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### **NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

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Subject: Working Party of Veterinary Experts (Potsdam Group)

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Date: 29 May 2018

Time: 10.00

Venue: COUNCIL  
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Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

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#### **1. Certification of third country requirements in relation to EU exports**

- a) Outcome of consultations with stakeholders  
– *Exchange of information and views*
- b) Background certificate  
– *Information by the German and Danish delegations and exchange of views*

#### **2. Pilot phase of the new Potsdam configurations:** feedback on the work carried out during the first semester

- *Information by the Presidency and the rapporteurs of the relevant configurations and exchange of views*

- 3. China:** certification issues related to food exports  
– *Information by the Commission and the rapporteur of the configuration and exchange of views*
- 4. Thailand:** seminar on regionalisation and side meetings with the Department of Livestock Development (Bangkok, 5 and 6 June 2018)  
– *Information by the Commission and exchange of views*
- 5. Korea:**
- a) 7th meeting of the Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures under the Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with the Republic of Korea (Brussels, 19 September 2018)  
– *Information by the Commission and exchange of views*
  - b) Veterinary certification for products of animal origin  
– *Information by the Commission and exchange of views*
- 6. Japan:**
- a) Commission's meetings with Japan during the week of 14 May 2018  
– *Information by the Commission and exchange of views*
  - b) State of play on the exercise on mutual recognition of animal health  
– *Information by the Commission and exchange of views*
- 7. Mercosur:** activities of the Potsdam Group – Mercosur configuration  
– *Information by the rapporteur of the configuration and exchange of views*
- 8. Saudi Arabia:** EU-wide harmonisation of certificates (beef and poultry meat and its products)  
– *Information by the Commission and exchange of views*

**9. New Zealand:** import health standard for pig meat and pig meat products

– *Information by the Commission and exchange of views*

**10. Audits in Member States carried out by third countries**

– *Information by delegations on ongoing and future audits*

**11. Brazil (\*):** harmonised model certificates related to the manufacturing, packaging and labelling of products of animal origin

**12. India (\*):** EU-India Animal Health Technical Working Group (Brussels, 30 May 2018)

**13. Chile (\*):** EU initial textual proposal for an SPS chapter in the context of the modernisation of the EU-Chile Association Agreement

**14. AOB**

a) Russian Federation: state of play on sanitary bans on meat trimmings, offal, fat and meals

– *Update by the Commission*

b) Ukraine: priority list of commodities for negotiation of harmonised export certificates

– *Update by the Commission*

(\* ) For written exchange of information only: not to be discussed unless otherwise requested by a delegation at least two days before the meeting.

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