

Acceptability of African Swine Fever control measures among pig farmers - a participatory approach

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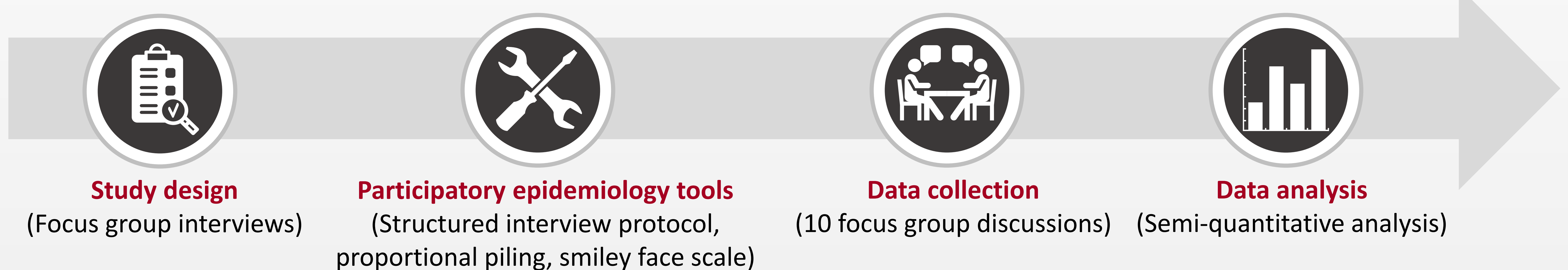
Background:

ASF introduction and transmission to the pig sector can be prevented by compliance with control measures that are designed to eliminate the disease. The quality of their implementation may depend upon the stakeholders' acceptability of various ASF control measures.

Aim:

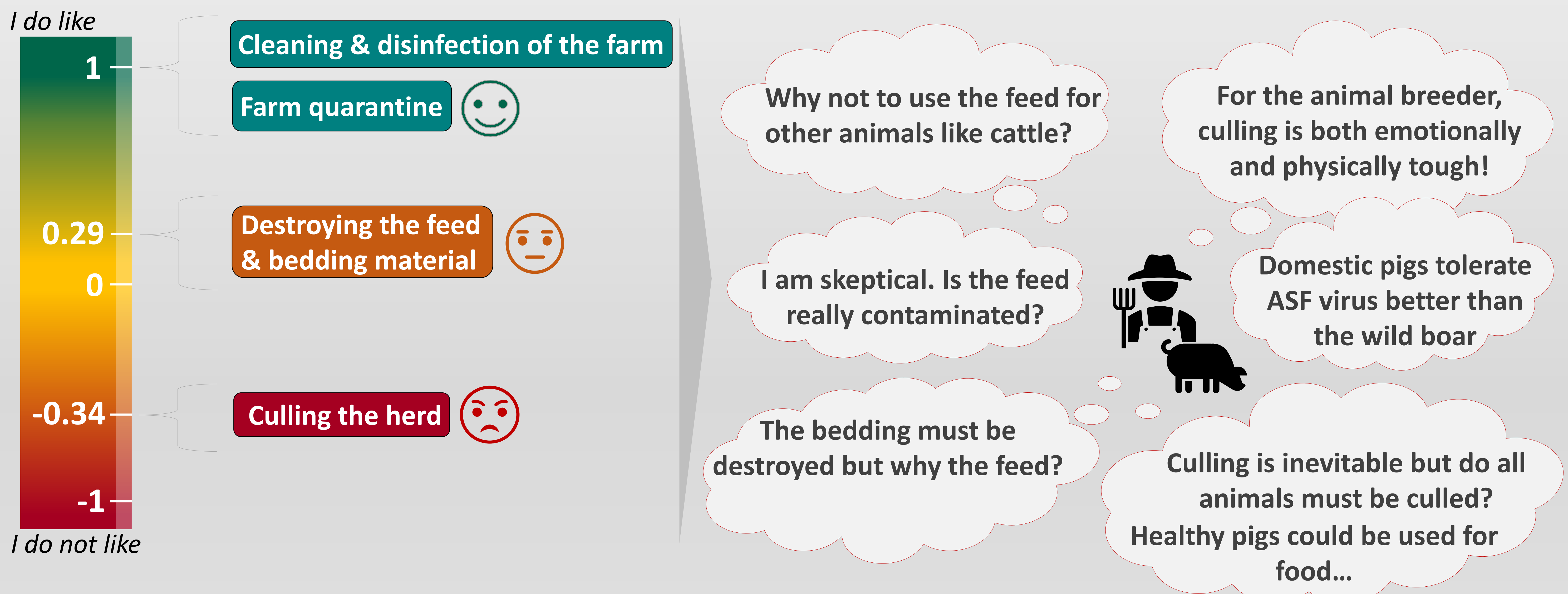
To study acceptance of ASF control measures by pig keepers in Estonia.

Materials & Methods:



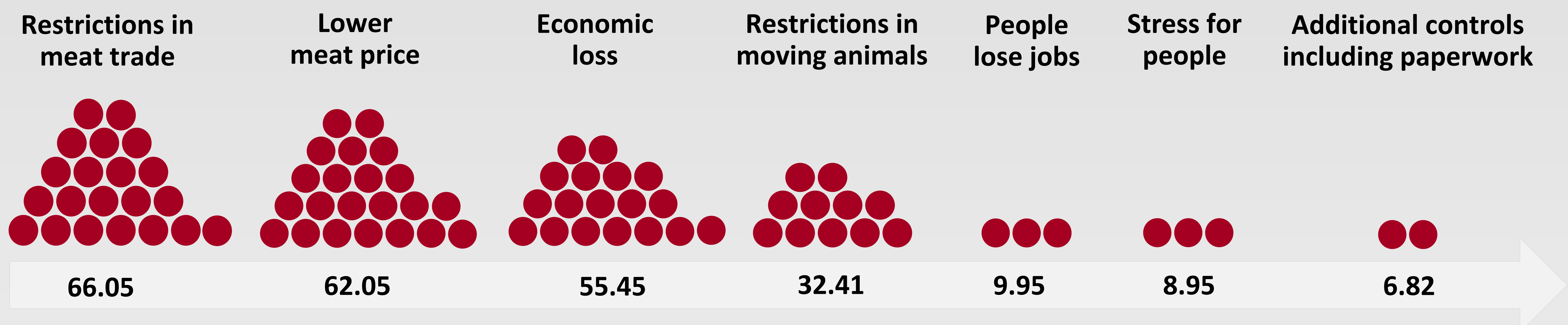
Results:

Acceptability of farm-level ASF control measures



Acceptability of farm consequences due to regional restrictions

Consequences mentioned by the participants and rated by the weighted sum of their impact on farmers:



Conclusion:

- ✓ Certain control measures implied in outbreak herds and regionally are not acceptable by farmers.
- ✓ For the least acceptable control measures more explaining and communication are required.
- ✓ Targeted economic support from the government to compensate losses due to ASF would increase the acceptability of control measures.

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