



Animal Health ETT

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- A national and international operating association based in Seinäjoki, Finland
- Established by producers and companies in the food industry when Finland joined the EU
- Maintained by Finnish dairies, slaughterhouses and egg-packers
- Effectively networked nationally and internationally

Duties

- Duties include promoting the health and welfare of food-producing animals by coordinating national animal health care and steering import of production animals as well as their embryos, semen and feeds so as to control the risk of disease
- Sharing information on preventive measures related to animal diseases
- Monitoring the status of animal diseases in Finland and elsewhere
- Consultation related to eradication of infectious diseases
- Developing insurance schemes against animal diseases
- Maintaining and developing activities related to the positive list of animal-feed companies. The positive list is an open list of animal feed companies, which fulfil additional criteria to ensure the safety of their products.
- National and international collaboration with companies in the sector
- Acting as a practical expert in national working groups and projects in the sector
- Coordinating national animal health care for cattle, pigs and poultry
- Sikava: health classification register for swine herds
- Naseva: national health care register for cattle farms

Operating mission

The association promotes the health and welfare of food-producing animals by coordinating national animal health care and steering the import of production animals as well as their embryos, semen and feeds. These actions help to control the risks of animal diseases and lay a foundation for the safety of Finnish animal-based foodstuffs.



The association's management

The annual meeting of the association selects the board of directors of ETT every year.

ETT's executive committee 2016–2017:

Chairman Juha Nousiainen, Valio Ltd

Members

Ann-Charlott Kjerp, Valio Ltd

Ari Mäkelä, Valio Ltd

Sami Kilpeläinen, Arla Ltd

Olli Paakkala, HKScan Finland Ltd

Taneli Tirkkonen, A-Farmers Ltd / Osuuskunta Pohjanmaan Liha

Tomas Gäddnäs, Snellmanin Lihanjalostus Oy

Hanna Hamina, DAVA Foods Finland, Kieku Ltd, Kurjessuon Munapakkaamo

Deputy members

Kristiina Sarjokari, Valio Ltd

Jaana Kiljunen, Valio Ltd

Anu Autere, Ruhan Meijeri Ky (Arla Group)

Leena Pohjola, HKScan Finland Ltd

Tuomas Herva, A-Farmers Ltd / Osuuskunta Pohjanmaan Liha

Kirsi Partanen, Snellmanin Lihanjalostus Oy

Pekka Wiro, A-Farmers Ltd / Atria Chick Ltd

The association's practical operations are the responsibility of the executive director, Pirjo Kortnesniemi.

ETT's veterinary advisors are Olli Ruoho and Hannele Nauholz, while Marketta Rantala is responsible for administration.

The veterinary advisor for Naseva is Erja Tuunainen and the register is the responsibility of Paula Halkosaari.

Sikava's operations are the responsibility of veterinary advisor Ina Toppari and the register is the responsibility of Sari Hintikka.

The association operates in two offices, in Seinäjoki and Lievestuore.

