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Are technological or efficiency differences more pronounced between Hungarian and Polish poultry farms? A stochastic meta-frontier analysis

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Table S1. Technical efficiency, metafrontier and metatechnology ratio

| Measures | Poland | | | | Hungary | | | | PL/HU | M-W test | Median test |
|----------|--------|------|------|------|---------|------|------|------|-------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | mean | SD | min | max | mean | SD | min | max | ratio | <i>P</i> -value | <i>P</i> -value |
| TGR | 0.94 | 0.06 | 0.72 | 1.00 | 0.90 | 0.08 | 0.50 | 1.00 | 1.04 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| TE | 0.85 | 0.07 | 0.54 | 0.97 | 0.81 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.96 | 1.05 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| MTE | 0.79 | 0.10 | 0.39 | 0.97 | 0.72 | 0.11 | 0.07 | 0.96 | 1.10 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

TGR — meta technology ratio; TE — technical efficiency to the country frontier; MTE — technical efficiency to the meta frontier; PL/HU ratio — ratio of the mean of the examined measures between Poland and Hungary; M-W — test statistics and associated P-value of a Mann-Whitney test; corresponding test statistics are available on request from the authors Source: Author's own study based on FADN data (https://agridata.ec.europa.eu/extensions/FarmEconomyFocus/FADN-Database.html

Table S2. Returns to scale test

| Country | Coefficient | SE | z | P > z | 95% confidence interval | |
|---------|-------------|------|-------|-------|-------------------------|------|
| Poland | 1.06 | 0.03 | 36.31 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.11 |
| Hungary | 1.05 | 0.02 | 56.05 | 0.00 | 1.01 | 1.08 |

We tested whether the linear combination of the parameter estimates of the applied frontier models are equal to one. The test clearly shows that the production exhibits increasing return to scale.

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