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Invitation to the first edition of the International Seminar

"Career Paths in Animal Behavior, Welfare and Human-Animal Interactions"

When: 15th of March 2023, 11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Where: Red Theater (Amfiteatrul Roșu), University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine Cluj-Napoca

Participation is also possible in online format by accessing **the Google Meet link:**

<https://meet.google.com/ouj-yhyf-vqk>

The Faculty of Animal Science and Biotechnologies, USAMV Cluj-Napoca, organizes the first edition of an international seminar aiming to offer meaningful examples of good practices, challenges and ideas about career paths that can be followed by the future and current graduates of the study programs in the fields of animal behavior (ethology), animal welfare and human-animal interactions.

Each edition will host at least two recognized experts in terms of activity and interests in research, education, practice and services in the community.

Program:

- 11:30 Official opening and presentations of the study programs in animal behavior, animal welfare and human-animal interactions at the Faculty of Animal Science and Biotechnologies. Prof. Dr. **Daniel Dezmirean**, Prof. Dr. **Alina S. Rusu**
- 12:00 Lecture "A Life for Animals and the Human-Animal Relationship". Invited speaker: Prof. Dr. **Dennis C. Turner**, Switzerland. *Online contribution.*
- 13:00 Lecture "Borderless animality. From passion to vision with courage, discipline and resilience" Researcher **Marco Adda**, Italy. *In person contribution.*

Short bio of the speakers:

Dennis Turner: Born and educated in the USA, Dennis Turner emigrated to Switzerland in 1973 after marrying his Swiss wife, Heidi. Before that, he conducted his dissertation research for the Doctor of Science degree from the Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, on vampire bats in Costa Rica. At the University of Zurich where he was tenured (1975) as a Senior Research Associate and Lecturer, he was active for 8 years in wildlife research before



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becoming the head of the Companion Animal Ethology and Human-Animal Interactions group at the Zoology Institute. In 2000 his habilitation on the human-cat relationship was accepted and he received the PrivDoz (PD) title from that university (Vetsuisse Faculty. *Venia legendi*: behaviour of dogs and cats). He was co-founder and officer of the International Society for Anthrozoology (ISAZ); the International Association of Human-Animal Interaction Organizations (IAHAIO; president from 1995-2010); founding secretary of the International Society for Animal Assisted Therapy (ISAAT); Trustee and Head of the Scientific Advisory Panel, World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA, now WAP); former co-editor of the journals *Anthrozoös* and *Animal Welfare*, and current co-editor of *People and Animals: the International Journal for Research and Practice (PAIJ)*. He was elected each year 14 times as Invited Professor for Anthrozoology and Animal-Assisted Therapy, Azabu University Graduate School, Fuchinobe (Tokyo), Japan. In 2021 he was named the first IAHAIO Distinguished Lifetime Fellow. Author of many research publications and books translated into several languages.

Marco Adda: Marco Adda is an independent researcher, founder and director of AEDC *Anthrozoology Education Dogs Canines*, PFAH *Portugal Focus Animal Help*, and INS *Integral NeuroSoma*. He has specific interests and leads online educational programs about free-ranging dogs and wolves. Globally involved in promoting Anthrozoology. Member of the *International Society of Anthrozoology* and the *Animal Behavior Society*. Accredited *Dognition* evaluator for the *Duke Canine Cognition Center*. Reviewer for *Society & Animal* journal. Board member of the Anthrozoology Symposium. Accredited trainer by the European Commission *SALTO* Program. Somatic researcher and practitioner. Actor trainer and drama instructor. Other areas of interest are social science, cross-cultural theatre, anthropology, psychology, ecology, neuroscience, clinical psychophysiology, and martial arts.

Participation is free of charge and no registration is required.