"Animal welfare: a barrier to trade?

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Animal Welfare in the EU...

1974
Animals are goods

1997
Animals are sentient beings

2009
Pay full regard to animal welfare in policies on Agriculture, Fisheries, Transport, Internal market, research and technology
Enlargement of the EU
The World Trade Organization (WTO) deals with rules of trade between nations. Its main goal is to ensure that trade flows as predictably and freely as possible.
Welfare at slaughter
Welfare during transport
Welfare of laying hens

1999

New farms

Transitional period for existing farms

2012 deadline
Welfare of sows

- 2003: New farms
- Transitional period for existing farms: 2013 deadline
Regulation (EC) No 1523/2007 banning the placing on the market and the import of cat and dog fur.
To reduce the barriers in future

- reinforcing on-going EU activities
- inform the public
- international cooperation
Thanks for your attention