



# Animal Welfare Center - present and future -

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# Past



- Idea from Teramo meeting
- Step by step development
- Official Animal Welfare Center started with work on 01/07/2013 as the part of Croatian Veterinary Institute.

# Past

- Big support to the idea was given from the Croatian Ministry of Agriculture and especially Animal Welfare Department.
- Director of the CVI recognized capacity and possibilities of the general idea, and gave us a big support in the development of first Croatian Animal Welfare Center.

# Present

- Since then AWC – CVI was involved in activities of:
  1. Two FP7 projects (AWARE and EuWellNet),
  2. Proposition of OIE twinning project on the topic of AW with great support of IZSAM Teramo,
  3. Included in pre-proposal of one Horizon 2020 project



# Present



4. Included in EFSA's AHAW group (appointed by Croatian Food Agency)

5. Colaboration with RSPCA and WBVN for AW on the Regional Advisory Board development

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# Main goals of the project

- Formalization of RAB which will set and advice the development of Animal Welfare in the Region.
- This body should work on three levels:
  1. Policy developers,
  2. Industrial support,
  3. Help for experts (young researchers, workshops..)

# Policy

- Croatian Veterinary Institute applied towards Croatian Ministry of Agriculture, State Veterinary Office for expert assistance on 1099/2009 Regulation.
- We have also applied to be appointed as contact point to EC on the same Regulation.

# Policy makers

- RAB should provide recommendation on different topics;
- This recommendation then can be forwarded to Policy makers in the region, and help them with Policy development.



# Industrial assistance

- Assistance towards the Industry on few different levels:
- educational programs/vocational training;
- Vocational guidance and consulting on specific topics.
- ...

# Help for experts

- To provide help for young researchers, PhD students through:
- Workshops,
- Summer school programs,
- Similar activities.

# Model for RAB

- Croatian Veterinary Institute will coordinated activities of Regional Advisory Board,
- In partnership with RSPCA will be made a selection of AW experts from the region;
- Experts will be divided in few working Groups probably on the species/topics/areas of concern.
- Region of activities is based on WBVN.

# Priority map

- Focus groups on tomorrow's agenda should produce priority map of future activities.
- We hope to produce major conclusion, so that we can plan future activities into the project.

# RAB – FAWC?

- Based on his great experience, David will tomorrow provide us with possible models of work.
- Focus groups should also decide of the most suitable future model for the region.
- Model need to be applicable to the whole region.

# Conclusion

- RSPCA will financially support Regional Advisory Board in the next two years.
- We will do our best to find other possibilities to finance the Regional Advisory Board after that.
- Animal Welfare Center Network?



THE END



Thank you for your attention!

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