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Abstract submission 7th EPIZONE Annual Meeting open

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EFSA Satellite Meeting 7th AM EPIZONE

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New Chair Young EPIZONE

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EPIZONE Workshop on mosquito and sandfly-borne viruses

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Abstract submission tool [click here](#).

Deadline abstract submission: 31 May 2013.

June/July 2013 Notification of acceptance of abstracts.

Themes for abstract submission 7th Annual meeting EPIZONE are:

Session 1: Arboviruses with a focus on BTV and SBV

Session 2: Diagnosis

Session 3: Antivirals & Vaccines

Session 4: Legislation & Intervention strategies

Session 5: Emerging diseases

Session 6: Epidemiology & Risk Analysis

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Unexpected outbreaks of vector-borne diseases

In recent years several unexpected outbreaks of vector-borne diseases have occurred in Europe. Diseases such as West Nile fever have moved up the list of public health issues, with outbreaks in humans in Greece, Bulgaria and Croatia.

Bluetongue virus was detected well outside its known geographical range. More recently, Schmallenberg virus emerged in ruminant animal populations and rapidly spread across Europe. Non vector-borne diseases have also unexpectedly occurred in the EU, such as the spill-over of Q-fever from animals to humans in the Netherlands for example.

Because they were unexpected, these events all raise the question of their origin. Bearing in mind their zoonotic potential, they also raise the question of infectious diseases at the human animal interface. A lot has been written on the subject. The European scientific community has been actively involved in addressing the many questions related with such outbreaks.

Re-think emerging animal diseases

EFSA, the European Food Safety Authority, has performed several risk assessments published in scientific opinions of the scientific panel on animal health and welfare (AHAW).

The objective of this satellite meeting within the EPIZONE annual

meeting is to re-think emerging animal diseases, reflecting on their origins and more importantly on our level of preparedness. The workshop will also identify critical issues to be addressed in the coming years by EFSA and the scientific community in general.

- **Meeting venue:** Pacheco room (from 09.00 to 14.30) for ca. 50 participants, lunch included (first come, first served).
- **Meeting format:** oral presentations followed by a round table discussion, chaired by Simon More (AHAW Panel of EFSA).
- **The registration for the EFSA-satellite meeting**

is free but a preliminary registration for the main EPIZONE meeting is compulsory. All participants of the EPIZONE meeting can register but the number of participants is limited to 60. Only persons that registered for the EFSA satellite meeting will be admitted to the satellite meeting.

For all information 7th EPIZONE Annual Meeting see [here](#)

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Registration for the 7th AM up to 250 participants.

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- **Early Registration** deadline: 12 July 2013
- **Late registration deadline** (on-site registration as from this date): 25 September 2013

See for the participation fees [here](#)

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YE programme at 7th AM in Brussels

The Young EPIZONE (YE) core team has already begun their preparation for the next YE meeting. This meeting will take place on October 1st during the 7th EPIZONE Annual Meeting in Brussels. Interesting workshops to improve your scientific skills will be given by a professional trainer and you will have the opportunity to network with other young (and senior) scientists from all over Europe. So if you want to be a part of this YE network, please send an email to young@epizone-eu.net with your name, institute, position and contact details, and you will be kept up to date! YE is also looking for young scientists who would like to act as point of contact for their institute. Feel free to contact YE for any further information.

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So from now on you can address all your questions, comments, suggestions,.. regarding YE to Toon.

He is looking forward to collaborate with you!

Short CV Toon Rosseel

After my studies of Bioscience engineering I started to work as research assistant at the Belgian Veterinary and Agrochemical Research Center (CODA-CERVA). After 2 years I decided to start a PhD. I'm now in my second year of PhD. The research focuses on viral genome sequencing by random priming methods as tools for identification and genomics. I'm also part of the Epi-Seq EMIDA ERA-NET project, which is focused on using next generation sequencing technologies for veterinary virology.

For more information please send an email to: young@epizone-eu.net

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The meeting was opened by Wim van der Poel EPIZONE coordinator, and the sessions were chaired by Dr. Michele Dottori of IZSLER and Dr. Gioia Capelli of IZSve.

Presentations

During the meeting six very interesting and comprehensive scientific presentations were given.

- A presentation on the wide range of viruses carried by mosquito's was given by dr. Calzolari of IZSLER.
- Prof. Charrel (Universite de la Mediterranee) presented sandfly transmitted viruses.
- Dr. Savini of IZSAM presented the studies on the Usutu virus outbreak in Italy.
- Prof. Dobbler of the University of Munich presented his studies on the spread of Tick-borne encephalitis virus (TBEV) in Europe.
- Prof Hubulek from the Univeristy of Brno gave an overview of arboviruses circulating in Europe and
- Dr. Bellini of the Centro Agricoltura e Ambiente presented

Biobank

After all presentations time was taken to discuss the different issues and share recent research results. On the first day after lunch the IZSLER work to build a biobank for research was demonstrated by Dr. Ferrari. The workshop was held in very good atmosphere. During the coffee breaks and during the lunches all attendees had good opportunity to meet and share experiences. EPIZONE wants to thank Dr. Dottori (IZSLER) and Dr. Marangon (IZSve) and their teams for organising this meeting. All presentation will be made available through the EPIZONE website.

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