"The role of OIE's Animal Welfare regulations in bilateral agreements"

The experience of the UE – Chile agreement and the challenges of its implementation.



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Can a developing country adopt strict international standards and benefit from the process?

"....Animal welfare is a complex and multifaceted matter involving scientific, ethical, economic, cultural, social, religious and political aspects".

http://www.oie.int/es/bienestar-animal/el-bienestar-animal-de-un-vistazo/

Necessary elements for its implementation:

1. OIE's regulations

- Tool box....
 - Title 7 of the code
- Regulations Strength:
 - Based on scientific evidence
 - Prepared by experts
 - Agreed
 - Updated.



Necessary elements for its implementation:

2. Partners in tune

OIE: Meetings, Collaborating centers, Experts of the Animal Welfare Work Team, capacities of veterinary services, PVS,



Chile UE agreement: "... greatest importance at world level in matters of world trade and sustainable development.... Implying animal protection according to regulations of the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE)"



Chile..... Step by step implementation

2009 Publication of regulations of animal protection (law 20.380)

2010 Creation of SAG's Sub department of Animal Welfare

2013 Animal Welfare Regulations:

- Decree 28: Slaugther

- Decree 29: Industrial Production in confinement

Decreto 30: Transport

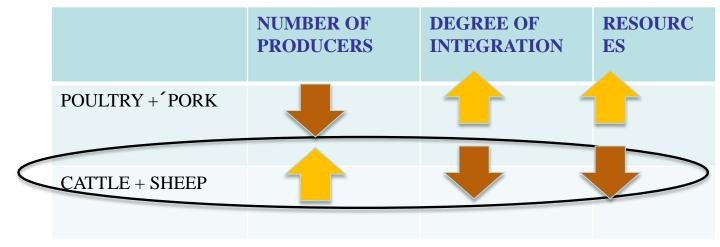
• These regulations are currently valid and in the process of implementation and supervision by SAG.



OUR REALITY



- The main challenge has been to progress in the **cultural** change implied by this task.
- Long distance transport (Chile is over 4.500 km long) represents a big limitation.
- Different **training** realities within the areas



 Σ = the strategy must be **DIFFERENT**

THE BIGGEST CHALLENGE SMALL PRODUCERS AND TRANSPORTERS



Dissemination/diffusion

• Investment in support material is always limited with low coverage and impact.

Training/Ongoing training

- How to guarantee access for everybody?
- The economic aspect has been predominant at the momento of defining the strategy.

Strategy

- 1. Course with State scholarship
- 2. SAG E-learning
- 3. SAG regional workshops

FREE

4. Tax-free course through SAG accredited companies

(*) Certification/recertification test

SUPERVISION

FORMACIÓN

Progressively until 2018

DIFFUSION

Permanently and improving focussing (FMA)

Opportunities

- Improving the way of COMMUNICATING regulations and their scope
- Improving the way in which training is giving, making it more accesible, with contents and language adequate for the target population.

WHAT HAS THE EXPERIENCE BEEN LIKE?

- Very **POSITIVE** Trade unions, companies, universities and other organisations participated actively.
- Some support requests go even beyond the scope of the law.
 - The most important chain of cattle auction trains all its staff.
 - The biggest pork company in Chile has experimented with Environmental Enrichment









The Business Benchmark on Farm Animal Welfare 2015 Report

CHILE: Animal Welfare is part of the National Oficial Farm Certification Process



ANIMAL WELFARE CERTIFICATION A POINT OF VIEW

- HEALTH
- ORIGIN
- FOOD SAFETY

WELFARE?

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Final Comments

- OIE plays a key role for Animal Welfare to favor the development of comercial interchange that includes AW as a **requirement for certification**.
- •At the moment of implementing the regulation, it is important to develop tools to favour **transfer** of knowledge, especially in the case of small producers.
- •AW has real value in the **sustainability** of agricultural business and it will become more common; that is why we, as OIE members, we must analyse the way in which we make progress in providing the **guarantees** the world is demanding.

THANK YOU



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