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Subject:

BTO draft - EFFAB meeting- 15/09/2018

BTO: DG SANTE E3 meeting with EFFAB,

Participants:

EFFAB:

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DG SANTE E3:

- At request from EFFAB, E3 unit met with [REDACTED] from the European Forum of Farm Animal Breeders and [REDACTED] from the French union of cooperatives of companies active in ruminant insemination.
- During the meeting EFFAB
 - presented background information on the sector of livestock breeders
 - discussed current and potential future developments in applications of NBTs in livestock
 - shared their views on the potential implications of the C-528/16 ruling of the Court of Justice of the European Union for the EU animal breeding sector (e.g. innovation, traceability, patentability)
- The E3 Unit
 - thanked EFFAB for sharing their views and giving their stakeholder perspective on the issue
 - stated that the CJEU ruling brought clarity to the exemption mechanism of the GM legislation as regards mutagenesis
 - stressed that the ruling must now be implemented across all sectors and actors.