

ISAE South-West Europe regional meeting 2026

Day 1 (18th June 2026)

**Theme: First Scientific Workshop: Introduction to Omics for Animal Health and Welfare
EUPAH&W ANEW-HEALTH Project**

Venue: Polo Universitario di Lodi

13:00 – 13:30 | Registration

13:30 – 16:45 | Training session

Day 1 (18th June 2026) SWE Regional Meeting

17:30 – 19:30 | Welcome cocktail & Poster presentation

Day 2 (19th June 2026)

Theme: Welfare Assessment on Farm and Companion Animals

Venue: Polo Universitario di Lodi

09:00 – 09:30 | Welcome (M. Minero)

09:30 – 10:15 | Plenary Talk: The Evolution of Farm Animal Welfare

Indicators and Assessment Protocols (E. Canali)

10:15 – 11:00 | Scientific Session (Chair: S. Barbieri, G. Pesenti Rossi)

10:15-10:30	Effects of live <i>Tenebrio molitor</i> larvae enrichment on growth performance and behaviour in weaned piglets fed diets differing in crude protein levels	M. Dell'Anno ; G. Pesenti Rossi; A. Bianchi; S. Frazzini; S. Barbieri; L. Rossi
10:30-10:45	Evaluation of mineral deficiencies in beef cattle on arrival in Italian fattening farms	S. Bordin , C. Marcon, F. Martignago, M. Simioni, M. Soncin, A. Barberio, L. Magrin
10:45-11:00	Welfare assessment protocol of unweaned dairy calves: A pilot study on UK dairy farms	V. Bocchi ; S. Mahendran; H. Fitzsimmonds; N. Blackie; B. Padalino

11:00 – 11:30 | Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:45 | Scientific Session (Chair: F. Dai, E. Dalla Costa)

11:30-11:45	AWIN-based assessment of horse welfare across different management conditions in Northern Italy	M. Lamanna ; T. Danese; M. Isabel Martini; G. A. Cacciotti; G. Giuliani; G. Martelli; E. Nannoni; D. Cavallini
11:45-12:00	Seasonal and interannual changes in welfare indicators of outdoor group-housed horses	E. Atallah , F. Cerasoli, V. Antognoli, C. Maccario, G. Saluti, M. Ricci, R. Rosato, E. Dalla Costa
12:00-12:15	Computer vision for automated welfare assessment in farm and companion animals	C. Giannone ; C. Maccario; E. Dalla Costa; M. Bovo; D. Torreggiani, P. Tassinari

12:15-12:30	Exploring the impact of housing on circadian rhythm of lying behavior in horses	C. Maccario ; A. Philippot; E. Atallah; E. Dalla Costa
12:30-12:45	Non-invasive monitoring of hemodynamics in veterinary and animal sciences by advanced photonic techniques	D. Contini; L. Spinelli; A. Torricelli

12:45 – 14:00 | Lunch Break

14:00 – 14:45 | Plenary Talk: Current Approaches to Welfare Assessment

in Companion Animals (E. Prato Previde)

14:45 – 15:45 | Scientific Session (Chair: S. Cannas, C. Palestri)

14:45-15:00	A review on cat welfare assessment: existing methods applicable in Animal-Assisted Services (AAS)	C. Borrelli; G. Russo; K. L. Overall; C. Mariti
15:00-15:15	Potential issues regarding cat welfare in Animal Assisted Services (AAS): a survey for veterinarians and cat handlers based in Italy	G. Russo ; C. Borrelli; B. Bellettini; C. Siliprandi; C. Mariti
15:15-15:30	An Integrated Non-Lethal Deterrence Solution Approach to Mitigate Wolf-Livestock Conflicts	L. Martin ; G. Peruzzi; M. Bertocco; N. Trivellin and A. Pozzebon
15:30 -15:45	Breed, bite and risk: characterising dog aggression patterns in Lombardy (Italy)	A. Garegnani ; S. Boero; S. Cannas; C. Palestri

15:45 – 16:00 | Coffee Break

16:00 – 16:45 | Scientific Session (Chair: E. Atallah, C. Giannone)

16:00-16:15	Does social isolation in donkeys affect lying behaviour? A case study	E. Basso Ricci , E. Atallah, C. Maccario, E. Di Carli, F. Dai, J. Hockenhull and E. Dalla Costa
16:15-16:30	Hands off equid welfare assessment: a preliminary validation of video-based scoring	F. Dai , L. Santini, M. Chincarini, D. Doyle, A. Kassaye, L. Kubasiewicz, S. Norris, K. Rickards, R. Sullivan, T. Watson, S. Worth, J. Rodrigues
16:30-16:45	Analysis Around the Clock: Wrist Actigraphy for Sleep Measures on Horses	Â. Perrone Barbosa ; J. de Fraipont Castañon; T. Marcelo de Oliveira; R. Y. Arantes Baccarin

16:45 – 17:00 | Best oral presentation and best poster awards

17:00 – Closing

Presented posters:

Uncovering horse sleep deprivation: the role of lying behavior assessed via accelerometry for accurate diagnosis	C. Maccario ; E. Atallah; E. Dalla Costa
Use of the esophageal tube for colostrum administration in calves: implications for animal welfare	G. Sesana ; G. Pesenti Rossi; E. Canali
Welfare assessment of sheep reared in marginal areas: the influence of seasonality and management	E. Atallah , L. Grosso, F. Cerasoli, G. Saluti, M. Ricci, R. Rosato, G. Centorotola, M. Podaliri, L. Iannetti and E. Dalla Costa
Can the assessment of discomfort behaviour be a useful tool to predict EGUS severity in horses?	M. Bordini ; C. Maccario; F. Bindi; E. Atallah; M. Sgorbini; E. Dalla Costa

Separation anxiety in a guinea pig (<i>cavia porcellus</i>) and infantilization of adult male behaviour caused by maternal stress in pregnancy. Case study, long term observation March – November 2024	M. C Rolla ; C. Palestirini; S. Cannas; A. Garegnani; S. Boero
Temporary competition housing as an adaptive challenge for Quarter Horses: endocrine and thermographic indicators of stress responsiveness	S. M. Mazzola ; E. Dalla Costa; S. Cannas; M. Minero
Housing systems and management practices of pre-weaned dairy calves in Lombardy: results from a field survey on welfare-oriented housing strategies	G. Pesenti Rossi ; A. Gastaldo; A. Motta; M. Borciani; S. Barbieri; E. Canali
Using Qualitative Behaviour Assessment (QBA) to Evaluate Depression-Like Behaviour in Shelter Dogs	S. Boero ; C. Palestirini; N. Liuzzi; A. Garegnani; G. V. Berteselli; S. Cannas
Use of Nutraceutical Supplements for Behavioural Problems in Dogs and Cats: A Survey of Veterinarians Perceived Outcomes	B. C. Cortesi ; C. Palestirini; S. Cannas
Sheep and goats kept for non-productive purposes: from clinical findings to the development of an owner knowledge questionnaire to improve welfare	G. Sala ; F. Colla; G. Pesenti Rossi; S. Barbieri; A. Boccardo, D. Pravettoni