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PROGRAMME OF THE WORKSHOPS

Titles:

1. *“Animal Welfare: the European Framework”*
2. *“The 3Rs concept – The Legal Framework on the protection of laboratory animals”*

Time and Location:

17.00-19.00	Arrival and registration of the speakers	27 th March 2008
17.00-19.00	Arrival and registration of the Western Balkan participants	27 th March 2008
9.00 – 10.00	Arrival and registration of the participants from Macedonia	28 th March 2008
10.00	Beginning of seminar	28 th March 2008
17.00	End of seminar	28 th March 2008
8.00	Departure of the speakers and Western Balkan participants	29 th March 2008

Place: **University Congress Centre “Ss. Cyril and Methodius” Ohrid, Macedonia**

Working Languages: **English/Macedonian**

OPENING SESSION

10.00 -10.15	Welcome Address <i>Prof d-r Velimir Stojkovski</i> Vicerector of the University St Cyril and Methodius – Skopje <i>Prof d-r Miso Hristovski</i> Dean of the Faculty of veterinary medicine – Skopje <i>Dejan Runtevski</i> Director of State Veterinary Department- Skopje
10.15-10:30	Welcome and Introduction to RSPCA International <i>Alexandra Hammond-Seaman,</i> Senior Programme Manager-RSPCA International UK
10.30 –11.00	Animal Welfare: The European Legal Framework <i>Dr. Walter Winding</i> President of FVE (Federation of Veterinarians of Europe) Austria
11.00 –11.15	Coffe break



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WORKSHOP 1 (conference room no. 1)

Title; "Animal Welfare: the European Framework"

Aims of the seminar:

'The purpose of this workshop is to describe rules for the protection of animals and their welfare aiming to ensure that the competent authority shall exercise and implement efficient supervision and control on issues regulated by the law on animal welfare.'

Agenda:

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| 11.15–11.30 | Introduction to Macedonian Animal Welfare Law (January 2008)
<i>Toni Kirandziski</i>
SVO Macedonia |
| 11:30-12.00 | Farm Animal Welfare I: Transport
<i>Dr. Mladen Tomšić,</i>
Head of Animal Welfare Mobile Unit of Veterinary Administration of Republic of Slovenia |
| 12:00-12.15 | Coffe break |
| 12:15- 12.45 | Farm Animal Welfare II: Slaughter
<i>Branka Buković Šošić</i>
State Veterinary Office Croatia |
| 12:45-13:15 | Farm Animal Welfare: Welfare on the farm
<i>Nataša Siard,</i>
Biotechnical Faculty, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia |
| 13:15-14:15 | Lunch break |
| 14.15 – 14.45 | Stray Animal Control
<i>Jura Ambrožić,</i>
City of Zagreb, City Office for Agriculture and Forestry, Croatia |
| 14.45 – 15.00 | Coffe break |
| 15.00 – 15.45 | Roundtable discussions: Implementation and Enforcement |
| 15.45 – 16.00 | Conclusions |

WORKSHOP 2
(conference room no. 2)

Title: “The 3Rs concept – The Legal Framework on the protection of laboratory animals”

Aims of the seminar:

The aim of the meeting is to discuss the legal framework for the protection of laboratory animals and will include reference to recent developments in relevant European laws. It will discuss the importance of the 3Rs concept (replacement, refinement and reduction) and examples of how the 3Rs can be most fully implemented will be highlighted. The seminar will also cover the role and function of animal ethics committees and will provide guidance for the issues to consider relevant to the granting of authorisation for using animals in research or testing

Agenda:

- 11:15-11:45 **European Legal Framework on the protection of laboratory animals**
N.G.Kostomitsopoulos
Board member of ICLAS, co-chair of the Europe Regional Committee
- 11:45-12:15 **The 3Rs - opportunities for implementation, and their importance for good science and animal welfare**
Barney Reed, Senior Scientific Officer – Research Animals Department
RSPCA UK
- 12:15-12:45 **Coffe break**
- 12:15-12:45 **Introduction to ECVAM and its validation activities**
Dr Marlies Halder
Biologicals & Ecotoxicology-European Commission - DG JRC - IHCP-ECVAM
Italy
- 12:45-14:00 **Lunch break**
- 14:00-14:30 **Ethical and effective acquisition of knowledge and skills in life science education and training**
Tamir Lousky,
Inter-NICHE
- 14:30-15:00 **Ethic committees in Europe - their role and responsibilities**
Maggy Jennings
Head of Research Animals – Research Animals Department -RSPCA UK
- 15:00-15:15 **Coffe break**
- 15:15-16:30 **Animal use in education and research in the Western Balkan countries**
(Representatives Western Balkan Countries)
- 16:30- 17:00 **Discussion and questions**