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Subject: Invitation

Dear Sirs,

In the framework of the “Better Training for Safer Food” Initiative (BTSF) of the Directorate-General for Health and Consumers of the European Commission (DG SANCO), Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale dell’Abruzzo e del Molise “G. Caporale” has been entrusted with the organisation of **fourteen** training courses on “animal welfare in farms, animal welfare at the time of killing of animals and animal welfare during transport to be held mainly for EU Member States” in 2013 and 2014 (Executive Agency for Health and Consumers – EAHC - , Contract N. 2012 96 04).

In 2014 **nine** training courses will be organised, according to the table below:

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Name of the course	Date and place	Deadline for applications
Animal welfare in pig production	21 - 24 January 2014, Italy	16 December 2013
Animal welfare at the time of killing at slaughter	18 – 21 February 2014, Italy	16 December 2013
Animal welfare in poultry productions (laying hens and chickens kept for meat production)	11 - 14 March 2014, Italy	30 January 2014
Animal welfare in killing for disease control	8 – 11 April 2014, Spain	30 January 2014
Animal welfare in pig production	12 – 15 May 2014, Denmark	30 January 2014
Animal welfare during transport	24 – 27 June 2014, Poland (tbc)	30 January 2014
Animal welfare in killing for disease control	23 – 26 September 2014, Italy	30 May 2014
Animal welfare in poultry productions (laying hens and chickens kept for meat production)	21 – 24 October 2014, United Kingdom	30 May 2014
Animal welfare in pig production	25 – 28 November 2014, Denmark	30 May 2014

Eligible participants in the training courses should correspond to the profiles approved by the European Commission:

Animal welfare in poultry production (laying hens and broiler chickens kept for meat production)
Official Veterinarians belonging to the National Competent Authorities of EU Member States, Candidate and Third Countries, involved in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ official controls on animal welfare aspects concerning the farming of laying hens and chickens kept for meat production.
Animal welfare in pig production
Official Veterinarians belonging to the National Competent Authorities of EU Member States, Candidate and Third Countries, involved in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ official controls on animal welfare aspects concerning the farming of pigs.



Animal welfare at the time of killing (at slaughter and for disease control)
Official Veterinarians belonging to the National Competent Authorities of EU Member States, Candidate and Third Countries, involved in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ official controls to assess standard operating and monitoring procedures and on the role of the animal welfare officer for specific group of species (poultry, ruminants and pigs); ✓ assessment of lairage facilities and animal handling.
Animal welfare during transport
Official Veterinarians belonging to the National Competent Authorities of EU Member States, Candidate and Third Countries, involved in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ enforcement of legislation on animal transport; ✓ official controls on document, structural and physical aspects of animal transport.

Candidates should demonstrate to have knowledge of scientific principles which inspire and support Animal Welfare Policies and to have experience in the implementation of European norms or OIE International Standards.

It should be clear from their background and professional skills that the participation in the training activity will be a key element for the improvement of their daily work.

Once back in their own Country, they should be able to contribute in knowledge transfer and commit themselves in disseminating the information received, promoting cascade training activities at central and/or peripheral level.

At least, **upper-intermediate English** knowledge is required, since it is the official working language during BTSF training courses.

Travel and subsistence allowances of participants are **fully funded by the project**. For this reason, we kindly recommend to avoid any cancelation issuing travel tickets.

Registered participants will be contacted by e-mail few weeks before the course: the organisers will provide relevant information concerning the training course and the travel agency in charge of ticket issuing will send a flight booking. Each relevant NCP will be in copy to this communication in order to ensure that the participant receives the flight booking. **If the travel agency does not receive any feedback from the participant by 48 hours, the ticket will be issued without any possibility to change it** (silence will be considered as acceptance),

Once the ticket has been issued, any change/cancellation will be at charge of participants, except in case of illness documented by a medical certificate.

Considering the above mentioned pre-requisites and information, National Competent Authorities receiving this invitation are kindly requested to select appropriate candidates.

Candidate registration procedure is WEB based, in order to facilitate the data collection process. The project website is available at: www.sancostraining.izs.it. A restricted area of it is dedicated to National Contact Points for BTSF and other invited Authorities in charge of identifying and register participants. To enter in this area a login procedure is required.

Your username is the English name of your country and your password is the same, both in capital letters (e.g.: *username*: ITALY, *password* : ITALY).



In the restricted area, a specific section describes individual country participation quotas for training courses to be held in 2014. Please pay attention to them and to the established deadlines for submitting application forms. They might partially change due to new developments and/or requests coming from the DG SANCO; in such a case a notification will be send to National Competent Authorities in charge of the enrolment procedure.

The application form (available in the same restricted area), has to be submitted for each candidate, in order to provide relevant personal data and other useful information.

If you wish, you can identify a number of participants exceeding the allocated seats, to be considered as participants in case of drop-outs.

The recruitment procedure is important for the success of the initiative in terms of achievement of learning objectives, proper management of training events and effective use of public financial resources. To this end, we sincerely count on your professional support.

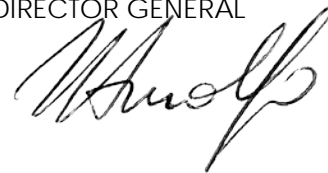
If you need further information or if you have any problem to fill in the online application form, do not hesitate in contacting Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale dell' Abruzzo e del Molise "G. Caporale", Training Unit for SANCO, at sancotraining@izs.it.

Thank you in advance for your kind collaboration.

Yours sincerely,

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