EDITORIAL

EDITORIAL BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL

During February, when many animal scientists are preparing their abstracts for submission to the EAAP annual meeting in Dubrovnik in 2018, it may be the time to discuss again, in the era of IT communications, why it is important to participate in “real meetings”. Every scientist can think of different reasons to attend a conference; therefore the reasons I give might be incomplete or questionable. I think it is essential to share the research findings with other experts in the field. Sharing science is the most important way to make progress in scientific development and for scientists to learn. Learning is in fact the second reason. Participating in animal science conferences is essential to learn and discover what others in the field are doing. This will lead us to new ideas ourselves. I have already introduced the third reason; that is to meet other scientists working in the field. By meeting these people we can find new opportunities for collaborative work; we all know how important it is to have an international network these days! Finally, meeting people will bring us fun! Meetings are not all business. There are usually opportunities to socialize with other participants and, arranging travel plans appropriately, we may be able to sightsee before or following the annual meeting. And you should not miss the sightseeing this year because the EAAP annual meeting will be held in the pearl of Adriatic Sea, Dubrovnik, a UNESCO world heritage site of cultural and artistic importance.
**NEWS FROM EAAP**

**Abstracts Submission for the 2018 EAAP Annual Meeting is open!**

The abstract submission is open! Only abstracts submitted using the online application would be considered for publication. Abstracts have to be written in English. The proposed abstract should contain the specific objectives, experimental methods and statistical analyses to be used, together with a synthesis of the results and conclusions. The title, authors and the abstract must not exceed 2250 characters (including spaces). Please note that each author can present a maximum of 2 submitted abstracts.

You can send your submission by **Wednesday 1st March 2018** to Wageningen Academic Publishers (email: eaap2018@WageningenAcademic.com). Authors will be informed by **mid April 2018** whether their abstracts have been accepted for the programme. Authors who submit abstracts but fail to register for the Conference by the 31st May 2018 will have their presentations removed from the programme and their abstracts will not be inserted in the Abstract Book/CD.

The publisher of the Abstract Book for EAAP 2017 Annual Meeting is Wageningen Academic Publishers (http://www.wageningenacademic.com/).

**EAAP Scholarships to attend the 2018 EAAP Annual Meeting**

On-line applications for EAAP Scholarships are open! EAAP is happy to provide the same number of scholarships offered last year: this means that 20 applicants will receive financial support to attend the next EAAP Annual Meeting in Dubrovnik! Only applicants who have a maximum age of 38 years and are nationals of an EAAP member country - or, if from other countries, are EAAP individual members - can apply for a grant to attend the EAAP Annual Meeting.

Applicants who have previously obtained a scholarship cannot reapply within 3 years.

**Before 1st March 2018** each applicant should send to eleonora@eaap.org:

a) Name, address, email and phone number, date of birth and short CV.

b) Name and address of the institution where he/she works.

c) The paper that the applicant intends to present, written in English. The paper should not exceed 5 pages including tables, figures and references. The contribution should be in line with the agenda of one of the provisional sessions (joint or single ones).

d) A copy of the original abstract form (in English), completed in accordance with the instructions given by Wageningen Academic publishers. Abstracts must be submitted by **the 1st March 2018** to Wageningen Academic Publishers using the following link: The correct link is:


Or, even better: http://www.eaap2018.org/

**By the 30th April 2018**, the EAAP Secretariat in Rome will inform applicants of the result of the examination by the Board of Examiners. Successful applicants will receive information on the conditions and uses of the lump sum in line with the Scholarship Fund. The successful applicants will be informed by the relevant Commissions’ Presidents on the presentation method chosen for the paper at stake. Unsuccessful applicants will also be notified about the outcome of their submissions. Failure to obtain a scholarship does not mean the automatic removal of the abstract from the conference programme. These applicants will also be informed by the relevant Commissions Presidents on the method of presentation chosen for their contributions.
EAAP is looking for a motivated person to interact with industries

EAAP is constantly strengthening the cooperation with industries on several levels. Therefore, we are looking for motivated persons to broaden the staff dedicated to interacting with industries for:

1. Increasing the cooperation between industries and EAAP and animal scientists,
2. Supporting the inclusion of industries in EU supported projects,
3. Organizing Academy Workshops (organized jointly by EAAP and a dedicated industry),
4. Sponsoring activities and much more.

The endeavours are paid accordingly with the obtained results. If you are interested please send an email to eaap@eaap.org, more details will be given. If you are not directly interested but you know someone who could be, please show him/her this offer.

Visiting Dubrovnik to prepare next Annual Meeting

A delegation of the EAAP Secretariat visited last week Dubrovnik where next Annual Meeting will be held. The hosts were the local Croatian organizers lead by past EAAP Vice-President Zdravko Barac. The EAAP annual meeting will be held in the excellent facilities of the Valamar resort area located on the scenic Babin kuk peninsula, 15 minutes from Dubrovnik old town, a few metres from the beach. The EAAP scientific sessions will be organized in the hotels’ facilities. The main issues we discussed were in fact the facilities for the scientific sessions and for posters, the meeting rooms, the area for stands of sponsors and industries and for the registration process, the IT services, the catering and the gala dinner locations, etc. All details are satisfactory to offer a unique location for another successful annual meeting. Furthermore, the city of Dubrovnik, located in the southernmost part of Croatia is a uniquely attractive medieval town on the Adriatic Sea. In few weeks a delegation of the Croatian organizers will meet the

EAAP Council and Scientific Committee to discuss and receive questions and suggestions.

Comments and answers from the Annual Meeting Questionnaire

Every year EAAP organizes a questionnaire for participants of the annual meeting. The answers to the questionnaire are used to understand the strong and the weak points of the annual meeting. It has been now many years that we are collecting answers and comments and, specifically, three years in which we ask the same questions, so we can create trends for some specific issue. You can see that most of the people appreciate the annual meeting for the scientific quality, for the facilities, for the networking possibilities, but there are also criticism and comments. We will use your answers and comments to improve the annual meetings to offer you a better service. Every year a short report is written to present the comments and answers, click here to read it!

EAAP Discount Code for Precision Livestock Farming and Animal Health Congress, 8th-11th May 2018

EAAP reminds you the exclusive Code 50% DISCOUNT CODE for Livestock Congress for EAAP’s Members (final price 90 euros TVA included).

if you are an EAAP Individual member and you are interested in participating in this event please send an email to eleonora@eaap.org in order to receive the code.

REGISTRATION AT THIS LINK: Visitors’ Area Livestock Forum

Questionnaire about EAAP Newsletter

In few days you will receive the online questionnaire about this Newsletter. We need to have your inputs to improve the quality of this service dedicated to EAAP individual members. You will experience that answering to the questionnaire will take only few minutes; we hope we can count on your help to improve the service that we are offering you.
Dr. Teun Veldkamp is senior researcher in the department Animal Nutrition of Wageningen Livestock Research. Veldkamp joined Wageningen Livestock Research in 1989 and started his research activities as researcher in broilers, laying hens, turkeys and ducks. In this period he covered all disciplines in poultry research. In 2002 he received his Ph.D. on the thesis “Heat stress and diet utilization in male turkeys – The role of dietary energy and amino acids”. After 2002 he was focusing more and more on animal nutrition. Now he is conducting animal nutrition research in poultry sectors broilers, laying hens and turkeys. Research topics of main interest are amino acid requirement studies, energy and protein metabolism, bio-based economy, efficacy and tolerance trials for registration purposes, alternative protein sources for animal feed and moreover since 2012 Veldkamp is involved in many projects related to insects as feed. He is author of the research report “Insects as a sustainable feed ingredient in pig and poultry diets - a feasibility study”. In that report it was concluded that the use of insects as a sustainable protein rich feed ingredient in pig and poultry diets is technically feasible. Insects can be reared on low-grade bio-waste and can turn this bio-waste into high quality proteins. Insects therefore can be an interesting link in the animal feed chain to fulfill the globally increasing demand for protein. Main bottlenecks were identified for further development of the insect chain. Sharing of knowledge in a relatively new insect production chain is very important to make big steps forward. After a discovery session on insects at the EAAP annual meeting in Copenhagen Denmark a study commission on insects was established in 2016. Since 2016 Veldkamp is president of the Study Commission Insects of the European Federation of Animal Science and he is member of the editorial board of the Journal of Insects as Food and Feed. The Study Commission on Insects addresses all questions in the area of biomass as substrate for insect rearing, nutritional requirements of insects,
insect production, ethical aspects, processing methods of insect products, feeding value of insects (products) in animal feed, functional properties of insect products in animal feed, market applications, regulatory issues, consumer acceptance, environmental and socio-economic sustainability. The insect sessions organised in 2017 in Tallinn, Estonia were successful and well attended. For the EAAP annual meeting in Dubrovnik, Croatia in 2018 the Insect commission is organising four sessions on insects during two successive days with session titles: “High quality insects for sustainable feed”, “Cost effective insect production”, “Effects of insect-containing feeds on animal health, welfare and performance” and “Safety and regulatory issues in insect production” covering very important aspects for further development of the insect industry. Excellent keynote speakers have agreed to speak in all four sessions and currently the call for abstracts is open for excellent presentations, both oral and poster. A challenge for the future is to create more working groups in different disciplines of the insect production chain which are active during the year and come with bottom up sessions during the EAAP annual meetings. Teun is married to his wife Regien and together with two daughters they are living in a small village Welsum in The Netherlands situated on the west bank of the river IJssel and close to De Hoge Veluwe National Park and Veluwezoom National Park. The Veluwe features many different landscapes, including woodland, heath, some small lakes and Europe’s largest sand drifts. We spent our spare time travelling and being out in nature...
• Higher education and research: Ph.D students, researchers, teachers

• Professionals: research & development, advisor, consulting, technical support, public policy

Detailed program and speakers will be announced soon!

FROM EU (POLICIES AND PROJECTS)

Report of the FOOD 2030 conference “Harnessing Research and Innovation for FOOD 2030: A science policy dialogue”

The FOOD 2030 conference “Harnessing Research and Innovation for FOOD 2030: A science policy dialogue”, was held in Brussels on the occasion of World Food Day on 16th October 2017 and highlighted successful European research and innovation outcomes relevant to Food and Nutrition Security and provided inspiration for further development of priorities which will play a key role in achieving the objectives of FOOD 2030. An outcome report has been drawn up.

The Second FOOD 2030 High Level Event “Research & Innovation for Food and Nutrition Security – Transforming our food systems” will take place on 14th-15th June 2018 at the Agricultural University in Plovdiv under the auspices of the Bulgarian Presidency of the EU. A web site for on-line registration will be made available shortly and information will be provided at www.eu2018bg.bg

MSCA Individual Fellowship results

The European Commission has announced on 29th January 2018, the awarding of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships to 1 348 highly talented researchers to create a game-changing impact on our society and economy. The funding, part of the EU’s Horizon 2020 programme for research and innovation, is worth € 248.7 million in total, an increase of € 30 million as compared to the previous call, and will give the scientists’ careers a real kick-start. Read more on European Commission website.

European Commission asks for your opinion!

On 10 January 2018, the European Commission launched a series of public consultations clustered by key policy areas, in preparation for the EU’s next long-term budget post-2020 (MFF). Citizens, organisations and businesses can give their views online until 8 March 2018.

Your feedback is essential. This is THE moment to express your support, based on the EU added value of EU R&I programmes1, building on the success of Horizon 2020 and given the importance of research and innovation in extending the frontiers of knowledge, boosting Europe’s productivity and
competitiveness, addressing the grand societal challenges and sustaining our socio-economic model and values.

The consultation on EU funds in the area of investment, research & innovation, SMEs and single market can be found here.

**PROHEALTH project Final Conference**

PROHEALTH is the largest European animal health project ever funded to help combat production diseases of pigs and poultry. Intensification of farming increases the risk and susceptibility of animals to such diseases, which are multi-factorial in origin. Production diseases are estimated to cause 10-15% reduction in performance efficiency of pig and poultry farming, resulting in huge financial losses and concerns amongst a variety of stakeholders. The overall aim of the project is to:

- Contribute to our understanding of the multifactorial dimension of animal pathologies linked to the intensification of production.
- To help provide effective control strategies to reduce the impact on animal welfare, including health.

PROHEALTH is currently in its final year (month 50 of total duration of 60 months) and has produced a series of both scientific and practical outputs that can be found on its website. PROHEALTH will have its final presentation of its outputs at the 2018 EAAP annual meeting in Dubrovnik.

**INDUSTRY AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

**Disease prevention is not growth promotion**

One of the most common confusions about antibiotic use in agriculture is the difference between preventative use and growth promotion use. This article sheds a light on the two types – and explains why it is important to acknowledge this difference. Given the global imperative to preserve the effectiveness of antibiotics, it is essential for all governments and industries to be carefully considering how antibiotics are used in livestock production, alongside initiatives in the human and environmental sectors as well. Read the full article on PigProgress.

**Bringing artificial intelligence to the dairy barn**

Don’t talk about big data and algorithms to farmers. Talk about the goals of the farm and areas where they want to improve. The data solutions and sensors will follow. This is according to Yasir Khokhar, CEO of Connecterra. Big data and agriculture. A promising combination and everyone is talking about it. As a result, many drones for farmers, sensors for dairy cows, software packages with fancy dashboards are entering the market. But data is useless unless you can unlock its underlying meaning and help the farmer to take action. Many sensors for cattle for example are based on tracking, which merely relay data to a central collection point. Read the full article on DairyGlobal.
**JOB OFFERS**

**Junior R&D Manager and R&D Director at Animine in Annecy (France)**

Animine is currently recruiting a Junior R&D Manager and a R&D Director for supporting its R&D team in Annecy, France.

The **Junior R&D Manager** will be in charge of an experimental program on farm animals, which is conducted in collaboration with European scientific partners.

Main requirements:

1. MSc or PhD degree in animal nutrition;
2. First experience in the compound feed or feed specialties industry;
3. Basic knowledge in the nutrition of monogastrics and ruminants;
4. Proficient in spoken and written English

The **R&D Director** will drive the strategic and operational vision of our R&D; lead a scientific team and supervise experimental programs on our products; service internal and external clients.

Main requirements:

1. PhD degree with professional experience in animal sciences, preferably in feed additives
2. Solid knowledge in nutrition of monogastrics and ruminants
3. Proven ability to manage projects, priorities, and people
4. Excellent command in spoken and written English
5. Willingness to frequent international travelling

For more information please visit the [job vacancy](#). If you are interested, please send your application in English to Dr. Jochen Riebensahm ([Jochen.Riebensahm@AGRlassociates.de](mailto:Jochen.Riebensahm@AGRlassociates.de))

**Two research positions at the Animal Genetics Division of INRA (French Guiana Region and Brittany Region)**

The Animal Genetics Division of INRA (Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique), based in France, has 2 openings for permanent (French government employee) research positions at the junior research scientist level (CRCN).
Deadline for application is 28th of February 2018 (for papers applications) or 5th of March 2018 (for online applications).

**First position:** Analysis of the genetic determinism of nutrient allocation in growing pigs under thermal stress conditions (CRCN-2018-7-GA-1)

Location: French West Indies - French Guiana Region
Before applying, please contact: Jean-Luc Gourdine (jean-luc.gourdine@inra.fr) - Phone: +33 5 90 25 59 42

**Second position:** Flexibility of lipid reserves in reproducing females (CRCN-2018-7-GA-2).
Location: Brittany Region
Before applying, please contact: Pascale Le Roy (pascale.le-roy@inra.fr) - Phone: +33 2 23 48 59 61

Requirements: 1. PhD or equivalent, preferably in animal science; 2. Training in animal genetics is recommended; 3. Candidates should have a good command of English, and long-term international experience would also be desirable. Successful candidates who have not yet acquired this experience abroad will be required to do so after their probationary period (1st year).

Salary is commensurate with experience but starts at around 28,000 euros/year. Knowledge of French is not a requirement. French or European Union nationalities are not required.

For more information please visit the job vacancies by selecting GA Animal Genetics in Research Division.

Please note that the applicants have to produce a scientific report following formal guidelines, and that selection of the successful candidates is in two stages. The first stage—selection is based on the reports sent in due time, and candidates selected on the basis of their report are audited for the final, second stage.

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**Permanent position for a young scientist at INRA (Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes, France)**

INRA (Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique), based in France, has 1 opening permanent position for a young scientist (CRCN).

Research theme: Ecosystem services of grassland rearing systems
Location: Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes, France
Before applying, please contact: Mr. Bertrand Dumont (bertrand.dumont@inra.fr) - Phone: +33 4 73 62 46 07

Requirements: PhD or equivalent. General education in zootechnics - which provides knowledge of animals, resources, livestock management and systems - as well as training and experience in modelling are highly recommended. Command of the concepts of agroecology and ecosystem services would be appreciated. Candidates should have a good command of English, and long-term international experience would also be desirable. Successful candidates who have not yet acquired this experience abroad will be required to do so after their probationary period (1st year).

For more information please visit the job vacancy.

**Associate Professor in Computational and Statistical Genomics at the Norwegian University of Life Sciences (Norway)**

The Department of Animal and Aquacultural Sciences, Faculty of Biosciences, at the Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NMBU) invites applications for a permanent, full time position as an Associate Professor in Computational and Statistical Genomics. The successful candidate will join the multidisciplinary Genome Biology research group, which possess expertise in genetics, evolutionary and comparative genomics, bioinformatics and systems biology.

The successful candidate will play a key role in developing the group’s research portfolio.
and teaching within computational and statistical genomics. The person will be central for implementation of computing, analysis and software development essential to meet the challenges arising from the rapid growth and complexity of omics data. Abilities to critically assimilate information across disciplines (molecular genomics, systems genetics and statistics), talent for structuring and analysing data, and interest in teamwork and interdisciplinary cooperation are essential for the position. The successful candidate will be required to make a major contribution to the development of genome biology research and teaching at the Faculty of Biosciences. This include teaching and developing study programs, writing of grant applications and publishing in peer reviewed journals. Communicating key results and new methodologies to industry and engaging with industry partners will also be a part of the position. The appointed candidate will take part in the Department’s teaching and supervision of BSc, MSc and PhD students and participate in administrative work at the department, faculty and university level. Application deadline: 15th March 2018.

For more information about the position please visit the job vacancy.

Postdoc position (cattle) at Aarhus University (Denmark)

The Department of Animal Science of the University of Aarhus is seeking a candidate with a strong background in behaviour and precision livestock farming in dairy cattle. The candidate will be working on precision livestock farming projects and should focus on how changes in behaviour of dairy cattle may be used to predict the status of dairy cows. The candidate needs to have some understanding of technology and be familiar with handling of larger datasets. Besides creating a strong research basis, the candidate has to perform both teaching, supervision of students and research-based consultancy for the public sector.

Two-year Postdoc Position

Deadline: 1st March, 2018

Position available starting 15th August, 2018

For further information please read the job vacancy or contact Lene Munksgaard (lene.munksgaard@anis.au.dk)
**Statistical Geneticist at The International Livestock Research Institute in Nairobi (Kenya)**

The International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) is recruiting a Statistical Geneticist to support the genetic and genomic evaluation systems and development of genomic tools in collaboration with national and regional livestock and chicken breeding programs in developing countries.

**Main requirements:**

- 3 years post-doctoral experience Genetics and Genomics

- Strong capabilities in quantitative analysis, with demonstrated experience in mixed model methodologies (especially experience with the use of ASREML), genomic selection and general application of molecular information (genomic tools) in practical animal breeding

- Proficiency in at least one statistical package, such as SAS, R or GenStat and in livestock database design, management and use

- Familiarity with approaches to achieve data integration, interoperability and visualization;

- Demonstrated ability to effectively communicate research results in the form of reports or scientific publications

- A good track record of scientific publications and resource mobilization

- Demonstrated ability to work in team, network, prioritize, deliver under pressure and within set deadlines

- Evidence of excellent written and spoken English

- Experience in managing field and data analytics teams

**Duration:** 3 years with the possibility of renewal, contingent upon individual performance and continued funding.

**Benefits:** ILRI offers a competitive salary and a benefits package.

For more information please visit the [job vacancy](#).

**Permanent Junior Immunologist at INRA, Val de Loire Center (France)**

INRA is recruiting a Junior Immunologist (full-time, permanent position) to work on mastitis to decipher the immune response in the ruminant mammary gland. The successful candidate will be motivated
to work on ruminant immunology. Sound skills in cellular immunology are recommended and Omics approaches to biological systems will be encouraged. The position is open at INRA Val de Loire Center, in the large research unit Infectiologie et Sante Publique.

Training required: PhD or equivalent. Veterinary training would be a bonus. Candidates should have a good command of English, and long-term international experience would also be desirable. Successful candidates who have not yet acquired this experience abroad (outside France) will be required to do so after their probationary period (1st year).

For more information please read the job vacancy.

If interested send a detailed CV and three references to: pascal.rainard@inra.fr or nathalie.winter@inra.fr

Deadline for notice: online 5th March 2018; paper mail 28th February.

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

February 25th - 27th, 2018 in Tel Aviv, Israel

Congress on Controversies in Bovine Health, Industry & Economics (BovineC)

The Congress on Controversies in Bovine Health, Industry & Economics (BovineC) is a unique get-together meeting where controversial topics in bovine health, industry and economics will be discussed between veterinaries, scientists and farmers. The main subjects of the Congress should be related to cattle however, abstracts related to sheep and goats will be also accepted. For more information please visit the congress website.

March 21st – 22nd, 2018, in Wageningen, The Netherlands

Symposium “Edible Insects: the value chain”

The symposium “Edible Insects: the value chain” will be held on 21-22 March 2018 in Ede-Wageningen to celebrate 10 years of insect research in The Netherlands. Researchers of Wageningen University & Research will present the latest insights and findings related to the applicability of insects as a
novel protein source considering different steps of the value chain. The symposium connects the latest research results with the broad expertise of industry, and government obtained also thanks to the private public research initiative of the last 10 years. Renewed international scientists will also present their last findings. The interdisciplinary conference is an excellent opportunity for researchers, industries and users interested in the research on insects to explore potential solutions for a more efficient and effective use of this novel protein sources. For more information read here.

May 15th – 20th, 2018, in Wuhan, China

2nd International Conference “Insects to Feed the World” (IFW 2018)

The 2nd International Conference “Insects to Feed the World” aims to address all aspects related to insects as food and feed and will bring together research scientists, government officials and private sector representatives from the food and feed sector from both developing and developed countries. The overall objective of the conference is to further explore the potential of edible insects for food and feed security.

For more information, please get in contact with Dr. Longyu Zheng (Huazhong Agricultural University, China. Email: ly.zheng@mail.hzau.edu.cn), Dr. Arnold van Huis (Wageningen University, the Netherlands. Email: arnold.vanhuis@wur.nl), and Dr. Jeffery K. Tomberlin (Texas A&M University, USA. Email: jktomberlin@tamu.edu).

May 28th – 31st, 2018, in Guayaquil, Ecuador

V International Symposium of Animal Production

May 8th – 11th, 2018, in Barcelona, Spain

Precision Livestock Farming and Animal Health Congress

Precision Livestock Farming and Animal Health Congress will be held in Barcelona on 8th-11th may 2018. For more information please visit the website. EAAP reminds you the exclusive Code 50% DISCOUNT CODE for Livestock Congress for EAAP’s Members (final price 90 euros TVA included). If you are an EAAP Individual member and you are interested in participating in this event, please send an email to eleonorae@aap.org in order to receive the code. Registration at this link: Visitors’ Area Livestock Forum.
Mark your calendars now for the 2018 Annual Meeting of the American Dairy Science Association (ADSA), the most comprehensive dairy science meeting in the world. As a global forum for professionals, educators, and students, the meeting will attract more than 1,500 dairy foods and production specialists with common but diverse interests in the future of dairy science. For further information and registrations, please visit the ADSA website.

**June 20th – 22nd, 2018, in Bozen – Bolzano, Italy**

**1st European Symposium on Livestock Farming in Mountain Areas**

The Symposium is a joint initiative of the Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, the EURAC Research Center, FiBL Switzerland, Università degli studi di Padova and EAAP. It will be held for the first time in 2018 at the Eurac Research Center in Bozen-Bolzano. The overall objective of the Symposiums is to bring together scientists that deal with questions regarding livestock farming in mountain areas in Europe. Mountain regions face challenges due to their environmental condition that affect the success of production and that are similar regardless of geographic location. Therefore, the symposium covers a broad range of topics including all species relevant to mountain farming. Invited speakers, theatre presentations as well as poster presentations are foreseen.

**Important dates:**

- February 28th 2018: Deadline for abstract submission
- March 15th 2018: Notification about abstract acceptance
- April 1st 2018: Final registration for presenters (both oral and poster)
- June 2nd 2018: Registration closes

For further information please see the attachment or get in contact with Prof. Dr. Matthias Gauly (Matthias.Gauly@unibz.it).

**July 5th-8th, 2018, in Vancouver, Canada**

**12th World Conference on Animal Production**

The 12th World Conference on Animal Production will be held in July 5-8 at the Westin Bayshore Vancouver. The meeting will be followed by the 2018 ASAS-CSAS Annual Meeting & Trade Show that will be held always in Vancouver in July 8-12. For more information please read the brochure.

**July 8th-12nd, 2018, in Vancouver, Canada**

**2018 ASAS-CSAS Annual Meeting & Trade Show**

The American Society of Animal Science (ASAS) and the Canadian Society of Animal Science (CSAS) will hold the 2018 ASAS-CSAS Annual Meeting & Trade Show in Vancouver, Canada. The meeting will be held in July. We have three main goals for the 2018 meeting: 1) to present high quality, relevant science that links animal science and animal agriculture, 2) to return to our roots, by having a number of social events to enhance networking and add a family feel to the meeting and 3) to continue to provide a successful and sustainable meeting model. For more information and registration please visit the Annual Meeting website.

**June 24th-27th, 2018, in Knoxville, TN, USA**

**ADSA Annual Conference and Tradeshow**

**August 1st-3rd, 2018, in Kuching Sarawak, Malaysia**

**18th AAAP Animal Science Congress**
The 18th Asian Australasian Animal Production Science Congress will be held in Kuching Sarawak, Malaysia. The host of the 2018 congress is MSAP (Malaysian Society of Animal Production). The organizing committee was launched already in early 2016 and now in vivid action. It is expected to have again more than 1,000 enrollments representing usually 30–40 countries along with about 800 scientific presentations. Please remind the date and venue city, which is one of the well-known tourist attraction city in Malaysia. For further information please refer the official homepage of the 2018 AAAP Animal Science Congress.

**August 27th - 31st, 2018 in Dubrovnik, Croatia**

**69th EAAP Annual Meeting (EAAP 2018)**

The Organising and the Scientific Committees are delighted to announce that Croatia has been chosen as the venue for the 69th Annual Meeting of the European Federation of Animal Science. The meeting will take place from 27th to 31st August 2018 in Dubrovnik, one of the most prominent tourist destinations in the Mediterranean. The venue for the meeting will be the Valamar Resort. EAAP 2018 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 registration and other information about the European animal science annual meeting, please visit EAAP 2018 website.

**September 2nd - 6th, 2018, in Clermont-Ferrand, France**

**10th International Symposium on the Nutrition of Herbivores**

The International Symposium on the Nutrition of Herbivores (ISNH) is an international scientific conference that addresses a whole range of issues linked to the nutrition of herbivores in production systems or in the wild. The 10th edition will be hosted by the French National Institute for Agricultural Research (INRA) in Clermont-Ferrand, France. The 10th International Symposium on the Nutrition of Herbivores conference will be a forum to discuss herbivore nutrition supporting agro-ecological and sustainable intensification approaches. The Symposium will feature plenary sessions, paper sessions, and posters by international experts. The sessions of the Symposium will cover basic herbivores nutrition to nutritional strategies to improve nutritional efficiency, product quality, health and animal welfare, and environmental issues. Contributions from young scientists are encouraged. The registration will open mid-January 2018. Deadline for submitting the abstract is 1st February 2018. For further information and the paper submission procedure please visit the website.

**September 5th-7th, 2018, in Utrecht, The Netherlands**

**6th European Veterinary Immunology Workshop**

The European Veterinary Immunology Group (EVIG) and the local organizing committee are organising the 6th EVIW. EVIW2018 in Utrecht, The Netherlands. Plenary and concurrent session topics will include: 1. Innate immunity; 2. Adaptive immunity; 3. Infection and immunity; 4. Vaccination; 5. Clinical immunology; 6. Allergy; 7. Mucosal immunology; 8. The microbiome in relation to immune responses. Further information on registration, abstract submission and deadlines will be available soon at https://www.eviw2018.com/

**October 16th – 19th, 2018, in Mar del Plata, Argentina**

**41st Argentine Congress of Animal Production**

The 41st Argentine Congress of Animal Production will be held in October 16th -19th 2018, in Mar del Plata in Argentina. The Congress will be organised by AAPA. For further information please see the leaflet.

**October 23rd – 27th, 2018, in Mumbai, India**

**19th World Congress of Food Science and Technology**
The 19th World Congress of Food Science and Technology will be held in October 23rd -27th 2018, at CIDCO International Convention Centre, in Mumbai in India and the theme will be “25 Billion Meals a Day by 2025 with Healthy, Nutritious, Safe and Diverse Foods”. The target highlights about 250 plus internationally well known speakers of high repute along with special Plenary talks and 60 plus Scientific sessions and more than 800 poster presentations with a spectrum of about 3000 plus delegates. For more information and registration please visit the website. Deadline for submission abstract: 28th February 2018.

October 25th – 27th, 2018, in Osijek, Croatia

International Scientific-Expert Conference on the Preservation of Animal Genetic Resources

The conference is organized by the Croatian Agricultural Agency, the University of Zagreb, the Josip Juraj Strossmayer University of Osijek and the University of Zadar. It provides the possibility for verbal presentation, presentation via posters and the presentation of your institution/company or as a participant.

For further information, please read the first notification of the conference and visit the conference website.

November 27th -29th, 2018, in Alexandria, Egypt

1st International Conference on Animal Genetic Resources Conservation in Africa and Asia

The 1st International Conference on Animal Genetic Resources Conservation in Africa and Asia will be held in November 27th -28th 2018 at the University of Alexandria, Egypt. The conference main theme will be: “Towards a rational conservation strategy for animal genetic resources for food and agriculture in Africa and Asia”. More information will be available soon.

June 27th -29th, 2019, in Bern, Switzerland

17th International Conference on Production Diseases in Farm Animals

The ICPD conference is a traditional scientific conference dedicated to current topics related to farm animal diseases that are related to the respective food production systems. The conference has the overall goal to contribute to improve sustainability in animal food production. Presentations from expert scientists from all over the world will cover field of animal husbandry, physiology, genetics, nutrition, welfare, and herd health management, as well the interactions among these disciplines. Species will include ruminants, swine, and poultry. The ICPD 2019 will be held at the University of Bern, Switzerland. Bern is the capital of Switzerland and also a unique touristic attraction with its beautiful historic old town which is a UNESCO World heritage site. For more information please visit the website. Chair of organizing committee: Prof. Rupert Bruckmaier, Veterinary Physiology, Vetsuisse Faculty, University of Bern. For more information check the conference website or contact us at icpd2019@vetsuisse.unibe.

August 26th – 30th, 2019 in Ghent, Belgium

70th EAAP Annual Meeting (EAAP 2019)

The Belgian organizing team is delighted to invite you to the 70th Annual Meeting of EAAP. The meeting will take place from 26th – 30th August 2019 in the historic yet contemporary city of Ghent. With its central location in Europe, between Amsterdam, Paris, London and the Ruhr Area, Ghent is easy to reach. The meeting will be organized by ILVO (Flanders’ research institute for agriculture, fisheries and food), under the patronage of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries from the Flemish Government and will offer a platform for livestock scientists to meet and discuss the latest developments in animal science with colleagues from other research institutes and industry from all
over the world. Besides, there will be an attractive and interesting program of social events, as well as technical tours and an accompanying person program, in order to enjoy some of the beauties and delicacies Belgium offers. For more information, please visit EAAP 2019 website.

**September 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.
“The world is a book, and those who do not travel read only one page.”

(Saint Augustine)