


As regards **HTA** file,



As to the meetings of the **Chief Veterinary Officers** (CVOs), focus will be on AMR, food fraud and animal welfare.

- On **AMR**, discussion will focus on having effective national action plans in place and prepare for data collection foreseen under the new veterinary medicines Regulation. The Presidency also wants to reflect how CAP can be used to tackle AMR. Depending on Member State feedback to its questionnaire, Finland is reflecting on follow-up (if Council conclusions).
- On **animal welfare**, Finland will also have a questionnaire which will cover e.g. the role of the Animal Welfare Platform and the link between animal welfare and CAP.
- On **food fraud**, Finland has launched a questionnaire to map practices in Member States and could propose Council conclusions if considered useful to support the Commission in intensifying work in this area.
- CVOs and Chief Plant Health Officers (COPHs) will also discuss how to prioritise activities under the future **Single Market Programme** and aim to establish common principles.

Finland would like to rationalise the organisation of **Potsdam group** meetings by having more written information points to allow more focus and time for discussion points.

Finland is ready to discuss follow-up to **pesticides** Refit once available (including Council conclusions if useful). S. Jülicher noted that there is scope to improve implementation of legislation to increase its effectiveness. SANTE DG invited conclusions and a discussion in the AGRIFISH Council.

Finland will have the first Working Party on 6 September to prepare the request for the Commission to act on **new breeding techniques** (process under Article 241 TFEU). In parallel they are preparing a similar request to proceed with the revision of the **seeds** legislation. There will also be a Council statement related to patents and plants by 1 October. France, Germany and the Netherlands will have separate statements.

Finland hopes to make as much progress as possible with **CAP** discussions. The delegation informed that they will not intend to deal with origin labelling or TSE.