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AGENDA

Best practices for alternative egg production system

Wednesday, 3 May 2023, 10.00-14.30, CET, Brussels time

Borschette Building, Room AB-0A, Rue Froissart 36, B-1040 Brussels

Web streaming: <https://webcast.ec.europa.eu/best-practices-for-transitioning-to-higher-welfare-cage-free-egg-production-systems-2023-05-03>

Chair: Andrea Gavinelli

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| 09.15-10.00 | Welcome coffee and registration |
| 10.00-10.10 | Welcome address by Claire Bury
Deputy Director-General for food sustainability, DG SANTE, European Commission |
| 10.10-10.20 | Importance of the European Parliament pilot project in helping egg producers to transition from cages to higher-welfare systems
<i>Benoît Biteau</i> , Member of the European Parliament, 1 st Vice-Chair of the Parliamentary Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development |
| 10.20-10.35 | Introduction to the project – incentives to transition towards cage-free systems and introduction to the various cage-free systems
<i>Bas Rodenburg</i> , Utrecht University |
| 10.35-10.50 | Economics and market considerations of the transition towards cage-free farming
<i>Peter van Horne</i> , Wageningen Economic Research |
| 10.50-11.00 | Questions & Answers |
| 11.00-11.30 | Coffee break |





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- 11.30-11.45 **Best practices for pullet rearing in a cage-free system**
Anja Riber, Aarhus University
- 11.45-12.00 **Best practices for keeping laying hens in a cage-free system**
Mona Giersberg, Utrecht University
- 12.00-12.15 **Questions & Answers**
- 12.15-13.15 **EU stakeholder perspective on the project: panel discussion**
- *Pekka Pesonen, Secretary General, COPA-COGECA*
 - *Birthe Steenberg, Secretary General, Association of Poultry Processors and Poultry Trade in the EU (AVEC)*
 - *Fabrizio Fabbri, Sustainability Policy Manager, European Community of Consumer Co-operatives (Euro Coop)*
 - *Jørgen Nyberg Larsen, CEO, Danish Egg Association; Secretary General, European Egg Packers and Traders Association (EEPTA) and Board member, EU of Wholesale in Eggs, Egg-Products, Poultry and Game (EUWEP)*
 - *Olga Kikou, Head of Compassion in World Farming EU*
 - *Maya Cygańska, Programme Officer, Eurogroup for Animals*
- (Moderator: Frédéric Vincent, DG SANTE, European Commission)*
- 13.15-14.30 Lunch (offered)

