

I EU-Chile Sanitary and Phytosanitary Subcommittee

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Draft Minutes

1. Welcome and introduction of delegations

The EU and CL delegations were introduced.

2. Review and approval of the agenda

CL requested to include an AOB under item 8: “Technical Assistance/ Cooperation on Disease Eradication: Bovine Brucellosis.”

The EU agreed to include the proposed item, and the agenda was approved.

3. Export of agricultural products from EU Member States to Chile

3.1. Definition of the procedure to be followed for exports from the EU to CL applications of agricultural products in a standardized and prioritized manner

The parties agreed that, unless otherwise indicated, the prioritization of market opening requests made by the EU to CL will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis.

CL requested that market opening requests from EU Member States are routed through the European Commission, instead of receiving them bilaterally.

The EU requested that CL consider the possibility of making the list of sector openings by Member State public.

3.2. Products of animal origin - state of play and prioritization of requests

The parties reviewed the pending applications for the market opening of products of animal origin from the EU Member States to CL.

CL will send to the EU the list of pending applications, indicating the date of receipt of each application.

3.3. Products of plant origin – state of play

The parties reviewed the pending requests for the opening of the market for products of plant origin.

Regarding the pending request to export apples from the EU Member States to CL, the EU requested that progress continue on this matter. The EU will send comments to CL on the "Operational Plan for the import of fresh apples from the EU Member States to Chile."

3.4. Information about the import conditions of Chile for poultry meat from vaccinated poultry

The EU expressed interest in learning about the current situation regarding the importation of vaccinated poultry meat to CL.

CL reported that, in general, it is prohibited to import vaccinated poultry meat into Chile. Chilean Regulation 4935/2025 establishes the possibility of importing vaccinated poultry meat from countries whose vaccination plan has been favorably evaluated by the SAG. Following this favorable evaluation, CL and the country in question agree on a specific export certificate. The rest of the countries remain covered by the harmonized export certificate for EU poultry meat to Chile.

4. Export of agricultural products from Chile to EU Member States

4.1. Bee packages in transit

CL requested the evaluation of its application to transit bee packages through the EU. To this end, Chile proposes a declaration to accompany the shipments, which aims to standardize the physical containment measures of the bee packages in air shipments, as well as the documentation associated with the export process.

The EU took note of this request, and committed to evaluate it and to explore how to proceed on this matter.

5. Verifications

5.1. Planned audits from Chile to the EU

CL indicated that it has no audits planned in the EU Member States. In terms of center recognition, CL has some visits planned to the EU: one to Italy, two to France, and one possibly to the Netherlands.

5.2. Planned audits from the EU to Chile

The EU indicated that it has no audits planned in Chile.

Additionally, the EU reported that DG SANTE develops and publishes an annual work program, which includes a detailed list of audits and other controls planned in the areas of food and feed safety, food quality, animal health, animal welfare, plant health, and

certain areas of human health. Since changes in the program may occur due to resource availability, risk modifications, or emerging issues, an update of the list of planned controls for the period from July to December is usually presented in June. This program is published at:

[Work programmes - Food Safety - European Commission](#)

6. Certification

6.1. State of play of the update of export harmonized certificates from the EU to Chile

The EU thanked CL for taking into consideration the comments sent for the update of the harmonized certificate for the export of EU beef to CL. The EU will formally respond to the letter sent by CL confirming the acceptance of the comments, in order to start using the updated certificate.

The parties reviewed the pending harmonized certificates that need updating, as well as the new proposals for certificate harmonization. The EU will send comments on the proposed/updated certificates for other product categories.

7. Information exchange

7.1. Contact points and functions for exchanges in SPS matters

The parties exchanged updated points of contact for exchanges on sanitary and phytosanitary matters. Chile will send to the EU in a written form a list of updated contact points in the different services of the Chilean administration.

8. Technical assistance and cooperation

8.1. Request for technical assistance: traceability.

CL requested technical assistance in traceability, both in general and more specifically for equines. Currently, CL has a herd traceability system, except for cattle, where they identify the animals individually. In general, CL requests technical assistance to review its traceability system.

More specifically for horses, CL is working to move from herd identification to individual identification. With this change, individual identification of horses will be mandatory nationwide. CL requests training related to microchips, legislation, computer systems, how to record movements, and the limits of information sharing (information privacy).

CL will send this request to the EU in more detail by letter. The EU takes note of the request and awaits the receipt of the letter.

8.2. Overview of Chile's participation in BTSF, and identification of areas for participation in the future.

The EU informed CL that during 2026 there are two planned workshops in which CL will be able to participate: a regional workshop on CODEX Alimentarius, and a regional workshop on the import regime for food of animal origin.

Additionally, the EU informed CL about new online trainings offered by BTSF, with particular interest in training on the use of TRACES for non-European countries, and on the production and trade of bivalve mollusks. The EU invited CL to consult the BTSF online training catalog and take part in the training sessions they consider appropriate.

8.3. Technical Assistance/ Cooperation on Disease Eradication: Bovine Brucellosis

Chile requested technical assistance for the eradication of bovine brucellosis. CL is close to achieving eradication. Given the EU's experience in this regard, CL requested cooperation and the establishment of a point of contact for this purpose. CL will send this request to the EU by letter. The EU took note of the request and awaits the receipt of the letter.

9. Any other business (AOB)

The Parties agreed to establish an Action Plan with the actions identified during this Subcommittee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary matters.

The Action Plan is included in Annex I.

Annex I. ACTION PLAN

1. **Export of products of animal origin from the EU to Chile.** Chile will send the list of pending market access applications for EU products to enter Chile, indicating the order in which CL received the application. The EU will confirm the acceptance of this order of the priority for Chile to evaluate market access applications.
2. **Export of products of animal origin from the EU to Chile.** Chile will explore the possibility to make publicly available the market openings granted to the EU per category and per EU Member State.
3. **Export of products of plan origin from the EU to Chile.** The EU will send comments to the operational plan on apples submitted by Chile. The EU will confirm the order of priority of pending market access requests.
4. **Transit of bee packages from Chile through the EU.** The EU takes note of the request to transit bee packages from Chile through the EU, will evaluate this request, and will explore how to proceed in this matter.
5. **Update of harmonized certificates.** The EU will respond to Chile SAG Letter 9103-2025 on the certificate to export beef from the EU to CL. The EU will send comments to the proposed/updated certificates for other categories of products.
6. **Information exchange.** Chile will send to the EU a list of updated contact points in the different services of the Chilean administration.
7. **Technical assistance and cooperation.** Chile will send to the EU details of the topics in which Chile would like to receive technical assistance. The EU will explore the possibility to establish a contact point for Chile to exchange on traceability and brucellosis.