3rd International Conference on Humane Dog Population Management

Call for abstracts: Deadline April 21st

Conference date: September 18-20th 2019
Venue: Sarova Whitesands, Mombasa, Kenya
Submit to: info@icam-coalition.org
Submission details: ICAM website

Dogs play important and valuable roles as companion and working animals around the world, but managing their populations is still a challenge for many countries. Unmanaged populations can be a concern for transmission of rabies and other zoonoses, road traffic accidents, conflicts with people, livestock and wildlife, and welfare of the dogs themselves. Humane dog population management (DPM) improves the quality of life for dogs, people and the environment. While there is no single DPM intervention that will work for all situations, success and innovation are happening around the world, and this conference provides a professional opportunity to learn how these experiences could improve your programmes.

The 3rd International Humane DPM conference will bring the public sector and NGOs together with specialists in animal welfare, animal health, public health and education, ecologists, economists and social scientists. It will feature best practice presentations from leading organizations and academics as well as an international perspective from the WHO, OIE and FAO. The conference will provide a platform for sharing DPM learnings, revealing the role of data in evidence-based design and evaluation, and networking between stakeholders to build new perspectives and opportunities. Workshops will provide an opportunity to learn more about new tools for improving programme planning, implementation and veterinary services. Delegates will leave enriched with new insights into population dynamics, management and policy; practical knowledge to support implementation; and enhanced motivation to bring benefits to dogs, people and the environment through humane and sustained dog population management.

Conference Themes:

1. Achieving rabies elimination by 2030
2. One Health and DPM - benefits to animal welfare, public health and the environment
3. Innovative tools and approaches in real-life DPM projects
4. Using data in DPM design, monitoring and evaluation
5. Community engagement and human behaviour change
6. Resolving conflicts with wildlife and livestock

We would like to hear from anyone interested in making a contribution to the above themes.

Please send an abstract to info@icam-coalition.org, using the following criteria:

- In English
- No more than 400 words, including the proposed title
- State whether you would prefer to present a poster or talk; talks will be in the region of 15 minutes in length.
- List the names and contact details of all authors and, if more than one author, state who will be the presenter at the conference. (Author names are not included in the 400 word limit)

**Speaker timeline:**

- Deadline for abstracts April 21st 2019
- Decision on speaker acceptance and presentation format May 31st 2019
- Early bird registration closes July 10th 2019 (all delegates, including speakers, pay registration)
- Conference presentations delivered on 19th and 20th September 2019 at Sarova Whitesands, Mombasa, Kenya