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Animal welfare priorities around the world UFAW International Animal Welfare Symposium Barcelona 4-5th July 2013

As part of its on-going programme of international meetings, the Universities Federation for Animal Welfare (UFAW) is holding a symposium this year at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 4-5th July.

The importance of science in elucidating and tackling animal welfare problems is increasingly recognised worldwide. This symposium aims to provide a forum for all those active or interested in animal welfare science and its application around the world to discuss current topics and international variation in priorities, concerns and approaches to animal welfare science.

The meeting will feature two days of presentations by speakers from many different countries including: Victoria Braithwaite, Pennsylvania State University, USA; Christine Nicol, University of Bristol, UK; Vijitha Perera, National Wildlife Training Centre, Sri Lanka; and Christoph Winckler, University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences, Austria. There will also be a special session on 'Building international links in animal welfare science'.

The full programme of presenters, registration and accommodation information, is available at <http://www.ufaw.org.uk/conf.html>, or from Dr Stephen Wickens, UFAW Barcelona 2013, UFAW, The Old School, Brewhouse Hill, Wheathampstead, Herts AL4 8AN. Telephone 01582 831818, email wickens@ufaw.org.uk.

UFAW, the International Animal Welfare Science Society, is an independent scientific and educational animal welfare charity that promotes high standards of welfare for farm, companion, laboratory and captive wild animals and those with which we interact in the wild.

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Note to Editors:

The Universities Federation for Animal Welfare (UFAW) is an internationally recognised, independent scientific and educational animal welfare charity. It works to improve knowledge and understanding of animals' needs in order to achieve high standards of welfare for farm, companion, research, captive wild animals and those with which we interact in the wild.

UFAW improves animal welfare worldwide through its programme of awards, grants and scholarships; by educational initiatives, especially at university and college level; by providing information in books, videos, reports and in its scientific journal *Animal Welfare*; by providing expert advice to governments and others, including for legislation and 'best practice' guidelines and codes; and by working with animal keepers, scientists, vets, lawyers and all those who care about animals.

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