

EUROPSKA ASOCIJACIJA ZA ANIMALNU PROIZVODNJU E A A P

Predgovor

Ovom prilikom navodimo glavne podatke u EAAP na engleskom jeziku, ovako kako je predstavljena europskoj javnosti povodom 44. godišnje konferencije u Aarhusu (Danskoj), u kolovozu 1993. godine.

Počeci europske suradnje u području stočarstva datiraju od prvih godina ovoga stoljeća (1912).

EAAP je utemeljena u Parizu 1949. godine ugovorom 12 zemalja. U 1989. godini ova asocijacija obilježila je 40. godišnjicu sa 38 članica.

Organi Asocijacije su Generalna skupština, Vijeće, Sekretarijat, Izdavački savjet i sedam komisija: animalna genetika, hranidba životinja, menagement i zdravlje, govedarska proizvodnja, ovčarska i kozarska proizvodnja, svinjogojska proizvodnja i konjogojstvo.

Službeni radni jezici su engleski, francuski i njemački. EAAP ima i specijalne odbore: etika, upravljanje životinjama i image animalne proizvodnje; visoko obrazovanje i usavršavanje; metode rada i upravljanje.

Ima 15 aktivnih radnih grupa.

Ad-hoc aktivnosti odnose se na brojne simpozije, seminare, okrugle stolove i radionice s različitim temama.

Godišnji sastanci traju 4 dana s oko 600 priopćenja. Održavaju se u različitoj zemlji svake godine.

Asocijacija suređuje s FAO, nekoliko internacionalnih vladinih (ICAMAS, OIE, EC i druge) i ne-vladinih organizacija (CEA, CIGR, FEFAC, ICAI, IDF, IGA, IFAP, WPSA, WVA i druge).

Ima bliske odnose s ICAR (International Committee for Animal Recording).

U 1986. godini EAAP je u suradnji s FAO utemeljila EAAP/FAO Global Data Bank for Animal Genetic Resources (Globalna banka podataka o genetskim resursima farmskih životinja).

Od 1974. godine EAAP publicira oficijalni časopis Livestock Production Science. Specijalne EAAP publikacije su izvještaji (proceedings) brojnih simpozija. Posebno je interesantno treće izdanje riječnika stočarske terminologije (Dictionary of Animal Agriculture Terminology).

THE EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION FOR ANIMAL PRODUCTION E A A P

THE EARLY YEARS

The beginning of a European cooperation in the field of animal production dates back to the first years of our century. In 1912, at the jubilee of the creation of the Veterinary College of Lyon, an "International Union of Professors of Animal Production Science" was constituted. The first World War put an end to this project. Contacts between the animal production specialists beyond national boundaries were cemented during the first three international congresses on animal production held in Brussels (1910), Den Haag-Scheveningen (1923) and Liège (1930). However, at none of these congresses was the question of cooperation between specialists working in the field of animal production by joining in one "international" organization developed. Finally, in March 1937 Dr. W. Engeler, Switzerland, proposed the creation of a European federation for animal production.

THE RECENT PAST

After the war a meeting was held in Milan on the 28 June 1948, to prepare draft Statutes based on the resolutions adopted in 1939 and 1947 in Zurich. In Paris on 11 March 1949 the project was finalized and the "European Association for Animal production" was created. On 7 November 1949 12 countries signed the agreement, namely Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, the Federal Republic of Germany, Iran, Italy, Morocco, The Netherlands, Spain, Switzerland and Tunisia.

THE GEOGRAPHIC SPACE

In 1989 the European Association for animal Production celebrated its 40th anniversary. During these forty years the Association has played an important role in the development of animal production in Europe and the Mediterranean basin. Today EAAP has a unique and valuable backbone of professionals, scientists, economists and administrators serving the region's animal production interests.

In the field of cooperation across political, geographic and cultural borders, EAAP has been a pioneer. Out of 47 countries of Europe and the Mediterranean only nine are not members of the Association. This is quite remarkable for a professional non-governmental international organization, particularly as six of these are the new countries born out of the splitting of the USSR.

THE ORGANS OF THE ASSOCIATION

(1) The General assembly, which is composed of representatives of each member organization, and which meets annually, generally in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the Association;

(2) The Council, which is composed of the President and eight Councilors, who

must come from nine different countries. Members are elected for six years, and are not eligible for reelection. The Board (President, Vice-President, Secretary General and possibly other members nominated by the Council) is entrusted by the Council with the supervision and management of current affairs between Council meetings. The Council is composed of 1/3 scientists, 1/3 professionals and 1/3 administrators and academics.

(3) the Secretariat in Rome, which has a full-time staff headed by the Secretary General.

(4) the Committee of Auditors, which independently audits the Association's financial affairs;

(5) the Seven Study Commissions, which are set up to deal with specific scientific, technical and economic areas within the field of animal production.

THE SEVEN COMMISSIONS

- Commission on Animal Genetics
- Commission on Animal Nutrition
- Commission on Animal Management and Health
- Commission on Cattle Production
- Commission on Sheep and Goat Production
- Commission on Pig Production
- Commission on Horse Production

WORKING LANGUAGES

ENGLISH, FRENCH AND GERMAN

EAAP SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- 1 - ETHICS, ANIMAL WELFARE AND THE IMAGE OF ANIMAL AGRICULTURE
- 2 - HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING
- 3 - WORKING METHODS AND GUIDELINES

SOME ACTIVE WORKING GROUPS

- 1 animal production under tropical and subtropical conditions
- 2 animal physiology
- 3 carcass evaluation
- 4 animal genetic resources
- 5 mediterranean systems of animal production
- 6 microelectronics in animal breeding
- 7 efficiency of dairy cows
- 8 feed resources in Europe
- 9 protein evaluation of ruminant feeds

- 10 systems of cattle production in the Mediterranean area
- 11 fur sheep breeds (subcommission)
- 12 data collection schemes for the evaluation of production systems at flock level
- 13 wool and hair production
- 14 artificial insemination in horses
- 15 standards of information in horses. etc.

AD-HOC ACTIVITIES

The organization organizes Annual Meetings and numerous symposia, seminars, round-tables and workshops dealing with different topics. The Annual Meeting, which runs over 4 days and at which actually 600 reports are presented, is held in a different country each year.

The Association also sponsors specialized symposia, e.g.:

- the Symposia on Energy Metabolism (every four years)
- the Symposia on Protein Metabolism and Nutrition (every four years)
- the Annual Symposia on Mediterranean Agriculture
- the Biennial Lactation Biology Symposia (with ASAS)
- the Biennial European Reproduction Physiology Symposia.

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

The Association collaborates with FAO, which has granted it a specialized consultative status (The Director, Animal Production and Health Division, attends ex officio the EAAP Council meetings), and with other international governmental (ICAMAS, OIE, EC etc.) and non-governmental organizations (CEA, CIGR, FEFAC, ICAI, IDF, IGA, IFAP, WPSA, WVA and others) interested in animal production. It has a close relationship with ICAR (International Committee for Animal Recording). The Association is also a member of the World Association for Animal Production (WAAP), the Secretariat of which is presently also located at the EAAP office in Rome.

- In particular in 1986 EAAP, in collaboration with FAO, established the EAAP/FAO Global Data Bank for Animal Genetic resources. This bank, with information on cattle, sheep, goats, horses, buffaloes and pigs, was set up in Hannover (Germany).

JOURNAL AND NEWSLETTER

In 1974 the European Association started its official journal *Livestock Production Science*, published by Elsevier Science Publishers. The Editor-in-Chief was H. de Boer from 1974-1988, and R.D. Politiek since 1988. It now has sixteen issues per year and publishes original research papers, comprehensive reviews and reports of EAAP working groups. Two or three of these issues/year are devoted to specific topics of interest (eg. the environment, lactation biology, etc.). The last issue of each Volume

(3 per year) contains a newsletter section (EAAP - NEWS) with information on current and future events, and on activities of the EAAP and its member organizations. This section is also open for exchange of views on current topics.

SPECIAL EAAP PUBLICATIONS

- Special EAAP publications, mainly symposia proceedings, are also published.
- To-date 60 special publications saw the light and 10 others are in preparation (PUDOC Publishers).
- EAAP publishes the "international" (English/French/German/Spanish) dictionary of animal agriculture terminology; the third updated edition is now in print (ELSEVIER Publishers).

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