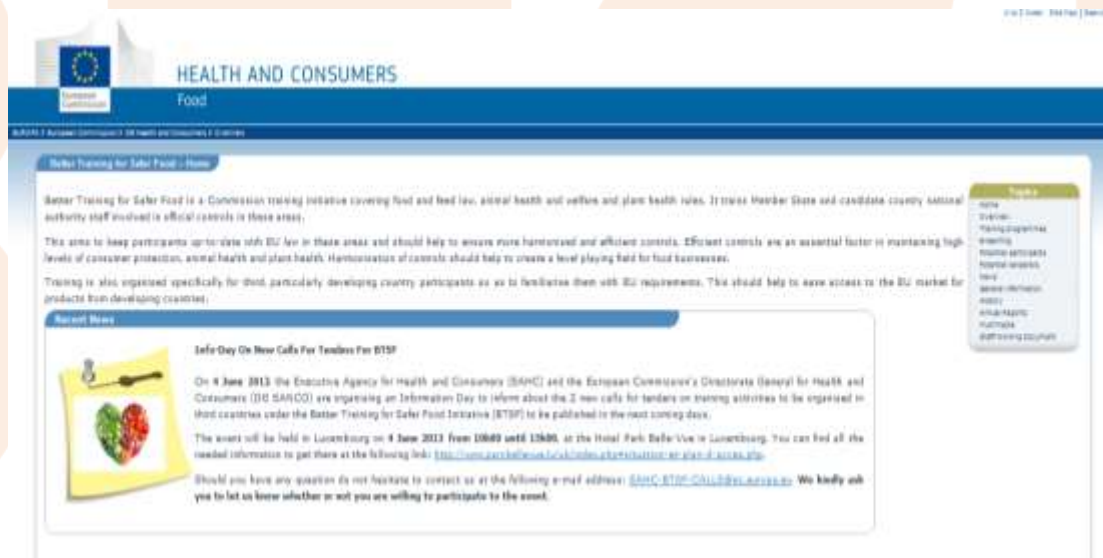
Animal welfare during transport

Edition	Location	Date
I	Italy/Slovenia	24 - 27 September 2013
II	Italy/Slovenia	24 - 27 June 2014



More information on BTSF

available at: http://ec.europa.eu/food/training_strategy/



More information on this BTSF project

available at: <http://www.sancotraining.izs.it>



More information on this BTSF eLearning

available at: <http://www.btsf-elearning-campus.eu>





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background, objectives, expected results**

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the end of the course participants will achieve the necessary skills to:

- **interpret relevant EU legislation** and international framework (as the OIE guidelines);
- apply **scientific basis for proper transport** of the animals (animal behaviour, concept of stress and its implication in the quality of the meat, animal physiology in particular drinking and feeding needs);
- **check transport conditions and records** (fitness for transport, vehicle standards, space allowances, temperatures, travelling time limits, tachographs and navigation systems etc.);
- manage practical aspects of **handling of animals** (loading and unloading activities) and emergency care for animals during transport;
- assess the **design of vehicles facilities** (density, drinking devices, headroom, ramps of access, stalls when required, etc...);
- identify best **solutions to achieve the requirements on control posts**;
- facilitate the monitoring and proper **enforcement of relevant animal welfare requirements** during the transport.

TRAINING METHODOLOGIES

- Lectures
- Panel discussions
- Discussion forum
- Case studies
- In field visits
- Simulation exercises



DELEGATES AND TUTORS

1 OIE Delegate

2 NCAs Delegates

20 Tutors from Italy, Spain, Slovenia and United Kingdom

- Tutors represent NCAs & Governments, Universities & Research Institutions, Italian Ministry of Interior, NGOs and Business Operators





55 PARTICIPANTS

Albania (1)

Austria (1)

Belgium (2)

Bosnia and Herzegovina (1)

Bulgaria (3)

Chile (1)

Croatia (1)

Cyprus (2)

Czech Rep. (2)

Denmark (1)

Estonia (2)

Finland (2)

France (1)

Germany (1)

Greece (1)

Hungary (2)

Iceland (1)

Ireland (2)

Italy (2)

Latvia (2)

Lithuania (2)

Malta (1)

Moldova (2)

Montenegro (1)

Netherlands (1)

Poland (2)

Portugal (1)

Romania (2)

Slovakia (2)

Slovenia (2)

Spain (1)

Sweden (2)

The Former Yugoslav

Rep. Of Macedonia (2)

Turkey (2)

United Kingdom (1)

EXPECTATIONS

To monitor animal welfare outcomes throughout practical experience

To carry out efficient inspections

To enforce personal knowledge of scientific principles of animal welfare on transport.

To enhance contact with colleagues working on animal welfare on transport.

To improve the knowledge of relevant EU legislation concerning Animal Welfare during transport and related operations

To strengthen national policies to promote animal welfare during transport

To increase my knowledge of animal handling during transportation

To strengthen our knowledge of EU legislation and the scientific basis to use when monitoring controls of welfare during transport of live animals

How to react other countries face of animals during transport accidents. How to remove theses animals accidents trucks

To improve knowledge on checks of journey log and of technical equipment

Hope for practical training of welfare control of transported animals. In particular transport of horses.

Learning new procedures in carrying out official controls related to animal welfare during transport (short and long distance) and to share experience with the EU experts and other participants on the related subject.

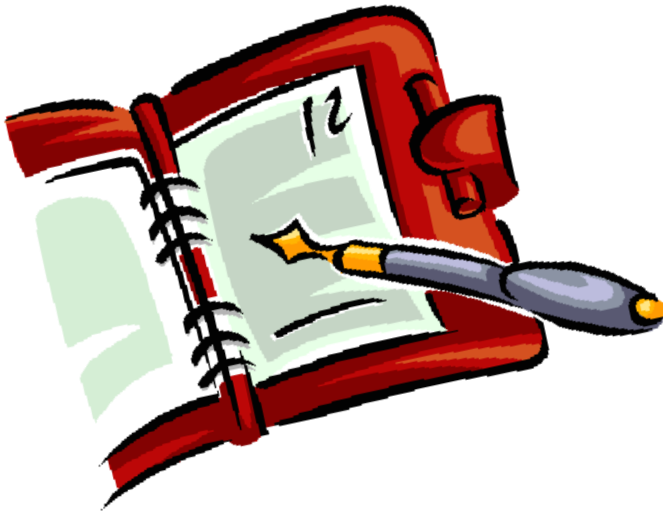
AGENDA: DAY 1



World
Organisation
for Animal
Health

- EU legislation
- Comparative assessment of FVO inspections
- TRACES
- OIE AW standards
- Panel discussion: the application of the Council Regulation EC/01/2005

AGENDA: DAY 2



Morning

- Role of CAs in improving AW
- Road checks during long distance transport
- Fitness of animals for the intended journey
- Case studies
- Predictive modelling of the responses of animals to transportation to assess welfare

Afternoon

- Animal based measures
- Assessment of critical control point during journey, loading and unloading
- Effective veterinary checks
- Journey logs
- Cooperation experiences on official control
- Use of CPs and assessment of travel conditions

AGENDA: DAY 3



- Panel discussion: stakeholders' perspective on AW during long journey transport
- In field exercise
- Visit to Control Post
- Group activities



AGENDA: DAY 4



- Plenary discussion
- Knowledge building in Animal Welfare during transport
- Conclusions

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

26 June, 2014

Sightseeing of Trieste

• *Social Dinner*



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