

This scenario prioritises the well-being of animals by allowing them to exercise their agency and give them the opportunity to make choices in their environment. It emphasises ethical treatment and humane conditions for livestock.

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## Key Policy Recommendations

<b>Maximisation of Positive Animal Experiences</b>	Focus on maximising positive experiences of animals throughout the value chain.
<b>Redesign of Livestock Systems</b>	Redesign livestock systems at the farm level, during transport, and at slaughter to create conditions conducive to positive animal experiences.
<b>Adherence to Welfare Quality Principles</b>	Ensure adherence to Welfare Quality principles including Good Feeding, Good Housing, Good Health, and Appropriate Behaviour.
<b>Decrease in Intensity</b>	Transition towards less intensive livestock farming systems.
<b>Species-Specific Feed</b>	Provide feed that allows species-specific foraging and reflects natural and diverse diets.
<b>Decrease in Stocking Densities</b>	Overall stocking densities will decrease, promoting better animal welfare.
<b>Reduction in Live Animal Transport</b>	Reduce the need for live animal transport between farms by combining breeding and rearing activities on the same farm.
<b>Promotion of Slow-Growing, Multi-Purpose Breeds</b>	Encourage the use of slow-growing, multi-purpose breeds adapted to different conditions to promote resilience.
<b>Use of Precision Livestock Farming (PLF)</b>	Increase use of PLF techniques for individual monitoring and care.
<b>Heterogeneous Landscape</b>	Create a more heterogeneous landscape through outdoor access, grazing, and introduction of trees, shrubs, or hedges for shelter.
<b>Decentralisation of Abattoirs</b>	Relative decentralisation of abattoirs to reduce distances and time in transit for live animal transport.
<b>Restructuring of Slaughter Methods</b>	Restructure slaughter methods for pigs and poultry towards more humane practices.
<b>Decreased Production and Increased Prices</b>	Expect a decrease in production leading to increased prices for livestock products and lower consumption.
<b>Protection of European Market</b>	Protect the European market against lower-standard imports to maintain standards.
<b>Consequences for Cropping Systems</b>	Expect consequences for cropping systems including reduced manure collection, reduction in growth of certain feeds, and need to replace animal protein with more plant protein.

## Questions for Discussion

1. How can we ensure that high animal welfare standards are maintained throughout the entire livestock production process, from farming to slaughter?
2. What are the most effective strategies for encouraging farmers to transition towards less intensive livestock farming systems while maintaining profitability?
3. How can precision livestock farming techniques be integrated into existing livestock operations to enhance individual animal monitoring and care?
4. What role can consumers play in driving demand for products derived from animals raised under high welfare standards, and how can this demand be effectively communicated?
5. How can policymakers support the implementation of high animal welfare standards while ensuring the competitiveness of European livestock producers in the global market?

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