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Meeting of the «Working Group on Pig Meat"

of the Civil Dialogue Group on "Animal Products»

8 November 2022

Chair: AGRI.E3 Animal Products

Delegations present: all organisations were present.

1. Nature of the meeting

The meeting was non-public and held electronically.

2. List of points discussed

• EU pig meat market situation

The Commission provided a presentation on the evolution of production, market prices, and trade in the Union and third countries and on the general state of play of the pigmeat market situation in the Union.

• 2023 pigmeat production forecast (on the basis of information received from the experts of the Working Group)

The experts of the Working Group provided information on the market situation and forecasts for 2023 for their respective Member States.

3. Conclusions/recommendations/opinions

Experts concluded that in 2023, EU pigmeat is likely to decrease by 4%. The decrease was estimated to be more intense in the first half of 2023.

At the source of this reduction, Member States' experts mentioned decreased profitability and cash flow problems for farmers. Cereal prices and other input costs are expected to play a major role.

Environmental and animal welfare requirements also create uncertainty for the future. Furthermore, African Swine Fever in certain EU Member States will continue to influence the market situation in 2023.

4. Next steps

The conclusions of the Working Group will be reported to the Civil Dialog Group on pigmeat of 14 November 2022.

5. Next meeting

To be determined.

6. List of participants

Annexed to the minutes.

(e-signed)

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List of participants—Minutes Meeting of the of the «Working Group on Pig Meat" of the Civil Dialogue Group on "Animal Products» 8 November 2022 from 09:30 to 12:30

	Member organisation
1	European farmers (COPA)
2	European Liaison Committee for Agriculture and Agri-food trade (CELCAA)