

# AWIN Conference, 21<sup>st</sup> April 2015

Representation of Lower Saxony in  
European Union, Rue de Montoyer 61,  
Brussels, Belgium



## PROGRAM

**09:00-09:15 Welcome** (Dr. Mike Smith and official representatives: Lower Saxony Representative; DG Research; DG SANTE, OIE; EFSA; WVA)

**Morning Session Chair: Dr. Michael L Smith, Head of Contracts Office, SRUC.**

**09:15-09:30 Project Overview** (Dr. Adroaldo J. Zanella, USP)

**09:30-10:30 Early experience, pain recognition and mitigation**

- Practical implications of pre-natal and neonatal environments for welfare, health and productivity (Dr. I.L. Andersen, NMBU)
- Behavioural and pain biomarkers in sheep with footrot and mastitis (Dr. K. McLennan, Univ. Cambridge)
- Practical ways to achieve pain mitigation in dairy goat farms (Dr. G. Stilwell, University of Lisbon)
- Effective pain control after castration of horse stallions (Dr. D. Lebelt, Havelland Equine Hospital)

**10:30-11:00 Coffee Break – with posters**

**11:00-12:15 AWIN Welfare assessment protocols**

- On-farm welfare assessment protocols: the AWIN approach (Dr. E. Canali, UMIL)
- Dealing with diversity: developing a welfare assessment protocol to suit EU sheep farms (Dr. C. Dwyer, SRUC)
- The future of the AWIN goat welfare assessment protocol (Dr. G. Stilwell, University of Lisbon)
- Turkeys in an app: facilitating practical on-farm welfare and health assessment of commercial turkeys. (Dr. I. Estevez, Neiker-Tecnalia)
- Sharing the road that leads to improvement of Equine welfare (Dr. M. Minero, UMIL)

**12:00 -14:00 Lunch – with ‘technology desk’**

**Afternoon Session: Professor Donald Broom, University of Cambridge**

**14:00 – 15:00 Global Networks of Excellence– The Animal Welfare Science Hub**

- The educational framework which guided the AWIN project: Learning objects, apps and other innovative approaches (P. Gomes, University Positivo)
- From the field experiment to the HUB, what did we learn (Dr. J. Vas, NMBU)
- The Hub as an online teaching resource for post-graduate education and other training opportunities (Dr. F. Langford, SRUC)
- Creating a common language between designers and scientists when developing the Animal Welfare Science Hub (Dr. A. Vieira, University Positivo)

**15:00 – 16:00 Round table discussion: "What are the available mechanisms to develop coordinated global strategies for animal welfare?"** (Prof. Adroaldo J. Zanella, University of São Paulo ; Dr. Andrea Gavinelli, DG SANTE; Dr. Zeev Noga, World Veterinay Association; Dr. Tomasz Grudnik, OIE; Dr. Franck Berthe, EFSA )

**16:00-16:15 Closing statements – Adroaldo J. Zanella, University of São Paulo**

**16:15-17:00 Coffee and snacks**