



Hands-on training for farmers and veterinarians: New measures for antimicrobial stewardship

Frankfurt - Germany

7 October 2025

19:30

Dinner

ACHAT Hotel Offenbach Plaza

Ernst-Griesheimer-Platz 7, 63071 Offenbach am Main

8 October 2025

09:00 – 17:20

Training session

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The course has been recognized by Akademie für tierärztliche (ATF) Fortbildung and will account for 5 ATF hours. Only onsite participants will receive a certificate.

Opening of the session

9:00	Moderator	Welcome and introduction, presentation of guest speakers,
9:05		presentation of trainers' team

Welcome address

9:05	- PD Dr Svenja E. SANDER , Specialist Veterinarian for Pharmacology and
9:20	Toxicology, Group Leader, Federal Office of Consumer Protection and Food Safety (BVL).
	- Dr. Barbara FREISCHEM , Policy Officer, European Commission, DG SANTE.

European Commission – DG SANTE presentation



9:20
9:35

- Information about DG SANTE's work, **Dr. Barbara FREISCHEM**, Policy Officer, European Commission, DG SANTE.

Introduction to training programme

9:35
9:40

Rens van Dobbenburgh, Course topics, objectives and activities are explained.
Training Coordinator –
Trainer 1

Pre-training test

9:40
9:50

Moderator

Self-assessment test to measure participants' knowledge

Part 1 – Antimicrobial stewardship legislative framework at EU and national level

9:50 10:20 25' for presentation 5' questions and answers	Rens van Dobbenburgh, Trainer 1 & Kathrin Eckardt-Lehmann, Trainer 3	Overall impact at EU and national level & Introduction to the EU and national regulatory framework supporting antimicrobial stewardship.
10:20 10:50 25' for presentation 5' questions and answers	Bruno Gonzalez Zorn, Trainer 2 & Kathrin Eckardt-Lehmann, Trainer 3	Overview of key provisions at EU and national level. Focus on VMP Regulation.

10:50 - 11:20 *Coffee break*

11:20 12:10 35' for presentation 5' questions	Trainers 1, 2 & 3	Common elements for EU veterinarians and farmers at EU and national level. Focus on MF Regulation.
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Part 2 – Hands-on training: veterinarians and farmers towards a common goal

Presentation of case studies and success stories at national level & discussion

12:10
13:10

1. Antibiotic consumption and PRRS Status, **Dr. Barbara Leeb**
2. Dr. Walter Grünberg, Justus Liebig Universität Giessen

13:10- 14:10 *Lunch*



Instructions for group exercises

14:10	Michael Katikaridis,	Instructions for group discussions
14:25	Trainer 4	

Group Exercise 1. Identifying challenges in implementing best practices **by specie**

14:25	Michael Katikaridis,	Veterinarians and farmers are grouped separately by specie.
14:50	Trainer 4	Identification of challenges and opportunities observed in the field that impact antimicrobial stewardship: ✓ husbandry conditions, ✓ disease situation, ✓ biosecurity, ✓ animal health visits, ✓ diagnostic testing,

Group Exercise 2.A. Enhancing collaboration of veterinarians and farmers by specie in finding solutions to address barriers and enforce antimicrobial **stewardship**

14:50	Michael	✓ Veterinarians and farmers will be grouped in mixed small groups per specie.
15:15	Katikaridis, Trainer 4	✓ This group exercise will be focused on how to improve <u>husbandry practices</u>. ✓ Discussions will be adjusted to needs and interests of each group and specie

Group Exercise 2.B. Enhancing collaboration of veterinarians and farmers in finding solutions to address barriers and enforce antimicrobial **stewardship**

15:15	Michael Katikaridis,	✓ Veterinarians and farmers will be grouped in mixed small groups per specie.
15:40	Trainer 4	✓ This group exercise will be focused on how to reduce the use and have a more responsible <u>use of antimicrobials</u>. ✓ Discussions will be adjusted to needs and interests of each group and specie

15:40 - 16:10 Coffee break

Group Exercise 3.A. Best practices to improved husbandry practices. Common presentation and discussion

16:10	Michael	The outcomes from the round tables 2A are presented.
16:35	Katikaridis, Trainer 4	

Group Exercise 3.B. Best practices to enhance a antimicrobial stewardship. Common presentation and discussion.

16:35	Michael	The outcomes from the round tables 2B are presented.
17:00	Katikaridis, Trainer 4	



Conclusions of the training

17:00	Rens van Dobbenburgh, Training Coordinator	Key contents are highlighted and a summary of the training is provided, including lessons learned, relevant questions and answers, among others.
17:10		

Post-training test and closing

17:10	Moderator	Self-assessment test to measure the impact of the training. Results are commented by the trainers.
17:20		





Information about the Trainers Team

Training Coordinator (T1): Rens VAN DOBBENBURGH



Former President – Federation of Veterinarians of Europe
German-speaking trainer

Originally a large animal practitioner based in the Netherlands. Later a Board member of the European Union of Veterinary Practitioners (UEVP), followed by a four year Presidency of the Federation of Veterinarians of Europe (FVE). During that period, also active as chair of the European Platform of Responsible Use of Medicines in Animals (EPRUMA). Involved in the new European Regulation on Veterinary Medicinal Products as of

2010.

Trainer 2 (T2): Bruno Gonzalez ZORN



Head of the Antimicrobial Resistance Unit at the Complutense University in Madrid
German-speaking trainer

Prof. Bruno Gonzalez-Zorn, DVM, PhD is Head of the Antimicrobial Resistance Unit at the Complutense University in Madrid, and Adjunct Professor of Biotechnology at the University for Development Studies in Ghana. He gained his DVM in 1996 studying in Spain and Germany and his european PhD in 2001.

In 2011 he was awarded the National Microbiology Award, the bianual Jaime Ferran Award from the Spanish Society for Microbiology, and in 2018 the National Award for Antimicrobial Resistance. Currently he leads ARU working on molecular microbiology and the ecology of antimicrobial resistance in Madrid.

Trainer 3 (T3) Kathrin ECKARDT-LEHMANN



Scientific Advisor, Federal Office for Consumer Protection and Food Safety, Department of Veterinary Medicines, Division of Drug Resistance
German-speaking trainer

Veterinarian in Berlin since 2005, doctorate in 2008 at the Institute for Animal and Environmental Hygiene at the Free University of Berlin. This was followed by several years of research at Charité Berlin in the field of pharmacology and toxicology and 10 years of professional experience as a veterinary consultant at a large veterinary diagnostic laboratory, where I provided laboratory diagnostic services to a large client base of veterinary practices. Since September 2024, I have been working as a scientific advisor at the Federal Office for Consumer Protection and Food Safety, Department of Veterinary Medicines, Division of Drug Resistance. Here, I am primarily concerned with antibiotic resistance and support the team in developing a data collection system for antibiotic consumption.



Owner and Managing Director, Klarheit Training and Consulting
German-speaking trainer

Born and raised in Munich, I am a veterinarian and earned my doctorate in 2000. For fourteen years, I ran my own veterinary practice, trained specialists in small animal medicine, and led a dedicated team. My growing interest in psychology, sociology, and communication led me to extensive further training and certifications in these fields. Today, I support veterinarians in their personal and professional development, focusing on leadership and communication skills as well as personal growth. I work through live webinars, in-house coaching, on-site seminars, and one-on-one video coaching and lead reflection groups at Klinikum Bad Trissl. My approach: self-leadership as the key to greater composure and clarity.



Information about the training materials

All the presentations and training materials will be available on our webpage www.armfvtraining.eu

Our webpage also contains links to relevant organizations, as well as programs such as EPRUMA, DISARM and others.

Training materials can be found in English and in national languages on our webpage for dissemination purposes. We encourage you to use the training materials and to practice different dissemination methods, i.e. informing peers about the information received during the training, distributing training materials, giving presentations based on the training materials, among others.

Next steps

Two months after the training, participants will be contacted via email to fill in an online questionnaire to measure the training's effectiveness. This questionnaire will contain questions about the application of the acquired knowledge in daily work practice. By attending the training, you agree to be contacted for this purpose and to provide information through the online questionnaire.

It is expected that all participants compromise to disseminate the content of the training and knowledge acquired.