



Relationship between pig health and damaging behaviour

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EAPHM

The EU Association for
Swine Veterinarians

EAPHM

- Founded in 2010
- Is a supranational association for swine practitioners and other related veterinary professions actively involved in the field of porcine health management
- Works close with ECPHM (European College of Porcine Health Management)
- Part of the FVE (Federation of Veterinarians in Europe) and UEVP (Union of European Veterinary Practitioners).

Purpose

1. Provide one organisation for all European veterinarians and related professionals involved in porcine health management representing the interest of the members in legislative and executive bodies.
2. Develop standardised post-graduate education and life-long learning for veterinarians specialised in porcine health management.
3. Contribute in the organisation of the Annual European Symposium on Porcine Health Management (ESPHM)

Purpose

4. Organise meetings, workshops, discussion forums, and other appropriate platforms for exchanging knowledge in the area of porcine health management.
5. Work closely together with associated, national and international, professional organisations.
6. Promote the relationship between the veterinary profession, swine practitioners, the swine industry and the public.
7. Promote understanding and goodwill among its members.
8. Cooperate with veterinary and agricultural organisations and regulatory agencies.

Member profile

- Practitioners from all over Europe who are dealing with porcine health and production management.
- Other members coming from professions working in the same area, i.e. experts in animal nutrition, housing, etc.
- Companies with a clear relation to the pig production ('industrial partners')

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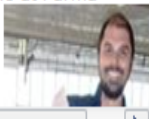
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Introducing the next and last new EAPHM Board member.
The new Vice President: Dr. Giovannbattista Guadagnini, from Italy

Hello I am Giovanbattista Guadagnini but my friends call me Giovanni. I live in the north of Italy, I am married with Francesca and we have a child called Filippo. I graduated in veterinary medicine at Parma University in 2004 and later attended the school on Swine Pathology and I graduated in 2007.

In 2008 Francesco Salvini and I founded PigVet, one of the few Italian swine practices. Now we are 4 vets and we work in the north and the middle of Italy, we are very involved not only in the health status of the farms but also in production, data collection and data analysis.



Pig Health and Damaging Behaviour

- Livestock production is constantly changing due to changing demands and objectives
- Current practices have a historical reason and were implemented over time
- Situation in Nordic countries (Switzerland) not representative for other EU countries
- Many different aspects involved in tail biting and likely so in trying to reduce tail biting
- What works on 1 farm might not be applicable to other farms. Trials have been done with varying results
- Time and financial means are needed to bring applied research and practice together (ZnO)
- Efforts made by the EU pork producing industry should apply or all countries exporting pork to the EU

The Swine Practitioner: Tasks

1. Notifiable diseases (accountable).
2. Swine health management (advisor, shared responsibility)
3. Assuring stable food supply and Public Health (advisor, shared responsibility)
4. Societal Responsibility (like any other professional); example: reduction in use of antibiotic products (Netherlands: >60% from 2009 to 2016)

Thank You