**Training Courses on:**

Animal welfare at slaughter of cattle, pigs, sheep and goats (advanced level) (C6)

Animal welfare during transport (advanced level) (C7)

Animal welfare in poultry production (chickens kept for meat production) (C5)

Animal welfare in pig production (C2)

**Subject: Invitation letter to participate in the courses C2, C5, C6 and C7 of the Service Contract CHAFEA/2016/96/06**

Dear **Better Training for Safer Food** National Contact Point,

The European Commission **Directorate-General for Health and Consumers** is organising a set of **12** training courses in the **Animal Welfare** field for the period **2018-2019**, as part of the **Better Training for Safer Food** Initiative:

* 3 editions of the course on Animal welfare in **poultry production** (chickens kept for meat production)
* 3 editions of the course on Animal welfare in **pig production**
* 1 edition of the course on Animal welfare at **slaughter and killing for depopulation purposes** (basic level)
* 1 edition of the course on Animal welfare at **slaughter of cattle, pigs, sheep and goats** (advanced level)
* 1 edition of the course on Animal welfare at **poultry slaughter**
* 1 edition of the course on Animal welfare **during transport (basic level)**
* 2 editions of the course on Animal welfare **during transport (advanced level).**

A number of seats have been allocated to each country for each training session. Please find below details of your interest concerning the forthcoming training sessions of this articulated programme:

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| Sessions | Dates | Location | Language | Registration Deadline | Quota |
| 1st edition of the course on Animal welfare at slaughter of cattle, pigs, sheep and goats (advanced level) | 19/02/2019 - 22/02/2019 | Barcelona, Spain | English | ***14/12/2018*** | 1 |
| 1st edition of the course on Animal welfare during transport (advanced level) | 12/03/2019 – 15/03/2019 | Perugia, Italy | English | ***14/01/2019*** | 1 |
| 2nd edition of the course on Animal welfare in poultry production (chickens kept for meat production) | 14/05/2019 - 17/05/2019 | Harderwijk, Netherlands | English | ***14/02/2019*** | 1 |
| 2nd edition of the course on Animal welfare in pig production | 11/06/2019 – 14/06/2019 | Herning, Denmark | English | ***14/02/2019*** | 1 |
| 2nd edition of the course on Animal welfare during transport (advanced level) | 17/09/2019 - 20/09/2019 | Münster, Germany | English | ***14/06/2019*** | 1 |
| 3rd edition of the course on Animal welfare in poultry production (chickens kept for meat production) | 15/10/2019 – 18/10/2019 | Harderwijk, Netherlands | English | ***28/06/2019*** | 1 |
| 3rd edition of the course on Animal welfare in pig production | 12/11/2019 – 15/11/2019 | Oldenburg, Germany | English | ***28/06/2019*** | 1 |

We would kindly ask you to nominate your participant(s) and return the completed Training Application Form(s) of the selected delegate(s) to us by email **at your earliest convenience but no later than the deadlines indicated in the table above.**

A presentation of the course dedicated to Animal welfare at slaughter of cattle, pigs, sheep and goats (advanced level), Animal welfare in poultry production (chickens kept for meat production), Animal welfare in pig production and Animal welfare during transport (advanced level) is enclosed to this letter (Annex 1).

Please note that they are intended for Officials and National Competent Authorities Staff with the following profiles:

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| Professional Profiles |
| Veterinarians |
| Agricultural Engineers |

Working in the following Area:

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| Area of Activity |
| Zoosanitary Control Institutions |

*The advanced course on Animal welfare at slaughter of cattle, pigs, sheep and goats (advanced level) is open only to the participants who have successfully followed the BTSF e-learning training module on the same subject and/or participated in a BTSF basic level course on animal welfare at slaughter.*

*The advanced course on Animal welfare during transport (advanced level) is open only to the participants who have successfully followed the BTSF basic level course on animal welfare during transport.*

These Officials must be approved by and be under control of the correspondent National Competent Authority.

Participants will be requested to **commit themselves to disseminate the knowledge** received via different dissemination methods. Please note that applicants will have **to take a test** (*Knowledge Questionnaire*) during the training session. The purpose is not to evaluate their knowledge but to evaluate the efficacy of the training. These questionnaires will be anonymous. In addition to this, applicants will have **to fill in a *Dissemination Questionnaire*** after the training session.

The training session will be conducted in English. Please, make sure that each nominated participant has a good working level of English in order to participate actively in each activity.

**DG SANTE / Chafea** will cover the expenses for flights, accommodation, meals and field visits in full. No daily allowance will be paid on top of this. Any other costs are to be paid by the participants. The training courses will be organised by an external contractor: **Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale dell'Abruzzo e del Molise "G. Caporale (IZSAM)**, in partnership with Università degli Studi di Milano (UNIMI). IZSAM will contact the participants for the practical arrangements.

All further information should be channelled through **National Contact Points**. This is particularly important regarding applications for participation in a training courses, as they can only be officially submitted to the contractor through the intermediary of National Contact Points. All candidates must be experts with a professional background highly relevant to the subject of this training session.

CHAFEA prepared a unified application form, which shall be used for all CHAFEA BTSF contracts concerning training courses for EU Member States. The registration of participants in the above mentioned courses should be made Via **MicrosoftTM** Excel application form. In the Excel form (please refer to Annex 2 to this letter), the sheet "**Form**" must be filled in with the data of the applicant by the NCP or the applicant.



Should you have any further queries, please, contact the appointed event manager:

Animal welfare at slaughter of cattle, pigs, sheep and goats (advanced level) (C6) Session 1

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**Animal welfare during transport (advanced level) (C7) Session 1**

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Animal welfare in poultry production (chickens kept for meat production) (C5) Session 2

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Animal welfare in pig production (C2) Session 2

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**Animal welfare during transport (advanced level) (C7) Session 2**

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Animal welfare in poultry production (chickens kept for meat production) (C5) Session 3

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Animal welfare in pig production (C2) Session 3

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