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## Practical information

The symposium language: English  
Abstracts must be sent to Patrick Butaye  
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The abstract format can be found on our  
website

There is an opportunity to present  
*posters* on the subject “wildlife disease  
surveillance” in its broadest sense

*The three best posters will be awarded*

## Venue

Queen Astrid Military Hospital (HCB KA)  
Bruynstraat 1  
B-1120 Brussels  
Belgium

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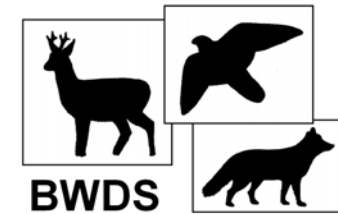
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## INVITATION

Belgian Wildlife Disease Society

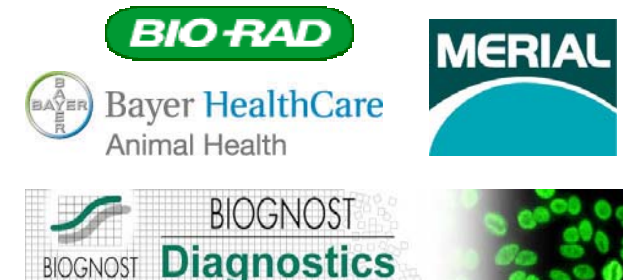
Third Symposium of the  
Belgian Wildlife Disease  
Society (BWDS)

*“Wildlife disease surveillance”*



Friday 16 October 2009

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# Introduction

The third Symposium of the Belgian Wildlife Disease Society is focusing on "Wildlife disease surveillance". The BWDS is an independent non-profit working group, uniting scientists and practitioners in order to promote research and to exchange information in the field of wildlife diseases in Belgium. The BWDS is open to veterinarians, biologists, ecologists, bio-engineers, and others actively working in this field. In continuation of the first and second symposium in 2005 and 2007, this third symposium will explore wildlife disease surveillance efforts and priorities in Belgium and Europe.

# Program

## 08:30 - 09:00 Registration

09:15 Welcome  
*Gen. Ph. Martin (ACOS Well Being - Be)*

09:20 Opening  
*S. Roels (VAR - Be)*

### Wildlife Disease Surveillance in Belgium *Chairmen: P. Heyman & M. Govaerts*

09:30 Wildsurv project  
*P. Tavernier (VAR/UGhent - Be)*

09:50 Tick species in Belgium  
*E. Claerebaut (UGhent - Be)*

10:10 Mosquito species in Belgium  
*W. Van Bortel (ITG - Be)*

## 10:30 – 10:55 Coffee Break

11:00 Bats as reservoir of RNA viruses  
*S. Van Gucht (ISP - BE)*

11:20 Q-fever  
*D. Fretin (VAR - Be)*

11:40 Rodent-borne Diseases  
*K. Baert (INBO - Be)*

## 12:00 – 13:55 Lunch/Poster session (on site)

# Scientific Committee

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### Wildlife Disease Surveillance: The European Perspective *Chairmen: S. Roels & M. Dispas*

14:00 Wildlife Disease Surveillance on the Iberian Peninsula  
*Chr. Gortazar (IREC - ES)*

14:30 Wildlife Disease Surveillance in N-Europe  
*A. S. Hammer (Nat Vet Inst - DK)*

## 15:00 – 15:25 Coffee Break

15:30 Wildlife Disease Surveillance in the Balkans Region  
*M. Hukic (Univ. Sarajevo - BIH)*

16:00 EU- FP7 Wildlife Disease Surveillance in the European Union (WildTech)  
*C. Billinis (Univ Thessaly - GR)*

16:30 Closing remarks & poster awards  
*P. Heyman (MoD BE - Be)*

## 16:50 End of the day & Coffee

# Registration

Deadline September 1, 2009  
Via post, fax or email:

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If you register as a student, please include proof of studentship with your registration form

INSTITUTION : .....

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FEE :

Students and BWDS members 15 euros / Others 30 euros (**if registration before June 30, 2009**)  
Students and BWDS members 20 euros / Others 40 euros (**if registration after June 30, 2009**)  
Lunch is included in the registration fee

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