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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Contact:	LIFE.3@consilium.europa.eu
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Subject:	Working Party on Animals and Veterinary Questions (Chief Veterinary Officers)
Date:	15 and 17 September 2026
Time:	09:30, 09:30
Venue:	Kilkenny Ormonde Hotel Ormonde Street Kilkenny, R95 Y5CX, Ireland

1. Welcome to Kilkenny

- *Presentation by the Presidency*

2. Risk Communication

- *Information from the Presidency*
- *Presentations by the Greek, French and Belgian delegations*
- *Presentations by the Director of University College Dublin - Centre of Veterinary Epidemiology and Risk Analysis (CVERA) and the CEO of Animal Health Ireland*
- *Exchange of views*

3. SANTE.F 2027 Audit Programme Update

- *Presentation from the Commission*
- *Exchange of views*

4. Biosecurity at the Wildlife Interface

- *Presentations by the Austrian, Swiss and Northern Ireland delegations*
- *Exchange of views*

5. World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH)

a) WOAH Specialist Commission Nominations Update

- *Information from the Presidency*
- *Information from Delegations*

b) Regional Commission of Europe (20-25 Sept, Riga)

- *Information from the Commission*
- *Exchange of views*

c) WOAH Governance Review Committee

I. Potential membership of REIO in WOAH - Update from Coreper

II. Update on the work of the Mandate Subgroup

III. Update from GRC 11 & preparations for GRC 12 ¹

IV. Workstreams

- *Information from the Presidency and a member of the WOAH Governance Review Committee*
- *Exchange of views*

¹ This item will be considered by the Working Party in the capacity of the special committee within the meaning of Article 218(4) TFEU and in accordance with Article 2 of the Council Decision 2025/2227 of 27 October 2025 authorising the opening of negotiations, in the interest of the European Union, on a revision of the International Agreement and Organic Statutes, the Organic Rules, the Financial Rules and the General Rules and other texts of the World Organisation for Animal Health.

6. Biological Threats

- *Presentation by the Norwegian delegation*
- *Presentation by the Presidency*
- *Exchange of views*

7. Animal Health Law Evaluation – Moving Forward

- *Presentation by the commission*
- *Exchange of views*

8. Animal Health Europe – Strategic Veterinary Dialogue Proposal

- *Information from the Presidency*
- *Exchange of views*

9. Any Other Business

a) HPAI vaccination strategy in Denmark

- *Information from the Danish delegation*

NB: Delegations are reminded to register their presence in the Delegates Portal.

NB: Council documents are available on the Delegates Portal.