



Nordic-Baltic Seminar on Biosecurity; Experiences, Training, Motivation and Economic Aspects

Time: 6th – 8th May 2014

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Objectives:

The objectives of the seminar on biosecurity are to:

- Highlight recent research in the field of biosecurity and the future demands and challenges to consider.
- Elucidate and discuss different aspects related to biosecurity, especially:
 - motivation to enhance biosecurity
 - training and education
 - economic aspects
 - how to increase the awareness and knowledge on biosecurity measures
- Stimulate networking and exchange of knowledge and useful experiences between participants from different countries.

Target group:

The seminar addresses personnel with special responsibilities in animal health preparedness and contingency work. This includes:

- veterinarians and experts employed by national governments in the Nordic and Baltic countries involved in animal disease surveillance, implementation of disease control or designated to prevent animal disease outbreaks and improve biosecurity measures including economists working within this field
- scientists and diagnosticians from national reference laboratories
- veterinarians and experts employed by the livestock industry responsible for disease prevention and control
- representatives of farmers associations



PROGRAMME

Tuesday 6 May 2014

Arrival and Registration of Participants

16:00 Transfer bus from Arlanda, the chauffeur will wait at terminal 5

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18:00 – 21:00 Reception and registration of participants, Castle main building
Dinner buffet, Castle main building

Wednesday 7 May 2014

“Johannesbergssalen”

8:30 – 8:45 **Opening Session**
Dr Sirpa Kiviruusu, Finland, Chairman of the Nordic-Baltic Veterinary
Contingency Group (NB VCG)
Welcome by Dr Ingrid Eilertz, Chief Veterinary Officer, Sweden

Session I. Biosecurity; Definitions, Experiences and Future Demands

Chairman: Ingrid Eilertz, Sweden

8:45 Biosecurity, Foot and Mouth Disease and the real world.
Speaker: Dr Emma Rose,
Veterinary Adviser, Animal Health and Veterinary Laboratories Agency,
UK

9:25 Future EU Animal Health Regulation: a step forward to a better
biosecurity?
Speaker: Dr Barbara Logar
Dr. vet. Med, MSc, European Commission

9:55-10:20 *Coffee break*

- 10:20 The Danish SPF System for pigs – The best strategy for protecting farms from infections? Experiences and challenges for the future.
Speaker: Dr Bent Nielsen
Head of Department, DVM, PhD, Danish Agriculture & Food Council
- 11:00 Experience and challenges dealing with backyard pig farms during CSF outbreak in Latvia
Speaker: Dr Edvins Olsevskis
Dr.med.vet, Food and Veterinary Service, Latvia
- 11:25 The Norwegian Healthier Goats Project - eradication of CAE, CLA and Paratuberculosis in the norwegian goat population. Building knowledge in biosecurity among farmers, advisors and veterinarians is an important key to success!
Speaker: Dr Dag Lindheim
Project Manager Tine SA, Norway
- 12-13 *Lunch in the Johannesberg wing*

Session II Behaviour and Motivation

Chairman: Maarja Kristian, Estonia

- 13:00 Biosecurity on Swedish livestock farms – attitudes and behaviours among farmers and professional visitors
Speaker: Dr Jenny Frössling
Epidemiologist, National Veterinary Institute, Sweden
- 13:35 Biosecurity attitudes and beliefs of Finnish farmers.
Speaker: Dr Leena Sahlström
DVM, PhD, Risk Assessment Research Unit, Finnish Food Safety Authority Evira,
- 14:10 Barriers and motivation for biosecurity in Danish cattle farmers
Speaker: Dr Esben Jakobsen,
Specialist of Dairy Herd Health Management, InnoVet-Ko, Denmark
- 14:45 – 15:15 *Coffee break*



Session III Training and Education

Chairman: Hanne M Hansen, Denmark

- 15:15 ”Smittsäkrad besättning” - A Swedish biosecurity program for cattle farms
– to be launched in 2015.
Speaker: Dr Sofie Andersson and Dr Anna Ohlson
DVM, PhD, Växa Sweden
- 15:55 Focus on Prevention – voluntary measures in joint venture in Finland
Speaker: Dr Pirjo Kortensniemi
The Association for Animal Disease Prevention ETT, Finland
- 16:40 – 18:00 Workshop on Training and education
Facilitator: Dr Esben Jakobsen
- 19:00 *Dinner in the Johannesburg wing*

Thursday 8 May 2014

“Johannesbergssalen”

Session IV Biosecurity and Economic Aspects

Chairman: Siri Lötvedt, Norway

- 8:30 Costs of endemic infectious diseases and preventive measures for endemic
infectious diseases in pigs and cattle.
Speaker: Dr Karin Persson Waller
Adjunct professor, National Veterinary Institute, Sweden
- 9:10 Costs of biosecurity and factors contributing to biosecurity in Finland
Speaker: Dr Jarkko Niemi
Principal research scientist, MTT Agrifood Research, Finland
- 9:45 Economic incentives for exotic disease prevention in pig and cattle herds in
Denmark.
Speaker: Dr Mogens Lund
Norwegian Agricultural Economics Research Institute
- 10:20 – 10:50 *Coffee break*

Session V Compartments and Compartmentalisation

Chairman: Audur Arnthorsdottir, Iceland

- 10:50 OIE standards and guidelines on biosecurity and compartmentalisation
Speaker: Dr Nadège Leboucq,
OIE sub-regional Representation in Brussels
- 11:20 Biosecurity measures for compartments with respect to avian influenza:
practical aspects.
Speaker: Dr Martine Laurijssens
Specialistic Advisor, The Netherlands Food and Consumer Product Safety
Authority
- 12:00 European farmers and agri-cooperatives' views on compartment and
biosecurity.
Speaker: Mette Kirkeskov Sie
Senior Consultant, COPA-Cogeca

Summary and Conclusion

- 12:30 Plenum discussion, conclusions and recommendations
Dr Jørgen Westergaard, ADC-consult
- Closing of seminar
Sirpa Kiviruusu, chairman of the NB VCG
- 13:00 *Lunch in the Castle main building*
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