



Agenda of the Workshop

“Stray Animals – our sentient fellow creatures”

Date: Thursday, April 10, 2014
Where: Representation of State of Baden-Württemberg to the European Union,
Rue Belliard 60-62, 1040 Brussels (Belgium), Tel. 0032 2 741 7711

Programme:

09:30 – 10.00 *Registration – Coffee and tea*

10.00 - 10.15 **Welcome and introduction**

Johannes Jung, Head of the Representation of the State of Baden-Württemberg to the EU in Brussels

Dr. Martin Hartmann, Chief Veterinary Officer of Baden-Württemberg (DE),
Ministry of Rural Affairs and Consumer Protection of the State of Baden-Württemberg,
Germany

10:15 – 11.15 **Part I: European framework – status quo and outlook**

Moderation: **Dr. Karin Hipper**, Policy Officer, Representation of the State of Baden-Württemberg to the EU

Speakers:

- **Dr. Andrea Gavinelli**, Head of Unit G3 Animal Welfare,
European Commission - DG SANCO
Animal Welfare and Health Policy of the EU
- **Elisabeth Jeggle MEP** (EPP / Baden-Württemberg (DE)),
Member of the Intergroup on Animal Welfare and of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development of the European Parliament
Discussion about stray animals in the European Parliament since 2007
- **Dr. Gieri Bolliger**, LL.M. AW Law, Executive Officer of “Tier im Recht”, Zürich, Switzerland
The European Pet Convention – up to date?

11:15 – 11:30 **Discussion**

11:30 – 12:00 *Coffee break*

12:00 – 13:00

Part II: Animals in society, law and enforcement: diverse perceptions

Moderation:

Dr. Martin Hartmann, Chief Veterinary Officer of Baden-Württemberg (DE),
Ministry of Rural Affairs and Consumer Protection of the State of Baden-Württemberg, Germany

Speakers:

- **Prof. Dr. Kurt Kotrschal**, Director of the Konrad Lorenz Research Station in
How to distinguish between wild and domestic animals - effects on resulting responsibilities
- **Dr. Paolo Dalla Villa**, European Commission, DG SANCO Unit G3 Animal Welfare
Stray population management in disaster relief situations
- **Veronica Tulpan**, Head of Programmes VIER PFOTEN Romania
Obstacles by the new law and in managing stray dog population in Romania
- **Irini Molfessi**, President, Pan-Hellenic Animal Welfare Foundation
Obstacles by the new law and in managing stray dog population in Greece

13:00 – 13:15

Discussion

13:15– 14.15

Lunch

14:15 – 15.15

Part III: Best Practices in Member States

Moderation:

Dr. Monique Megens, DVM, President, Federation of European Companion
Animal Veterinary Associations (FECAVA)

Speakers:

- **Maria Boyadjyska**, Deputy Mayor of Sofia, Bulgaria
Stray dogs in Sofia
- **Dr. Rosalba Matassa**, Head of Animal Welfare Unit, Ministry of Health, Italy
The protection of cats under Italian law and the population management
- **Sara Turetta**, President of Save the Dogs, Romania
Map of municipality shelters
- **Frank Meuser**, Head of Berlin Office, Deutscher Tierschutzbund e.V., Germany
Presentation of the Odessa stray animals project in Ukraine

15:15– 15:30

Discussion

15:30 – 15:45

Coffee break

15:45 – 16.15

Part IV: Solution Strategies

Moderation:

Dr. Marlene Wartenberg, Director European Policy Office, VIER PFOTEN

Speakers:

- **Dr. ir. Ester Peeters**, Scientific advisor for the Animal Welfare Council, Belgium
The multiannual cat plan of Belgium

16:15 – 16:30

Discussion

16:30 – 17:00

Part V: Sustainable Options for dog population management in Europe

Moderation:

Dr. Christoph Maisack, Deputy Animal Welfare Officer of the Federal State of Baden-
Württemberg