“Caring for health and welfare of fish: A critical success factor for aquaculture”

Brussels, 16-17 May 2013
International Auditorium, Boulevard Roi Albert II 5,
Brussels, Belgium

Agenda

Thursday, 16 May 2013

13:30 Registration

Start of Conference

14:00 Welcome by FVE
Christophe Buhot, FVE President

Statement by EU Commission
Dario Dubolino, EU Commission - DG MARE

Official Opening Address by Irish Presidency
Martin Blake, Chief Veterinary Officer - Ireland

14:30 Session I
Aquaculture and aquatic animal health in Europe:
Current and emerging diseases

Chair of Session I: Brian Kilgallen

Overview of Aquaculture sector
Courtney Hough, FEAP - General Secretary

Mediterranean fish farming
Panos Christofilogiannis, AQUARK - Managing Director

Cold water fish farming
Brit Hjeltnes, Norwegian Veterinary Institute - Deputy Director Fish Health

Fresh water farming
Ferenc Baska, Szent István University – Associate Professor

15:40 - 16:10 Break

Shellfish
Tristan Renault, IFREMER - Responsable Unité de recherche

Discussion
## Session II

### 16:45

**Ensuring best practices in aquaculture**

*Chair of Session II: Courtney Hough*

- **Fish health:** “prevention is better than cure”  
  Sunil Kadri, Aquaculture Innovation - Director

- **Fish welfare:** “a critical success factor for aquaculture”  
  John Avizienius, RSPCA Farm Animals - Deputy Head

- **Sustainable fish farming:** “working at the human-animal-ecosystem interaction”  
  Armand Lautraite, Fish Veterinarian

**Discussion**

### 18:00

**End day I**

*Cocktail Reception*

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### Friday 17 May 2013

## Session III

### 9:00

**The role of Veterinarian in Aquatic business sector**

*Chair of Session III: Christophe Buhot*

- **Veterinary medicinal products in aquaculture**  
  Klaus Hellmann, Klifovet AG - Managing Director

- **Role and responsibilities of the veterinarian – OIE perspective**  
  Etienne Bonbon, Advisor to the OIE

- **EU Animal health law: focus on aquatic sector**  
  Barbara Logar, EU Commission - DG SANCO

- **FVE’s roadmap**  
  Christophe Buhot, FVE President

**Discussion**

10:30 – 11:00 **Break**

## Session IV

### 11:00

**Panel discussion**

*Coordinator of the panel discussion*  
Hamish Rodger

Etienne Bonbon, **OIE**
Richie Flynn, **Irish Farmers’ Association**
Jacky Le Gosles, **EU Commission DG SANCO**
Dušan Palić, **World Aquatic Veterinary Medical Association**
Neil Robertson, **IFAH-Europe**
Laura-Daniela Urdes, **University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine Bucharest**

**Closing remarks**

### 12:30

**End of Conference**