

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT



1st biennial congress

EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION OF VETERINARY LABORATORY DIAGNOSTICIANS (EAVLD)

Lelystad, The Netherlands, 15 - 17 September 2010

Aim of the congress

EAVLD is a newly formed, non profit, independent association that aims to improve veterinary and public health by providing a platform for communication among veterinary laboratory diagnosticians and to promote the highest standards in European veterinary laboratories. The first EAVLD conference will provide an ideal opportunity for communication among veterinary laboratory diagnosticians from across Europe. Themes will be chosen to ensure a broad appeal to veterinary laboratory workers in many fields. During the conference the first General meeting of EAVLD will also be held. This will allow EAVLD members to elect the governing board and to have an input into the future of the association.

Registration

Registration will be possible after the second announcement, which will also include details on accommodations and a call for abstracts. Please check our website regularly for updates. Members of the EAVLD will receive the second announcement by e-mail. Members will also have priority over non-members, and be able to register at a reduced fee.

Language

The working language of the congress will be English.

Abstracts

A call for abstracts, both for oral presentations and posters, will accompany the second announcement of the congress.

Proceedings

All contributions will be made available for the participants.

Venue

The congress will be held in Lelystad, the Netherlands, at the Central Veterinary Institute of Wageningen UR (CVI). Hotels are available in Lelystad and surrounding cities and villages. A direct train connection from Schiphol airport, taking passengers to the heart of Lelystad in approximately one hour, is available.

Lelystad is basically a city at the bottom of the sea. While it only has a very short history, it is still an interesting one. It was founded in 1967, and is the capital of a Dutch province with a total area of more than 1400 square kilometres that was almost completely reclaimed from the sea. Currently, the city of Lelystad is located at approximately 5 meters below sea level.

CVI is the national reference laboratory for the Dutch government and an international operating research institute for business life. The Central Veterinary Institute contributes to the health protection of animals and humans in the Netherlands by undertaking research on and recommending about animal diseases. The staff of about 250 highly qualified people undertakes research for a large group of clients. The research varies from specialist to multi-disciplinary. For research the focus is always on the concepts of quality and independence.





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