

EUROGROUP FOR ANIMALS



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Long Distance Transport of live animals

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CONTEXT

Each year at least 1 billion poultry and 37 million live cattle, pigs, sheep, goats and equines are transported within the EU and to third countries.

Animals often travel very long distances, often thousands of kilometers, on journeys that can last of several days, before reaching their final destinations

The “8-hours campaign” managed to collect more than 1.1 million



The Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 was due to be implemented by all Member States from January 2007 and it was expected to improve the situation of the animals transported each year in the EU, but

- **no legal maximum limit to journey times;**
- **breaches of the EC Regulation No. 1/2005 occur regularly:**
 - **lorries are not fit for transport:** drinkers and ventilation system not working; transport certificates missing, false or expired; procedures not transparent and lorries not always stop to the rest stops; journey logs not realistic.
 - **animal welfare deficits:** stress and injuries due to the lack of space; exhaustion and dehydration; aggression due to the mixture of unknown animals of different sex and age; death.



EUROGROUP FOR ANIMALS launched a Campaign for ending long distance transport of live animals

A campaign poster for Eurogroup for Animals. The background is a dark, grainy image of a road at night with headlights illuminating the path. A prominent red horizontal band across the middle contains the text '# StopTheTrucks' in white, bold, sans-serif font. Below this band, the text 'End long distance transport of live animals.' is written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. In the bottom right corner, the logo 'EUROGROUP FOR ANIMALS' is displayed in white, with 'EUROGROUP' above 'FOR ANIMALS'. In the bottom left corner, there is a small line of text: 'With special thanks to the animal welfare organisations who have provided the footage used for this video: Copyright @Dierenbescherming @LWF @New Pfoten @Cyes on Animals @Animal Welfare Foundation @Tierschutzbund Zürich'.



Replace the transport of breeding animals by that of semen and the transport of slaughter animals by that of carcasses and meat;

Reduce the duration of transport of livestock (maximum of 8 hours.);

Refine the remaining live animals transport for instance by stricter judging fitness for transport and improving the transport conditions.

Eurogroup for animals calls for a **revision of the EU Transport Regulation (EC) 1/2005** and for a **socio-economic impact assessment of the negative consequences of long distance transports.**



- ❖ In 2014 three EU Member States - Denmark, the Netherlands, Germany - have officially sent to the EC an official request for a revision of the EU Transport Regulation 1/2005; in 2015 Sweden has joined them;
- ❖ A website has been created <http://www.stophetrucks.eu/en/> : Investigations on transport conditions are reported and the political as well as market landscape is described;
- ❖ Governments from the other 24 EU Member States are requested to support the revision of the Transport Regulation .



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Eurogroup for Animals' Members active in this campaign



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Thanks for your attention!

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