We launch a brand-new service for the animal science network: the Study Commission website!

The scientific backbone of EAAP is the eleven Study Commissions (SCs) and each of them gather, for specific themes, a group of animal scientists. They are both “theme” Study Commissions (Nutrition, Genetic, Livestock Farming System, Physiology, Health and Welfare, Precision Livestock Farming) and “species” Study Commissions (Cattle, Horse, Pig, Sheep and Goat, Insects). They are responsible for the scientific program of the annual meeting and, more in general, to create a network of animal scientists interested in the same topic and area.

To facilitate the expansion of the networks and to keep updated about the activities of each of the SCs, EAAP launches the Study Commissions website.

The first to be created is the Insect Study Commission: [http://www.eaap.org/insectsc](http://www.eaap.org/insectsc).

Website created by the members of the SCs chaired by Teun Veldkamp, a scientist from Wageningen University.

Teun and the Insect SC members know that animal scientists interested in the same topic might not always be aware about the activities they undertake. They also wish to inform about the latest developments in this discipline: current research activities, meetings, news, etc. A well-developed website provides tremendous benefits. A simple benefit like: “the website is also always accessible” is often underestimated. Moreover, the SCs websites can be visible worldwide, and that fits well in the current international scientific network.

We also believe that a website can be the “center of aggregation” for a scientific group. It can work like in the ancient Greek times the “agora”, and in Roman time the “forum”. Those were the venues where everyone could go to discuss, exchange ideas and information, in one word - networking. The role taken in the past by those physical venues is nowadays taken by the website.

Andrea Rosati
**Council and Scientific Committee meetings**

On March 22nd - 24th the EAAP Council and Scientific Committee had four different meetings. The first meeting held on March 22nd was that of the Scientific Committee: many decisions were taken aiming mainly to organize the scientific program of the next annual meeting to be held in Tallinn. The Presidents of the Study Commissions met with the EAAP Vice-President for Science, Mike Coffey, and the Secretary of the Scientific Committee, Geoff Pollott. Based on the received abstracts the draft scientific program was outlined. The next step will be to examine more in details the abstracts and deciding those that will be accepted for theatre presentation and those that will be accepted as posters and finally those that will not accepted. The final scientific program for Tallinn will be ready in June, but in a few weeks the almost final program will be presented.

In the same day there was the meeting of the Ways and Means Committee chaired by the Vice-President for Ways and Means, Zdravko Barac. The meeting discussed changes in the EAAP by-laws as well as some EAAP organizational and administrative matters.

On March 23rd there was the big Joint Meeting with all Council members and Presidents of Study Commissions. This meeting was mainly dedicated to exchange information about reciprocal activities of the two EAAP bodies. This meeting is extremely important for a better coordination of the EAAP management by the Council and of the scientific activities by the Scientific Committee. Among the joint decision that were taken, there was the 2017 Leroy Fellowship that this year was assigned to Dr. Lutz Bunger. In the next Newsletter we will give more information about this important decision.

After the Joint meeting, there was the Council meeting in which the strategic plan objectives for this year were discussed and outlined, to put our organization in the best condition to fulfil the goals set up by the General Assembly. The administrative accounts for 2016 were also shown and discussed. The preliminary account (before the official auditing) shows that EAAP is properly managing the given resources allowing also to have a good amount of reserves. In August Zdravko Barac, Vice-President of EAAP, will end his terms of office and therefore the General Assembly will be called to elect a new Council member. Proposals were discussed by the Council and one candidate will be put forward to the General Assembly. Other operational activities were also discussed, like the publications and the participation to EU projects. Finally the Council elected the 2017 Distinguished Service Awards.

**The new website of the Insects Study Commission is ready!**

EAAP has the goal to facilitate the creation of websites for Study Commissions and Working Groups. The first of this kind is for the brand new Study Commission on Insects! You can look at the website here: [http://www.eaap.org/insectsc](http://www.eaap.org/insectsc). The website is a very important tool to manage the activities of the group, and also to increase its visibility. The members of the Insects Study Commission believe that the website is a very important tool to create a network that characterize the European animal scientists dealing with insects as food and feed. The final goal of the Insects SC and EAAP is that everyone dealing with insects should consider this website as their main source of information, in order to create a strong network of scientists around the website. We are waiting for you at [http://www.eaap.org/insectsc](http://www.eaap.org/insectsc).

**Register to the exciting new Academy Workshop organized by EAAP**

EAAP in cooperation with Adisseo organizes a workshop on Animal Nutrition in Barcelona next May named “Advancia Academy”. The website of the workshop is [http://advancia.eaap.org](http://advancia.eaap.org).
Adisseo and EAAP are making big efforts to organize a very interesting workshop that will last one and a half day, on May 7th and 8th 2017. The meeting will be organized at SB Hotel Diagonal Zero, Barcelona. World-known invited speakers will share scientific papers and will effectively contribute to the dialogue between industry and scientific research. Some of the invited speakers are: Mike Kidd, Joaquim Brufau, Peter Surai, Gonzales Mateos, Knud Erik Bach Knudsen, Sergio Vieira, Cècile Berri, Massimiliano Petracci, Mario Estevez, Richard Ducatelle, Mingan Choct, Filip Van Immersel, Theo Niewold. The sessions will be entirely dedicated to cutting edge Animal Nutrition topics:

1. Transforming feedstuffs into digestible nutrients;
2. The final objective: producing desirable meat;
3. Feeding the birds or the bugs, toward Nutrition Ecology. Mark your calendars!

**EAAP PEOPLE PORTRAIT**

**Joanne Conington**

Dr. Joanne (Jo) Conington manages the EAAP Study Commission on Sheep and Goats. She is an Associate Professor (Reader) in Applied Livestock Genetics in the Animal and Veterinary Sciences research group, at Scotland’s Rural College (SRUC, previously known as SAC). Her research is focused on the development of new, broader breeding goals for multi-trait breeding programmes incorporating aspects of disease resistance and maternal efficiency. Her current research is mostly undertaken in collaboration with industry partners investigating genetic and genomic approaches to breed for resistance to mastitis in sheep and goats, foot-rot and internal parasites in sheep, lamb survival and ewe longevity. Jo leads the Sheep and Goat Genetics and Genomics (SGGG) research team at SRUC and lectures to under- and post-graduate students at SRUC and the University of Edinburgh. She advises the UK Government on animal breeding issues relating to animal welfare, as a member of the Farm Animal Welfare Committee. Moreover, she works in the sheep meat expert committee of ICAR and is a member of the British Society of Animal Science (BSAS) Scientific and Innovation Committee.

Jo took an unusual path into livestock genetics: actually, she previously worked in industry as a sheep specialist for the Meat and Livestock Commission (now AHDB) in the UK, supporting sheep farmers that participate in the UK’s formal genetic improvement programme, as well as undertaking commercial consultancy. This was a natural progression after having spent a few years working as a livestock specialist in Bolivia, South America, which followed two years of practical farming experience including working as a shepherdess for a large commercial flock after leaving Newcastle University.

Jo completed an MSc in Animal Production Science in 1990 from the University of Aberdeen, and a decade later she did a PhD part-time at Edinburgh University, whilst continuing to work for SAC. She graduated with a PhD in animal breeding, specializing herself in the development of selection indices for hill sheep, whilst being knee-deep in nappies.

Jo believes that having a solid understanding of farming and livestock has underpinned the direction of her research, focusing on genetic aspects for more efficient systems rather than maximising yields to generate higher incomes through livestock breeding. “Focusing on the number of lambs reared, rather than litter size born was a ‘no brainer’ for me, when new hill sheep breeding goals were
agreed back in 2000" she said. “Reducing lamb losses from conception to weaning has been a major driver for my work which has now culminated in the delivery of the first EBVs for lamb survival and ewe longevity in the UK in 2017. I am also very proud to have led the research to deliver the first genomic breeding values for small ruminants in the UK, which are currently being implemented in practice in the meat sheep and dairy goat industries.”

Jo lives in the Scottish Borders with her husband Mark. Since their children have left home, Jo enjoys walking, swimming, keeping fit, gardening, knitting and has recently taken up ceramics again. Her new best friend is a 2-year-old Labrador, Rufus (pictured).
All these documents must be sent to Prof. Charlotte Lauridsen (charlotte.lauridsen@anis.au.dk), Prof. Ole Højberg (ole.hojberg@anis.au.dk) and Prof. Paolo Trevisi (paolo.trevisi@unibo.it).

The deadline to apply for the PiGutNet Grant is Monday 1st May 2017. Information regarding granted applications is given to all by 15 June 2017. More information related with the training school programme are available at the dedicated website.

New trials show value of pelleting for pig feed

French researchers have evaluated in 3 trials the effect of pelleting on the nutritional value (energy and proteins) of complete feeds for pigs. It is already known that pelleting of complete feeds does have a positive effect on performance indicators, like average daily gain (ADG), feed conversion ratio (FCR) of piglets and growing pigs. Until now, however, only few references existed on the effects of the pelleting on individual cereals. You can read further information on the results of the trials here.

New course on insect production for food and feed

The courses ‘Insectenproductie voor food en feed’ (in Dutch) and “Insect Production for Food and Feed” (in English) are being offered by HAS University of Applied Sciences. At this time, both versions of the course are open for registration. The English-taught course will be held over 5 consecutive days beginning on the 8th of May: you will have a chance to learn about the characteristics of different types of insects and their specific rearing conditions. How to accommodate bugs? What are the best conditions to grow them in? What are the conditions needed to breed insects and what are the costs? These are just a few examples of questions that come to mind when you’re making a start in insect breeding. The course will include practical elements that are necessary for rearing different kinds of insects for food and feed and for the set-up of a (commercial) insect nursery.

If you want to know more about the subjects covered in the “Insect Production for Food and Feed” course or would like registration information, please email to info@insectcentre.com.

INDUSTRY AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

New members in the Agri-Food Chain Coalition

Recently, EFFAB (European Forum of Farm Animal Breeders) and FEFANA (EU Association of Specialty Feed Ingredients and their Mixtures) have joined the Agri-Food Chain Coalition (AFCC). AFCC is a joint initiative representing 13 leading industry associations across the agri-food chain, united in their call for sustainable, solution-orientated and innovative policies that benefit the EU and beyond. Members represent agricultural input industries such as suppliers of machinery, seeds, fertilizers, crop protection, animal health, feed and biotechnology-based products, the agricultural trade, European farmers and their cooperatives and the European food and drink manufacturing sector. Together, these industries account for about 30 million jobs and 3.5% of the EU’s gross value added.

You can see the complete list of AFCC members here.

EU insect meal manufacturers look beyond fish

European insect protein players are aiming to push for regulatory change to allow larvae meal to be used in EU pig and poultry production. You can read more on FeedNavigator.

PUBLICATIONS

New open access publication on PubMed

The results of the article “Genetic diversity and signatures of selection in various goat breeds revealed by genome-wide SNP markers” want to provide a foundation to formulate biological hypotheses related to selection processes in goats.
New open access article on Nature.com

According to the scientific report “Genomic analysis identified a potential novel molecular mechanism for high-altitude adaptation in sheep at the Himalayas”, sheep adaptation to high-altitude environment is believed to be a result of advantageous genetic mutations and selective pressure. You can download the article here.

For further information and applications, please read the vacancy announcement on AnGenMap.

Job opportunity in Aviagen for a full-stack developer

Aviagen is the world leading poultry breeder, providing pedigree lines for the production of broiler chickens. The company is looking for an enthusiastic full-stack developer with experience in integrating a wide range of different backend and frontend systems to support R&D and IT infrastructure and contribute in deploying novel solutions to tackle Big Data challenges. For further information and applications, please read the vacancy announcement on AnGenMap.

PhD positions offered by the Leibniz Institute for Farm Animal Biology (Dummerstorf, Germany)

The Leibniz Institute for Farm Animal Biology (FBN) based in Dummerstorf near Rostock, Germany is offering the following 3 PhD Positions in Aquaculture Genomics and Genetics:

- Position 1: Structural and functional genome and transcriptome analyses in Percidae;
- Position 2: Genomic welfare indicators for Percidae farming in aquaculture;
- Position 3: Percidae bioinformatics and quantitative genetics based on genome and family structures.

For further information and applications, please read the vacancy announcement on AnGenMap.

Full Professorship offered by the Georg-August-Universität Göttingen (Göttingen, Germany)

The Department of Animal Sciences within the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences at the Georg-August-Universität Göttingen invites applications for a Full Professorship in “Sustainable Animal Nutrition”. The successful candidate should conduct innovative animal nutrition research in the fields of continuous advancement of sustainability and of transfer processes along feed and food chains. For further information and applications, please read the vacancy announcement.
Postdoctoral Fellowship and PhD Studentships in Cellular and Molecular Immunology offered by Teagasc and Trinity College Dublin

Teagasc and Trinity College Dublin have developed a strong collaborative “One Health” research program with opportunities at both PhD and postdoctoral levels:

• Postdoctoral scientist and PhD1 for the project “Defining immunophenotypes associated with disease resistance”;
• PhD2 for the project “Functional characterisation of novel antimicrobial and immunomodulatory peptides”.

For further information and applications, please read the vacancy announcement.

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

April 10th – 12th, 2017 in Washington, DC, US

Meeting of the Livestock Research Group (LRG)

The LRG is part of the Global Research Alliance on Agricultural Greenhouse Gases (GRA). LRG is an international group of scientists and policy makers working together to reduce the emissions intensity of livestock production systems and increase soil carbon storage. The next meeting of the LRG will be hosted by the US in Washington DC, on 10-12 April 2017. The event will include a usual two-day meeting plus a field trip to the headquarters of the USDA Agricultural Research Service. If you have any questions, please email: secretariat@globalresearchalliance.org.

May 2017 in Iran

World Goat Day 2017

The International Goat Association (IGA) recently established that the World Goat Day 2017 would be held in Iran. The conference will be titled “A Celebration of the First Domestication of Goats and the Contribution of Goats Today”, and will represent a great opportunity to learn from researchers, producers, processors and other actors active throughout the value chain related to the goat sector. For further information and updates, please visit IGA website.

May 2nd – 3rd, 2017 in Canterbury, UK

2017 Pig Breeders Round Table

Pig Breeders Round Table - to be held at University of Kent in 2017 - is a small, friendly bi-annual meeting
with interesting science and stimulating discussion. It is relevant to international pig research and the industry worldwide, and attracts many delegates from all over Europe, North America and beyond. For further information and registrations, please visit the event webpage.

May 7th – 8th, 2017 in Barcelona, Spain

Advancia Academy Workshop

The Adisseo company, a global leader in animal nutrition whose mission is to provide products and services for animal feed additives with the best guarantee of safety for people and the environment, co-organizes with EAAP a workshop titled: “Advancia - Nutritionist: a challenging job! Feeding an ecosystem to transform feedstuffs into meat”. The workshop will be held in Barcelona on 7th and 8th May 2017. Further information and registrations will be made available on EAAP website and through the next EAAP Newsletters.

May 8th – 12th in Wanze, Belgium

Agrotopia Training Week on Agroecology

Agrotopia, a newly created academy of agroecology, is organising a Training Week on Agroecology from Monday 8 to Friday 12 May 2017. The training will include a conference for a larger public on Monday 8 titled: “Agroecology: a solution to the global agricultural crisis?”. The training will start from the basics of agroecology, but it will then develop specialised aspects related to soil, plant and animal productions, social and economic aspects. It will illustrate a variety of agricultural and food systems. It is thus open to a large public of students, researchers, farmers, advisers, and to all people interested in farming, agro-food systems and agroecology. About half of the programme will be farm and field visits and practical works. These activities will tackle diverse topics such as development and efficiency of ecological infrastructures, soil fertility, biological control, crop, grassland and livestock productions, food processing, social aspects including access to land, and profitability of agroecological systems.

For further information and registrations, please
consult the Agrotopia website.

May 21st – 24th, 2017 in Saint-Malo, France

International Symposium on Emissions of Gas and Dust from Livestock

The 3rd International Symposium on Emissions of Gas and Dust from Livestock (EMILI 2017) will be held on May 2017 in Saint-Malo. EMILI 2017 will be an opportunity to share the latest scientific advances in research on gas (ammonia, GHG, odours) and dust emissions from livestock, and will contribute to provide information that industry and governments need to achieve cost-effective gas. For registering to the symposium and consulting the preliminary program, please visit EMILI 2017 webpage.

May 30th – 31st, 2017 in Zaragoza, Spain

Days on Animal Production (17th Edition)

The conference is organized by AIDA (Asociacion Interprofesional Para el Desarrollo Agrario) and will take place at Instituto Agronómico Mediterráneo de Zaragoza (Campus de Aula Dei). For further information, registration and works submission, please visit the event webpage.

June 8th – 9th, 2017 in Wageningen, The Netherlands

Edible Insect Seminar & Workshop

The next Edible Insect Seminar & Workshop will be held at Wageningen University on June 8th and 9th 2017. The first day will consist of lectures with state of the art information about the insect production & processing. Fresh news from the latest research will be presented. The second day is about networking, collaboration and funding projects. You can present yourself, your business and/or projects you are involved in or pitch your ideas. If you are up to find partners, you will have networking opportunities and there will be a workshop on the financial aspects of the insect business. For further information, registration and works submission, please visit the event webpage.

June 12th – 14th, 2017 in Assisi, Italy

European Symposium on South American Camelids
(SYMPCAM 2017)

The 7th European Symposium on South American Camelids and 3rd European Meeting on Animal Fibers will be held in Assisi, Italy. Following the tradition of previous events, the Symposium will cover a broad range of topics related to the breeding and keeping of South American domestic and wild Camelids, wool sheep, Cashmere and Angora goats, Angora rabbit and all other fibre mammals in Europe and the world. The invitation to participants interested in all fibre-producing animals is expected to stimulate the exchange of knowledge and thus enabling their expertise to be implemented on a more general scale. There will be scientific sessions about: 1. Sustainable development and climate change, 2. Biodiversity, 3. Breeding and genetics, 4. Reproduction and pathology, 5. Nutrition, 6. Meat and fibre production and 7. Fibre metrology. For further information on the conference, registration and submission of scientific contributions, please visit SYMPCAM 2017 website.

June 13th – 16th, 2017 in Perugia, Italy

22nd Congress of the Animal Science and Production Association (ASPA 2017)

ASPA 2017 aims at promoting valuable scientific contents and knowledge exchange, combining the latest developments with the traditional aspects of animal production and encouraging dialogue between participants with different backgrounds and experience, operating in the animal science
and production field. The call for abstracts is now open and will close on February 15th, 2017. For further information on the programme, registrations and abstract submission, please visit ASPA 2017 website.

**June 22nd – 23rd, 2017 in Paris, France**

Second Animine Academy

Animine, an important company for the production of mineral feed additive, and EAAP are pleased to announce the Second Animine Academy. The National Museum of Natural History in Paris will become once again the venue for this one and a half day workshop held on 22nd and 23rd June 2017. Animal nutrition, diet and its effects on the animal metabolism will be the main themes addressed during this workshop. Six invited experts will give a comprehensive presentation in their fields of expertise followed by 45 minutes of discussion for each given lecture, which will give a great opportunity to speakers and participants to discuss and learn from each other, bringing together scientific and industrial point of views. More info are available at: [http://animine.eaap.org](http://animine.eaap.org)

**June 25th – 28th, 2017 in Pittsburgh, PA, USA**

ADSA Annual Meeting

The 2017 American Dairy Science Association (ADSA) Meeting will be held for the first time in many years separately from the ASAS conference. It will be end of June in Pittsburgh. For more information, please visit the conference website. The abstract submission website is now open and it will accept contributions until February 21, 2017.

**June 28th – 29th, 2017 in Paris, France**

European workshop on Bioeconomy

INRA and IRSTEA, in association with the French
Ministries of Research and Agriculture, organize the “European Workshop on Bioeconomy” in Paris. The event will include four sessions:

1. Bring together, overcome compartmentalization and co-build a system approach;

2. Accompany players on the paths to transition;

3. Identify, organize and add value to the scales of the territory;

4. Measure, analyze and improve the implementation of the bioeconomy.

If you wish to have more information, please use the online form.

You can consult here the proceedings (in French) of the previous workshop held in 2015.

July 8th – 12th, 2017 in Baltimore, USA

ASAS-CSAS Annual Meeting & Trade Show

The American Society of Animal Science and the Canadian Society of Animal Science will hold the 2017 ASAS-CSAS Annual Meeting & Trade Show in Baltimore, MD, USA, from July 8 to July 12, 2017. This is the inaugural year of the meeting, which will be entitled “Animal Science and Technology: Ensuring Food Security” and has 3 goals: 1) to present high quality, relevant science that links animal science and animal agriculture, 2) to offer social events that will enhance networking and add a family feel to the meeting, and 3) to create a successful and sustainable new meeting model. Please find complete information on the event here. General abstracts and competition abstracts can be submitted by the 1st March 2017.

July 16th – 21st, 2017 in Dublin, Ireland

36th International Society for Animal Genetics (ISAG) Conference

The conference will take place in University College Dublin (UCD). The 2017 ISAG Conference will provide an open and friendly forum for the sharing of knowledge between scientists and practitioners of animal genetics applied to economically important and domesticated species. The conference will comprise a series of plenary sessions, workshops organised by ISAG’s standing committees, poster presentations, and a series of networking events. For further information on the conference, registrations and submission of abstracts, please visit ISAG2017 website.

July 24th– 28th, 2017 in Iguacu Falls, Brazil

54th Annual meeting of the Brazilian Society of Animal Science

The Brazilian Society of Animal Science (Sociedade Brasileira de Zootecnia - SBZ), founded on 1951, organizes every year its annual meeting and in 2017 it will be held at Iguacu Falls. Currently the society has over 3,000 members in Brazil and abroad. The society has a scientific Journal entitled “Brazilian Journal of Animal Science,” published since 1973. This year theme of the annual meeting will be: “A new look at animal science: challenges and perspectives”. The 2017 SBZ meeting will bring a group of renowned speakers to discuss the new challenges for Brazilian animal production, focusing on the rational use of resources, meeting the growing demands on environmental and ethical issues, new markets and non-traditional arrangements for animal products, genetics and genomics, among other subjects.

For further information, please visit SBZ website

August 7th, 2017 in Aarhus, Denmark

ISAE 2017 Satellite Meeting: “From beak to tail - mechanisms underlying damaging behaviour in laying hens and pigs”

This full-day meeting will be held within the ISAE 2017 congress and will focus on two main themes:
“Mechanisms underlying the link between health and damaging behaviour” and “Predisposing factors for damaging behaviour during early development”. In addition, the meeting will include a networking session, with the aim to facilitate knowledge exchange and future cooperation between researchers working on damaging behaviour in pigs and poultry. For further information on the programme and venue, and on how to register, please see the “Beak to Tail” homepage.

August 28th – September 1st, 2017 in Tallinn, Estonia

68th EAAP Annual Meeting (EAAP 2017)

The Organising and the Scientific Committees are delighted to announce that Estonia has been chosen as the venue for the 68th Annual Meeting of the European Federation of Animal Science. The meeting will take place from August 28th to September 1st, 2017 in Tallinn, Estonia’s capital. The venue for the meeting will be Solaris Tallinn, located in the heart of Tallinn within walking distance from the city’s best hotels and most iconic sights. EAAP 2017 builds on the success of previous EAAP meetings, and it will provide an excellent opportunity for scientists working with a wide range of animal species and in related disciplines to meet and discuss the latest developments in animal sciences. For further information on the event, please visit EAAP 2017 website.

September 5th – 8th, 2017 in Wageningen, the Netherlands

7th International Conference on the Assessment of Animal Welfare at Farm and Group Level (WAFL 2017)

WAFL is an international scientific conference on the assessment of animal welfare at farm and group level. It is organised once every three years, and following the successful meeting in Clermont-Ferrand in 2014, it will next be held from the 5th to the 8th September 2017 in Wageningen, The Netherlands. The deadline for abstracts submission is the 3rd Feb 2017, while the deadline for early bird registration is the 1st Jun 2017. Please visit the WAFL2017 website for more information.

September 14th – 16th, 2017, in Skopje, Republic of Macedonia

VII International Symposium of Livestock
Production

The Institute of Animal Science of the University “SS. Cyril And Methodius” in Skopje organizes the “VII International Symposium of Livestock Production”, which will be focused on the most significant achievements in the field of livestock production, as well as on the exchange of knowledge and experience in the agricultural practice. For further information on abstract submission and registrations, please write to: iassymposium2017@gmail.com.

September 19th – 22nd, 2017 in Johannesburg, South Africa

13th African Dairy Conference & Exhibition (13th AfDa)

For more than a decade, the African Dairy Conference and Exhibition has brought the latest trends and developments in dairy, giving participants a deeper understanding of what is happening in the African dairy industry and the world at large. For more information and registration, please visit the 13th AfDa website.

September 21st – 24th, 2017 in Chania, Greece

8th International Conference on Information and Communication Technologies in Agriculture, Food & Environment (HAICTA 2017)

HAICTA 2017 aims to bring together professionals, experts and researchers working on Information and Communication Technologies in Agriculture, Food and Environment. It additionally aims to emphasize on the applicability of ICT solutions to real industry cases and the respective challenges. The Conference will take place from the 21st to the 24th of September, 2017, in Chania (Crete, Greece). The event is co-organized by the Hellenic Association for Information and Communication Technologies in Agriculture, Food and Environment (HAICTA) and the Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania (MAICh), in cooperation with several other institutions. For further information on the event and paper submission, please visit HAIUSA website.

September 28th – 29th, 2017 in Paris, France

Amino Acid Academy Workshop

"Amino Acid Nutrition and Sustainability" is the title of a workshop jointly organized by Ajinomoto Eurolysine and EAAP. Ajinomoto is a Japanese food and chemical corporation which produces seasonings, cooking oils, TV dinners, sweeteners, amino acids, and pharmaceuticals. The amino-acid production for animal use is the division of the company organizing this workshop with EAAP. The mission of such division of Ajinomoto is to provide products and services for animal feed additives with the best guarantee of safety for people and the environment. The workshop “Amino Acid Nutrition and Sustainability” will be held in Paris on 28th and 29th September 2017. Further information and registrations will be available on EAAP website and through the next EAAP Newsletters.
The 6th SAADC Conference will be held with the theme of: “Wisdom of Using Local Resources for Development of Sustainable Animal Production in Developing Countries”. Besides providing a platform for researchers and industry stakeholders to share science and experiences for the development of sustainable animal agriculture in the developing countries, a major focus of SAADC is to provide assistance to young scientists to prepare high quality scientific papers to be presented and discussed in the SAADC conference program and then published in reputed international scientific journals. For further information, please visit the conference website.

October 18th – 20th, 2017 in Budapest, Hungary

2nd World Conference on Innovative Animal Nutrition and Feeding

The AK Congress, which is a member of the Wolters Kluwer Group (The Netherlands), organizes the 2nd World Conference on Innovative Animal Nutrition and Feeding (WIANF) on 18th-20th October, 2017 in Budapest, Hungary. EAAP is one of WIANF professional partners. The Conference aims to present how the latest developments of animal nutrition and related disciplines can be applied in animal nutrition to produce high quality and safe animal derived foods and to ensure production in a sustainable manner. For further information on the topics of the conference, registrations and abstracts submissions, please visit WIANF website.

February 11th-16th, 2018 in Auckland, New Zealand

WCGALP meeting

The Organising Committee of the World Congress on Genetics Applied to Livestock Production is gearing up to the meeting in Auckland, New Zealand, that will be held in February 2018. Registrations are opened since December 2016. Call for papers will open on May 1st, 2017 and close on September 7th, 2017. For more information, please visit the congress website.
**WS**eptember 3rd– 6th, 2019 in Leipzig, Germany

**International Symposium on Ruminant Physiology**

The Symposium about Ruminant Physiology will be held in Germany in 2019 at the Kongresshalle am Zoo of Leipzig. The Symposium is the major international conference on ruminant physiology. It provides an overview of current, important scientific findings and areas of research in the physiology of ruminants of all kinds. For more information, please visit the [symposium website](#).

“A man who has committed a mistake and doesn’t correct it, is committing another mistake”

*(Confucius)*

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