Monday, March 12th 2018
Workshop ‘Animal Welfare: Assessment & Indicators’
Zoomarine - Cinema Room
09:00am – 06:00pm
08:15am – 12:15pm Registration

46th Annual Symposium EAAM
Tuesday, March 13th 2018
06:30pm – 10:00pm Conference Registration
ICEBREAKER
Hotel Antonella
07:00pm – 10:00pm

Wednesday, March 14th 2018
Zoomarine - Cinema Room
08:00am – 12:00pm Conference Registration

09:00am – 09:20am
Official Symposium opening – Welcome of the Authorities

09:20am – 10:20am
Invited speaker Letizia Marsili, “Dangerous relations”: the invisible contamination of the seas and the Cetacean risk.

10:20am – 11:00am
Andreini, R.*, Eljarrat, E., Barceló, D., Franzellitti, S., Zaccaroni, A.
Fireproof sperm whales: flame retardants in tissues of stranded animals.
Zaccaroni, A.* Healthy as a fish? Hidden risks from fish eating.

11:00am – 11:40am
Coffee break (Taverna La Famiglia) Sponsor SO.CO.GE.SE

11:40am – 01:00pm
Feces as non-invasive tool to predict trace elements exposure in seals.
Zaccaroni, A*, Hoseini, S-H, Namroodi, S, Shirazi, A S Trace elements exposure in Caspian seals: threat to conservation?

01:00pm – 02:20pm
Lunch buffet (Taverna La Famiglia)
02:20pm – 04:00pm
van Elk, C.E.*, Mercera, B.*, Mellin, M., Garcia Hartmann, M., Zaccaroni, A. Case report of a bottlenose dolphin (Tursiops truncatus) with Cushing’s disease.
Sanchez-Contreras, GJ*, Benaglia, F, Biancani, B., Gili, C. Medical handling of a recidivant abscess on the perineum of a male bottlenose dolphin (Tursiops truncatus).
Giolito, D.* Prevention in 8 seconds – The strength of images.

04:00pm – 04:40pm
Coffee break (Taverna La Famiglia)

04:40pm – 06:00pm
Poster session / MM TAG Meeting

Thursday, March 15th 2018
Zoomarine - Cinema Room
08:00am – 12:00pm Conference Registration

09:00am – 10:00am
Invited speaker Lorenzo Rojas Bracho, Vaquita (Phocoena sinus) grand challenges in the conservation of a critical endangered species

10:00am – 11:00am
MARCET Project: International and Multidisciplinary Network for the conservation of cetaceans and the promotion of a sustainable tourism associated with whale watching activity in the Macaronesian waters.

Felipo, M.*, Rubio-Guerri, C., Martínez, A., O’Connor, E. Immune system characterization in bottlenose dolphin (Tursiops truncatus) to assess animal health and welfare.
Sanchez-Okrucky, R.*, Rangel-Martínez, C., Morales-Vela, B. Determination of physiological variables related to physical activity in bottlenose dolphins (Tursiops truncatus) under human care and jumping horses during a training session.
Vaicekauskaite R.*, Schneider N. J., Delfour F. Does environmental enrichment improve welfare in animals under human care: a case study of two Harbor Seals (Phoca vitulina)
11:00am – 11:40am  Coffee break (Taverna La Famiglia)

11:40am – 01:00pm  Clegg, I. L. K.*, Rödel, H. G., Boivin, X., Delfour, F. Dolphins looked forward to non-food interactions with their trainers: anticipatory behaviour as a welfare tool


Schulz, B.*, Rath, D. Sex-Sorting 2.0: A powerful tool for population management and conservation of marine mammal species is finally available for routine applications

Latson, E.* Potential problems with the use of chlorine, bromine and ozone in marine mammal life support systems

01:00pm – 02:10pm  Lunch buffet (Taverna La Famiglia) Sponsor SEAFOODIA

02:10pm – 04:10pm  (Short Talks)  Giolito, D.* “PVAP Dolphin Breath” and “PVAP Baby Dolphins”. New tools for monitoring neonate dolphins

Alario T.* Seafoodia

Dudzinski, K.M.*, Hill, H.M., Botero-Jaramillo, M. Coding Contact: Clarifying Methods and Functional Units for Comparison Across Taxa

Ruiz, R.*, Henderson, C.*, Sladova, V., Belgic, B. Recognition of symbols, the association of the geometric shapes and the use of abstract concepts in bottlenose dolphins (Tursiops truncatus) as a mental stimulation program.

Böye, M. *, Kremers, D., Celerier, A., Schaal, B., Campagna, S., Trabalon, M., Hausberger, M., Lemasson, A. Sensory Perception in Cetaceans: Promising Experimental Approaches to Study Chemoreception in Dolphins

Casas, A. *, Borque Espinosa, A., Ferrero Fernandez, D., Suárez, M-L., Muñoz Caballero, P., García Párraga, D., Capaccioni Azzati, R., Fahman, A. Lung function and metabolic rate in a beluga calf (Delphinapterus leucas): the first measurements on respiratory capacity and energy requirements during early development stages.


Pócsai A.*, Gnone G., Espositi E., Gili C., Friard O., Gamba M., Favaro L. Contextual use of signature and non-signature whistles in a group of bottlenose dolphins under human care

04:10pm – 04:50pm  Coffee break (Taverna La Famiglia)

04:50pm – 06:00pm  AGM (close meeting)

08:00pm – 00:00am  Gala Dinner at Hotel Antonella
Friday, March 16th 2018
Zoomarine - Cinema Room
08:00am – 10:00pm Conference Registration

SCIENTIFIC AGENDA

09:00am – 10:00am
Invited speaker Grey Stafford, Churchill or St. Francis of Assisi? Charting a successful path forward for modern zoos & aquariums in the 21st century

10:00am – 11:20am

Henderson, C.*, Garcia, M., Ruiz, R. Early stimulation and the introduction to operant conditioning in a newborn (Tursiops truncatus) that focuses on husbandry, health conditions, and reproductive success.

van der Heul, S.*, Schrijvers T.* Improving parental care of an unexperienced female Bottlenose dolphin (Tursiops truncates) by training.

Welsh, T.*, Ward, S. Implications of Trainer – Animal Interactions on Mother – Calf Interactions in the Bottlenose Dolphin (Tursiops truncatus)

11:20am – 12:00am
Coffee break (Taverna La Famiglia)

12:15pm – 12:45pm
Dolphins’ demonstration

12:50pm – 01:30pm
Closing Symposium

01:30pm – 02:50pm
Lunch buffet (Taverna La Famiglia)

02:50pm – 05:20pm
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