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The multi-national
WOAH Collaborating Centre on Animal Welfare

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Why IZS Teramo/SCAW consortium ?

COMPLEMENTARITY: cover various areas of AW

SYNERGY: increased efficiency and effectiveness

DIFFERENT APPROACHES TO ANIMAL WELFARE

(Mediterranean approach twins with Northern approach)

ADDED VALUE FOR THE WOAHP EUROPEAN REGION: special attention to the needs of countries willing to empower WOAHP standards

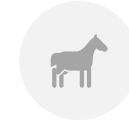


The consortium

- Mandate: each Steering Committee has the duration of a **4 year**
- Chair is appointed for a 2 year period and will be assigned alternately to IZS Teramo and SCAW
- Chairperson among the committee members from IZS Teramo/SCAW.



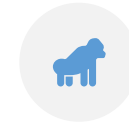
Animal Welfare in farming (terrestrial and aquatic animals)



Animal Welfare during transport (terrestrial and aquatic animals)



Animal Welfare at slaughter (terrestrial and aquatic animals)



Welfare of zoo and wild animals



Welfare of companion animals and human/animal relationship



Animal Welfare in epidemic and non-epidemic emergencies



Animal Welfare of animals used for scientific purposes



Education, training and communication on Animal Welfare



IZS Teramo SCAW CC Activity

- Contributing to the **WOAH Platform on Animal Welfare for Europe** - compliance with WOAH standards on animal welfare.
- Maintaining the **WOAH Network of Animal Welfare Collaborating Centres** in order to seek for collaboration opportunities with other centres of expertise.
- Highlighting the importance of animal welfare when implementing the **United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**.
- Contributing, via workshops, publications and courses, to the general knowledge about the **link between good animal husbandry and efficient preventive veterinary medicine** and the effects not only on animal health but also on animal welfare in general.
- Establishing a **knowledge exchange platform for sustainable animal transport**.
- Identify areas where knowledge is insufficient and **contribute to research and advice** related to animal welfare at **slaughter**.
- Providing **scientific and technical training to personnel from WOAH members** in the field of animal welfare (e.g. Twinning project with Tunisia)



Long distance transport

- Long distance transport of live animals: WOAH's standards and best practices including societal perception and communication aspects



Checklists, contingency plans...

Upcoming meetings



Animal welfare and the UN SDGs

- WOAHA animal Welfare Forum (virtual meeting) and the UN Sustainable Development Goals



Quantifying the strengths of the links between improving animal welfare and achieving the different SDGs

Interaction	Name	Explanation
+3	<u>Indivisible</u>	Inextricably linked to the achievement of another goal
+2	<u>Reinforcing</u>	Aids the achievement of another goal
+1	<u>Enabling</u>	Creates conditions that further another goal
0	<u>Consistent</u>	No significant positive or negative interactions
-1	<u>Constraining</u>	Limits options on another goal
-2	<u>Counteracting</u>	Clashes with another goal
-3	<u>Cancelling</u>	Makes it impossible to reach another goal



- Rating for each SDG:
 - How achieving the SDG would impact animal welfare



- How improving animal welfare would impact the SDG



Twinning project with Tunisia

- Training activities and knowledge exchange on AW with the National School of Veterinary Medicine and the General Direction of Veterinary Services
- Establishment of a permanent training **centre** on AW
- Support the development of revised AW legislation based on WOAHA TAHC
- Networking with other North African countries (Algeria, Morocco, Libya, Mauritania)
- Final meeting and North African Meeting on Animal Welfare was carried out in Tunis 11-14 June

Main objective

Improve the technical knowledge and skills of the National School of Veterinary Medicine (ENMV) in the field of animal welfare, and support it in the process that will eventually lead to acquire the status of WOAHA CC for Animal Welfare in the North African Sub-region



EURCAW—Ruminants & Equines

- **Sweden**, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU) including the Swedish Centre for Animal Welfare (**SCAW**)
- **Italy**, Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale dell'Abruzzo e del Molise "G. Caporale" (**IZS Teramo**)
- France, French National Institute for Agriculture, Food, and Environment (INRAE)
- Austria, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences (BOKU)
- Ireland, University College Dublin (UCD)
- Greece, Ellinikos Georgikos Organismos-Dimitra/Veterinary Research Institute (ELGO-VRI)



Training to other WOAAH members

- STOR – REMESA training course on **animal welfare during transport**
- Three online training events from July 2024 in collaboration with STOR/REMESA and WOAAH Bruxelles Subregional Representation

WOAH members involved

Training courses addressed to personnel from REMESA countries, namely Algeria, Egypt, France, Italy, Libya, Morocco, Mauritania, Portugal, Spain and Tunisia



Linking to other projects

Achievements

Best Practice Guides

- Focus areas include Dairy Calves, Dairy Heifers, Dairy Cows, and End of Career Cows

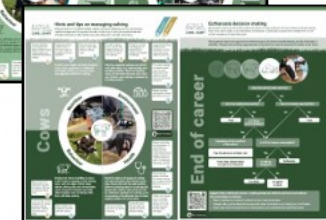
Training & Events

- More than 20 sessions among online Webinars and in person Roadshows across 9 EU Member States, with an audience of over 2,450 participants to disseminate guidelines and best practices

Resources

21 factsheets and 4 best practice guides, podcasts, videos, self-assessment tools, life stage infographics, case studies and the Care4Dairy App to improve dairy farm management (all in 7 languages)

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<http://app.care4dairy.eu>



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