

## Company announcement no 6/2018

## African Swine Fever at Skabeikiai Farm in Lithuania

This afternoon we got information from the state laboratory, that Skabeikiai Farm have been infected by African Swine Fever (ASF)

After registration of higher mortality of pigs in the Skabeikiai Farm the State Food and Veterinary Service (SFVS) were immediately informed about the suspicion of African Swine Fever (ASF). Final diagnose has just been confirmed by SFVS.

Idavang collaborates with State officials and provide all the information requested. Immediately employees have been informed about the most important decisions. All pigs on the farm unfortenately have to be utillized. The herd consist of about 20 thousand pigs and the herd is insured.

The Skabeikiai farm is an integrated farm with 1200 sows and annual sale of 40.000 pigs. The farm is 5 percent of Idavangs annual production volume.

Darius Rameika, Director of the State Food and Veterinary Service, emphasized that the company pays special attention to biosecurity and takes all the precautions to dismiss the possible entry of the virus into the farm area

"Food and Veterinary Service experts were utterly surprised that the infection was spreading to a pig farm, that uses such a responsible biosecurity measures" - said Mr. Rameika.

At the moment our main concern, attention and thoughts are focused on the employees and pigs on the farm.

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