



# "Animal welfare: a barrier to trade?"

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# Animal Welfare in the EU...

1974  
Animals are  
goods

1997  
Animals  
are  
sentient  
beings

2009  
Pay full regard to  
animal welfare in  
policies on  
Agriculture, Fisheries,  
Transport, Internal  
market, research and  
technology



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# Enlargement of the EU





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The World Trade Organization (WTO) deals with trade between nations. Its goal is to ensure that trade flows as smoothly and freely as possible.

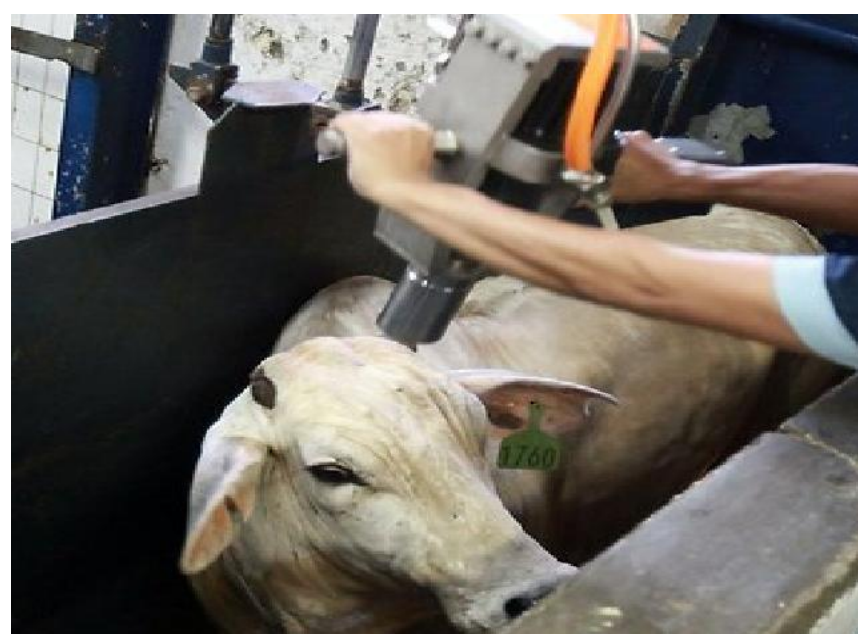
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# Welfare at slaughter





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# Welfare during transport





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# Welfare of laying hens

1999

New farms

Transitional  
period for  
existing farms

2012  
deadline





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# Welfare of sows

2003

New farms

Transitional  
period for  
existing farms

2013  
deadline





# Regulation (EC) No 1523/2007

banning the placing  
on the market and  
the import of cat  
and dog fur.



# To reduce the barriers in future

- reinforcing on-going EU activities
- inform the public
- international cooperation





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### News



#### Commission publishes progress report on its AMR Action Plan

The Commission today publishes a progress report on its five year Action Plan Against Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR). The Plan takes a holistic approach and sets out 12 concrete actions both in the human and the veterinary field. The report summarises the progress made under each of the actions. Amongst its conclusions is that AMR will remain a priority in the EU beyond 2016.

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#### Commissioner Andriukaitis to visit the International Agricultural Show in Paris

Health and Food Safety Commissioner Vytenis Andriukaitis will attend the 52nd International Agricultural Show in Paris on 26 February 2015. The show runs from Saturday 21 February to Sunday 1 March. The Commission will host



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