



*Draft Conference Programme*

**Monday 28 September 2009**

***The Cellars of Cureghem, rue Ropsy Chaudron 24, 1070 Bruxelles***

*The conference marks the launch of the EU Veterinary week 2009, which promotes the "One Health" concept. The key message of the conference will be that animal diseases are having an increasing impact on public health and that therefore high standards of animal health have a positive impact on human health and consumer wellbeing.*

### **Morning Session**

- 9.30 – 10.00: *Registration and welcome coffee*
- 10.00 – 10:10: *Opening remarks*  
*by Robert Madelin, Director-General for Health and Consumers, European Commission*
- 10.10 – 10:20: *Welcome address*  
*by Androulla Vassiliou, Commissioner for Health, European Commission*
- 10:20 – 10:30: *On behalf of the Swedish Presidency*  
*Anders Lönnblad, Deputy Director General, Swedish Ministry of Agriculture*
- 10.30 – 10:50: [The Public Good Status of Veterinary Public Health](#)  
*by Bernard Vallat, Director General, World Organisation for Animal Health*

### **Plenary session on TSEs**

- 10:50 – 11:20: *Keynote speech*  
*by Dr Paul Brown, neuroscientist, USA*
- 11:20 – 11:40: [Control of the BSE epidemic in the European Union - A success story but some pending questions](#)  
*by Dr Christian Ducrot, INRA, France*
- 11:40 – 12:10: *Coffee break*
- 12:10 – 12:30: [Public health \(CJD\) and European CJD Surveillance](#)  
*by Professor Robert G. Will, UK*

12:30 – 13:00: [BSE from a consumer's viewpoint](#)

*by Sue Davies, BEUC, UK*

13:00 – 14:15: *Lunch*

## **Afternoon session**

### **"One Health" plenary session**

14:15 – 14:25: [A Global Strategy for the prevention and control of diseases](#)

*by Katinka de Balogh, Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations*

14:25 – 14:35: [WHO Strategy for Managing Zoonotic Public Health Risks at the human-animal interface](#)

*by François-Xavier Meslin, World Health Organization*

14:35 – 14:55: [Surveillance of zoonotic disease in humans in the EU](#)

*by Andrea Ammon, ECDC*

14:55 – 15:15: [Rabies – a global perspective](#)

*by Dr Thomas Müller, WHO Collaborating Centre for Rabies Surveillance and Research, OIE Reference Laboratory for Rabies, Institute of Epidemiology, Friedrich-Loeffler Institute, Germany*

15:15 – 15:35: [Do we need a novel approach to Influenza virus infections?](#)

*by Ilaria Capua, Head of Virology Department at Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale delle Venezie, Italy*

15:35 – 15:45: [EU research on neglected zoonoses](#)

*by Isabel Minguez Tudela, Research Directorate-General, European Commission*

15:45 – 16:15: *Coffee break*

### **Parallel panel discussions**

16:15 – 17:45: [Panel 1: Putting legislation to work in practice](#) (with interpretation EN-FR-DE-RU)

- Colm Gaynor (SANCO) - chair
- Nigel Gibbens (UK)
- Klaas Johan Osinga (COPA-COGECA)
- Horst Schnellhardt (MEP)
- Miklos Suth (HU)
- Flemming Thune-Stephensen (UECBV/DMA-DK)
- Walter Winding (FVE)

[Panel 2: Rabies](#)

- Bernard Van Goethem (SANCO) - chair
- Hervé Bourhy (Institut Pasteur)
- Deborah Briggs (Alliance for Rabies Control)
- Florence Cliquet (CRL rabies)
- Lea Knopf (OIE)
- François-Xavier Meslin (WHO)
- Carolin Schumacher (IFAH-Europe)

**Panel 3: TSEs** (with interpretation EN-FR-DE)

- Eric Poudelet (SANCO) - chair
- Dagmar Roth-Behrendt (MEP)
- Christian Ducrot (FR)
- Ulrich Herzog (CVO, AT)
- Riitta Majjala (EFSA)
- Joris Wijnker (UECBV)
- Robert G. Will (UK)

**Panel 4: Influenzas**

- Andrzej Rys (SANCO) - chair
- Andrea Ammon (ECDC)
- Ilaria Capua (IT)
- Thierry Chambon (UEVP)
- Vincent Martin (FAO)
- Bernard Vallat (OIE)
- Cees Vermeeren (AVEC)

18:00 – 18:30: Feedback (by the chairs of the parallel sessions)

18:30 – 18:45: [Closing speech](#)

*by Paola Testori Coggi, Deputy Director-General for Health and Consumers, European Commission*

**Evening**

18:45 – 19:30: Cocktail

19:30: Dinner at the Cellars of Cureghem