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1. Name, hours and date

WELFARE OF THE DAIRY COW: updating concepts

2 day continuing education course/seminar (16 hours) organized by the Animal Welfare Group of the Faculty of Veterinary Science at the Universidad Austral de Chile, to be held in Valdivia, prior to the WBC 2010-Santiago, November 11th and 12th of 2010.

2. Organization and lectures

The lectures will be offered in English or Spanish, depending on the origin of speakers, no translation will be available.

3. Location and facilities

Campus Isla Teja, Universidad Austral de Chile, Valdivia, Chile.

4. Brief description

This continuing education course will provide participants with up to date information on the main problems affecting welfare and health in dairy cows, and offer a scenario for discussion.

5. Number of participants

The course is directed to professionals working in dairy farming and the dairy industry in general, as well as in governmental institutions. The number of participants is not limited.

6. Program:

Cow comfort: Importance of proper design of cubicles for the welfare of the cow, feeders and food preference, health risks in transition cows.

Cow lameness: Environment impact on claw function, claw health and cow welfare, Influences of flooring systems on structure and function of the claw

Handling and Transport of culled dairy cows

7. Speakers

Dr. Marina von Keyserlingk, BSc, MSc, PhD, University of British Columbia

Dr. Dan Weary, PhD, University of British Columbia

Dr. Christoph Muelling, DVM, Dr med vet, University of Calgary

Dr. Karen Schwarzkopf-Genswein, PhD, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

Dr. Néstor Tadich, MV, PhD, Universidad Austral de Chile

Dra. Carmen Gallo, MV, PhD, Universidad Austral de Chile (coordinator)