Main outcomes of the first two National Workshops in Greece

In the context of TechCare project, two National Workshops (NWs) took place in Greece during last year (2021). The main objective for the 1st NW was to prioritize the main welfare issues in the value chain of small ruminants' farming at national level. The 2nd NW was focused on the evaluation of the Precision

Livestock Farming (PLF) tools that can tackle those welfare issues. The main welfare issues that were recognized by the Greek stakeholders during the 1st NW were: housing & environmental conditions, lameness, and malnutrition for dairy sheep farming. For dairy goat farming, the main welfare issues were: food competition, insufficient bedding, and mastitis. During the 2nd NW, the Greek stakeholders regarded weather and air quality sensors, electronic milk meter, and EID reader (UHF) – RFID as favourable PLF tools that can tackle welfare issues in the value chains of both dairy sheep and goats. The

opinion of the TechCare stakeholders is considered of high importance in the TechCare project towards the adoption of PLF tools in the small ruminants' value chain.