

27th meeting of the Steering Group of the Platform on animal welfare for Europe (SG27)

7 – 8 October 2026, Teramo Italy

AGENDA

Meeting objectives

- to report on activities implemented since the SG26 (April 2026)
- to present and discuss the next activities of the 4th Action Plan planned for 2024-2026
- review the next action plan proposal

Chair of the meeting: Dr Galib Abdulaliyev (Vice-President of the Regional Commission for Europe) / Ketí Margariti (Secretary General of the Regional Commission for Europe)

Rapporteur: Secretariat of the Platform (WOAH Sub-Regional Representation in Brussels).

Day 1, Wednesday, 7 October 2026		
Time	Topics	Speakers
09:30	Welcome - opening remarks	IZS Teramo Dr Galib Abdulaliyev Vice President WOAH Regional Commission for Europe Lajos Bognar WOAH SRR Brussels
Implementation of 4 th Action Plan		
09:45	Summary of implementation of the SG25 follow-up actions	T. Grudnik WOAH SRR Brussels
	Slaughter of animals	Platform Secretariat
10:45- 11:00	Coffee break	
	Dog population management	Platform Secretariat
	Transport of animals	Platform Secretariat
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	
	Natural disaster management	Platform Secretariat
	Welfare of working equids	Platform Secretariat
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee break	
Next Action Plan		
15:45 – 16:15	5 th Action Plan (2027 – 2029 proposal (including feedback from 32 nd Conference of Regional Commission and meeting of national focal point on animal welfare	Platform Secretariat
16:15 – 17.30	Discussion	Platform Secretariat / All
17:30	Wrap up and end of the day	
19:30	Official dinner offered by IZS Teramo	

Day 2: Thursdays, 8 th October 2026		
Governance of the Platform		
9:30 – 10:00	Governance of the Platform	Platform Secretariat
	Financial report 2026	Ingrid Contreras Arias WOAH Engagement and Investment Department
Coordination on animal welfare in the region and globally		
10:00 – 10:15	Global WOAHA animal welfare activities	WOAH HQ
10:15 – 10:30	EU livestock strategy and animal welfare activities – latest developments	European Commission
10:30 – 11:00	Discussion	
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break	
11:15 – 12:00	Update on general WOAHA Collaborating Center activities regarding animal welfare	WOAH Collaborating Centre for Animal Welfare
	Centre for veterinary disaster medicine	SCAW/SLU
	European Partnership for Animal Health and Welfare – animal welfare projects	WOAH Collaborating Centre for Animal Welfare
Conclusions and next steps		
12:00	AOB, main conclusions, next meeting date and location	Platform Secretariat
	Closing remarks	Dr Galib Abdulaliyev Vice President WOAHA Regional Commission
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	
	Departures	