

# EAAP

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## Individual Member Flash-e-news

### Launch of "Animal Frontiers" in New Orleans

The launch of Animal Frontiers took place in New Orleans on July 12th during the JAM (ASAS and ADSA joint meeting). There were few speeches by the representatives of the three founding organizations: EAAP, ASAS (the American Society of Animal Science) and CSAS (the Canadian Society of Animal Science). The EAAP President, Kris Sejrsen, spoke on behalf of EAAP and expressed the importance of this magazine for EAAP and in general for the European livestock industry.

At the launch the representatives of the three organizations that created and manage Animal Frontiers, signed the Consortium agreement that details the ownership, the management and the objectives of the magazine. The Consortium was discussed at the Management Board meeting held the day before.

During the launch the first issue of the magazine was also presented. It addresses current significant for animal agriculture on the global stage, with respect to the Carbon Footprint of livestock systems (exact title is Fork to farm: the carbon footprint). The

magazine is completely open access ([www.animalfrontiers.org](http://www.animalfrontiers.org)) and only has to be paid for by those who want to receive the hard copy. It was decided that Animal Frontiers will be published quarterly and each issue will address a theme of wide interest with leading authors in those areas addressing various aspects of the theme. The goal is to reach scientists, politicians, industry leaders and the general public seeking a scientific perspective on specific issues related to animal agriculture.

The second issue of the magazine will deal with Beef Cattle industry ("Prospects for the beef industry over the next 30 years and the drivers/challenges to growth") and will be ready by early October. Chief Editor of this issue is Dunixi Gabiña. We are already working on the third issue that will be dedicated to the developments of animal breeding structures considering the genomic revolution.

### Stavanger, August 29th – September 2nd 2011: the LXII EAAP Annual meeting!

The EAAP annual meeting in Stavanger is becoming another success EAAP event. We are continue the trend established during the last years to have a very large participation. Following the latest news from Norway, more than eleven hundred participants have already registered.

There will be plenty of interesting sessions in Stavanger. We hope the plenary session titled **Advanced Technical Innovations to Meet Increasing Demand of Animal Products** will turn out to be the central moment of the annual meeting. This session will follow the lecture given by the 2011 Leroy Award recipient Miguel Angel Toro on **Challenges in Livestock Genomics**. Other very interesting sessions not to miss are:

- The joint session of **Interbull** -and the EAAP working group on **Genetic Resources** chaired by Vincent Ducrocq

- The symposium jointly organized by two consortia recipients of EU supported projects, SOLID and ANIMAL CHANGE. The title of the symposium is **Life-cycle assessment of livestock production** chaired by Pierre Gerber



## "Animal Frontiers" Management Board Meeting

- The session on **breeding for resources and environmental efficiency** chaired by Peter Lovendahl

- The session organized by the consortium recipient of EU supported projects REDNEX with title **Link between rumen genome, nutrition and milk protein synthesis** chaired by Ad Van Vuren

- The important interaction between livestock industry and environment, dealt by the session entitled **The best cow for environmental efficiency**, chaired by Marija Klopčič

- The so-called *industry sessions*, one dedicated to the latest scientific application and technologies to dairy farming, the title of the session is **New and advanced technologies applied in the dairy herd**, and another about feed industry will deal with **Increasing the nutritive value of raw materials and compound feed by feed technologies**

- The **Food and Quality symposium** with two consecutive sessions on the same day chaired by Jean-François Hocquette

- The **Sustainability symposium** chaired by Igor Stoković, Marija Klopčič and Karen Eilers
- Two sessions organized by EAAP working groups, one by the Companion Animal WG on **Genetics of health, behaviour and functional traits in dogs** chaired by Paolo Carnier and the other by the Animal Fibre WG on **Animal fibre science** chaired by Carlo Renieri

- The workshop of the Horse network with two consecutive sessions in the same day about **Equine education** chaired by Andrea Ellis
- ... and many others.



Please look at the EAAP ([www.eaap.org](http://www.eaap.org)) and at the EAAP 2011 Stavanger ([www.eaap2011.com](http://www.eaap2011.com)) websites for more details



**Industry sessions, Food and Quality symposium, Sustainability symposium are among the session scheduled in Stavanger !**

## Agreement with ADSA

A new agreement was signed between the American Dairy Science Association (ADSA) and EAAP: the **ADSA/EAAP PhD Student Travel Award**. The objective of this agreement is to support graduate students to exchange views with other students and scientists and give them an opportunity and to hear future dairy science leaders discussing the latest dairy production research, thereby extending the benefits of dairy research and education worldwide. There will be two recipients of the award every year, one from the ADSA side and one from the EAAP side. The winners are those graduate students who had the best paper related to dairy science. ADSA will propose a recipient after their annual meeting and EAAP will do the same after our meeting. The winners will be supported for the following year to attend the ADSA annual meeting (for the European winner) and the EAAP annual meeting (for the American winner).

The first winner of the 2012 ADSA/EAAP Ph.D. Student Travel Award is **Ratan Kumar Choudhary** from the Department of Animal Sciences, University of Maryland. Ratan Kumar



## EAAP Meeting and some highlights .....

Joint session of Interbull and EAAP working group on Genetic Resources

SOLID and ANIMAL CHANGE Symposia

Breeding for resources and environmental efficiency

Choudhary had an excellent paper at the JAM meeting in New Orleans with title "Expression of novel, putative stem cell markers in prepubertal and lactating bovine mammary glands" (R. K. Choudhary, C. M. Evock-Clover, and A. V. Capuco). Ratan Kumar Choudhary will be supported to attend the EAAP annual meeting in Bratislava in August 2012.

The European recipient of this program will be voted in Stavanger and will be supported to attend the Joint Annual Meeting in Phoenix (USA) in July 2012. We are looking forward to an interesting high quality competition among European graduate students coming to Stavanger.

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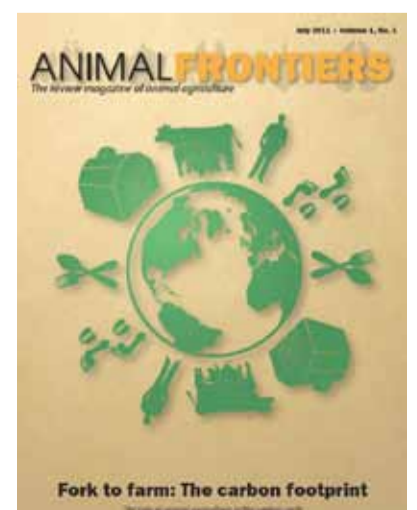
This year's program is fully sponsored by NOVUS International Inc. The Head of R & D of NOVUS International Europe, Gary Reznik, will attend the Stavanger annual meeting and he will have the chance to meet this year recipient and both EAAP and ADSA management.

## EAAP President introducing "Animal Frontiers"



The EAAP President Kris Sejrsen, speaking at the JAM Session in New Orleans (USA) for the launch of "Animal Frontiers" (on the left)

The cover of the first issue of "Animal Frontiers" (on the right)



# ASAS-ADSA meeting in New Orleans ([www.asas.org](http://www.asas.org) / [www.adsa.org](http://www.adsa.org))

The annual JAM meeting was held in July 10th-14th in New Orleans. JAM meeting is abbreviation for the Joint Annual Meeting of the American Society of Animal Science and the American Dairy Science Association.

The meeting was attended by a little more than 2900 participants and is the largest animal science meeting in the world in terms of attendance. EAAP traditionally has good relations with both ASAS and ADSA and every year EAAP has a joint program of exchanges of invited speakers with both associations. In this program we exchange up to ten invited speakers with ASAS and two with ADSA. These invited speakers are selected by the respective scientific committees and they are supported in several forms by the partner organization. We know that, because of this program, we are able to host at the EAAP annual meetings top class invited speakers from USA. In the same way the Americans are able to invite top European scientists. This year the Europeans who were invited to make a presentation in New Orleans were: Nigel Penlington (UK), Theo Niewold (Belgium) Nicolas Gengler (Belgium), Mark Crowe (Ireland), Soraya Shirazi-Beechey (UK), Kristian Daly (UK), Alex Bach (Spain), Isabelle Oswald (France), Eva Veiseth-Kent (Norway) and Jane Rogers (UK)

for the agreement with ASAS and John Robert Wallace (UK) and Didier Dupont (France) for the program EAAP has with ADSA.

The President, Kris Sejrsen, and the Secretary General, Andrea Rosati, of EAAP were also invited to attend the annual meeting. During the meeting we had meetings with ADSA and ASAS to discuss joint activities such as the speakers and the students exchange, Animal Frontiers and bundle membership EAAP had, for the second year, a booth to disseminate information about the activities of our association and to propose individual membership to the participants of the New Orleans JAM meeting.



## A new working group of Aquaculture is on its way!

After the success of last year session on aquaculture, EAAP is considering to establish a working group on this very important new field of animal science and industry. After his important input in organizing the aquaculture session at the EAAP 2010 meeting in Crete, Sofronios Papoutsoglou, was invited by the Council to write the Terms of Reference of the Aquaculture working group and to propose the names of the participants. His proposal will be considered by the EAAP Council in Stavanger. Meanwhile, after the Crete meeting and the 2010 Mediterranean symposium, the aquaculture theme is again present at this year

EAAP annual meeting with a symposia held on September 1st divided in two different sessions. In the morning the session will be about **Breeding applications in industry** (chaired by K. Kolstad) and in the afternoon session will be about **Sustainable aquaculture for the future** (chaired by M. Øverland). Stavanger is considered to be the capital of Norway's aquaculture industry and this was certainly the right place to continue the aquaculture sessions after last year in Crete, another important location for this subject. But we believe that, due to the growing importance of aquaculture

industry, EAAP will continue in the future to be active in this specific animal science in the future. And of course, we will be ready to cooperate with the specific aquaculture societies to increase our respective efficiency to disseminate science and to create networks.



## EAAP Scholarships

EAAP offers, like every year, scholarships to young scientists to participate to our annual meeting. Once again our journal **Animal** will be supporting 10 Scholars to attend the meeting

and present their papers and posters. We also wish to thank **Wageningen Academy Publishers** and **Schaumann-Stiftung** that always offer one scholarship each per year.

**SEND YOUR COMMENTS TO: [eaap@eaap.org](mailto:eaap@eaap.org)**



## Individual membership of EAAP

**G**OOD NEWS! Every individual member already registered should come to visit the EAAP offices in Stavanger anytime from Sunday 28 August to Thursday 1 September to receive the introductory package, including the **password** to have access to restricted web pages, your **individual membership cards**, etc. For those that will not be able to attend Stavanger, we will send you the information in the weeks following Stavanger.



## Free access to EAAP publications

**A**NOTHER GOOD NEWS! Please remember that only for this month everyone can freely download most of the recent books of the EAAP scientific series. There are 25 scientific books and 8 books of abstracts of passed annual meetings. After this "grace period" only registered EAAP individual members can have access to this service.

## EAAP website

EAAP is undertaking a face lift. We are in the process of changing our website – you will be able to see it in Stavanger. We are rendering our website more modern and easier to browse! We will of course inform you when we have installed it.

## Personnel NEWS

On behalf of EAAP and all its members I would like to welcome a new employee of ASAS. Madeline McCurry-Schmidt who will be working as their scientific communications associate and writing news articles, press releases and membership materials. So if you have information that can be of interest to our colleagues on the other side of the Atlantic please send it to us and we will make sure that Madeline receives it.

### Upcoming Meetings

The International Symposium on the Nutrition of Herbivores (<http://www.isnh8.org/>) will be held in Aberystwyth, Wales (UK) on 6-9 September

At the Çukurova University in Adana (Turkey), will take place the 7th National Animal Science Congress. For more information please see [www.zootekni7.org](http://www.zootekni7.org)

FAO Expert Meeting on Animal nutrition impact on animal welfare - FAO Headquarters, will be held in Rome (Italy) on 26-30 September 2011.

There will be a joint meeting of AAPA (Asociación Argentina de Producción Animal) and ASAS (American Society of Animal Science) will be held in Mar del Plata (Argentina) on October 4-7, 2011 ([www.asas.org/asas-aapa11](http://www.asas.org/asas-aapa11)). This conference will provide an international forum for scientific exchange among animal scientists throughout the world. The scientific sessions will deal with nutrition, pastures, reproduction, production systems, animal health, genetics, animal food technology, wildlife and other disciplines. The meeting languages will be English and Spanish with simultaneous translations. EAAP will participate in this meeting by organizing the genetic session. It will be a good opportunity for our organization to inform the South American animal science network about EAAP activities, meetings and to help the creation of a link of this fast growing animal science community with the European animal science network

The International Dairy Federation will be hold the World Dairy Summit in Parma (Italy) on 15-19 October 2011 ([www.wds2011.com](http://www.wds2011.com))



The horrendous episode that occurred in Oslo and on the island of Utoya was a terrible shock to all. We would like to express our condolences to those who lost friends and loved ones and to the Norwegian people.