



**SYSTEMATIC AND SCIENCE-BASED
SOLUTIONS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF STRAY DOGS IN EUROPE**

Second Conference on Animal Welfare

Permanent Representation of Austria to the European Union
and VIER PFOTEN Charitable Private Foundation for Animal Welfare

7./8. Oktober 2008, Brussels

7. October 2008 first day conference

13.30h **Welcome by the Republic
of Austria**

Mag. Walter Grahammer
Minister Plenipotentiary, Deputy
Permanent Representative
Permanent Representation of
Austria to the EU

Dr. Andrea Kdolsky
Federal Minister of Health, Family
and Youth, Vienna

Welcome by VIER PFOTEN

Mr. Helmut Dungler
President and Founder of VIER
PFOTEN, Vienna

***Part one:
Stray Dogs and humans***

Key note speeches

13.45h **Aspects of Human-animal
Interaction in the Global
World**

Prof Dr. James A. Serpell
Director, Center for the Interaction
of Animals & Society, Department
of Clinical Studies, School of
Veterinary Medicine, University of
Pennsylvania, USA

14.15h **Humane Education as a Primary
Skill for Animal Welfare –
Programs of the EU-Commission**

Dr. Andrea Gavinelli
European Commission
DG SANCO, Head of Unit
D 5 Animal Welfare, Brussels

Part two:**Stray Dogs - A Problem with Diverse Causes and Diverse Solutions**

14:45h **Animal Birth Control in India
- best practices with humane
methods and without
killing Stray Animals** **Dr. S. Chinny Krishna**
Chairman, BlueCross of India
Madras, India

15.15h **Stray Dogs in Eastern European
Member States** **Dr. Vet. PhD Liviu Harbuz,**
College of Romanian
Veterinarians, Romania

Mrs Ioana Tomescu,
Director Project
VIER PFOTEN International
Vienna, Austria

15.45h Coffee break

16.00h **Stray Dogs in Southern Europe** **Prof. Dr. Teresa
Gimenez- Candela**
Universitat Autònoma de
Barcelona, Catedràtica de Dret.
Roma, Spain

Part three:**The Veterinary Perspective - Animal Health and Human Health**

16.30h **Community Animal Health
Strategies and their impact on
Stray Dog Welfare** **Dr. Walter Winding**
President
Federation of the Veterinarians in
Europe(FVE), Brussels

17.00h **Discussion part 1 - 3** **Mr. Hajo Friedrich, Moderation**

8 October 2008 second day of Conference**Part four:****Stray Dogs Population Controlling Programs and legal solutions**

09.00h **Systematic Approaches to Stray
Dog Population Control, and
the Planned OIE-Guidelines** **Dr. Paolo Dalla Villa**
Istituto Zooprofilattico
Sperimentale dell'Abruzzo e del
Molise, IZT, Teramo, Italy

9.30h **Implementing Legal Frameworks
- First Results of the Stray Animals
Program in Bulgaria** **Dr. Miroslav Naydenov**
Director of the Municipal
Animal Control of Sofia, Bulgaria

10.00h **Discussion part 4** **Mr. Hajo Friedrich, Moderator**

10.30h Coffee Break

Part five:**Other Issues Related to Stray Dog Problems and Solutions**

10.45h	Pets and Responsible Ownership in Eastern Europe	Mrs. Evdokia Maneva Member of the Bulgarian Parliament, Sofia, Bulgaria
11.15h	Development of the Illegal Puppy Trade	Mag. Nadja Ziegler Deputy Animal Welfare Commissioner of Vienna, Austria
11.45h	Stray Dogs as Partners	Mrs. Helga Widder Vice president of the European Society for Animal Assisted Therapy, Vienna, Austria
	“Dogs for People” Multimedia Presentation	Mrs. Ioana Tomescu Director Project VIER PFOTEN, International Vienna, Austria
	Discussion part 5	Mr. Hajo Friedrich , Moderator

12.30h Light lunch buffet

Part six:**“European Wide Co-ordination of Stray Dog Policies and Strategies Including the European Forum of Stray Dogs” - Panel and Open Discussion**

13.30 h	Panel	<p>Elisabeth Jeggle, MEP, Intergroup on the Welfare and Conservation of Animals, Vice-President, Brussels</p> <p>Teresa Gimenez-Candela, University of Barcelona, Spain</p> <p>Paolo Dalla Villa, Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale dell’Abruzzo e del Molise, IZT, Italy</p> <p>Hinrich Meyer-Gerbaulet, Counsellor of the Minister of Agriculture and Food, Bulgaria</p> <p>Branka Bukovic-Sosic, Head of Animal Welfare Departement, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development, Veterinary Directorate Croatia</p> <p>Dr. S. Chinny Krishna, Chairman, BlueCross of India Madras, India, Member of the executive board of the World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA)</p>
14.30h	Open Discussion	
	Conclusion of the Day	Helmut Dungler, VIER PFOTEN, President

Moderation:

Hajo Friedrich, Journalist, Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung