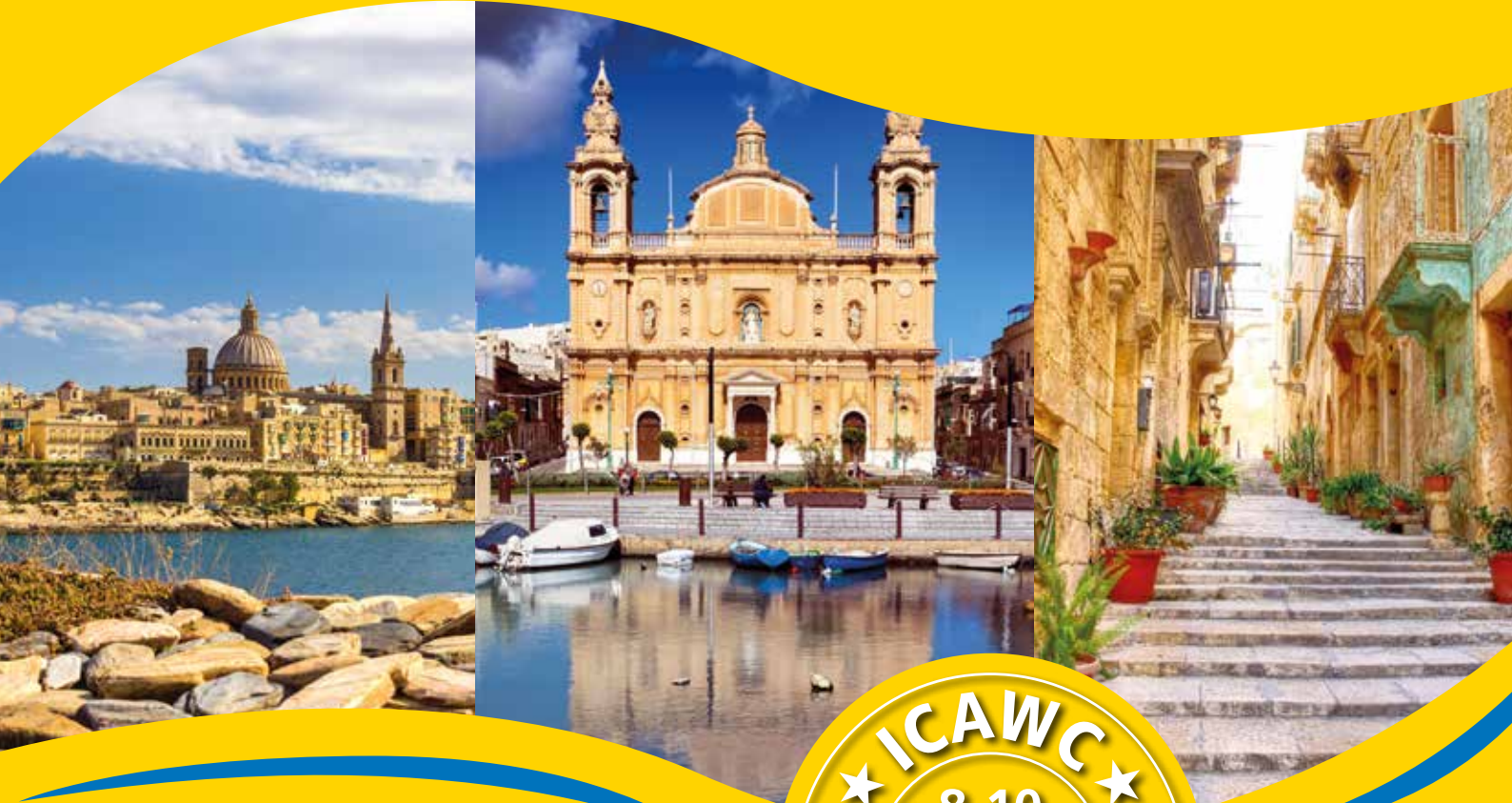
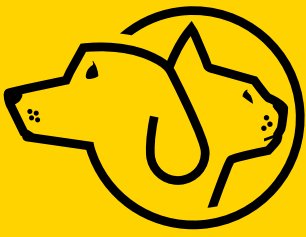


# INTERNATIONAL COMPANION ANIMAL WELFARE CONFERENCE

## Twenty First Annual Conference



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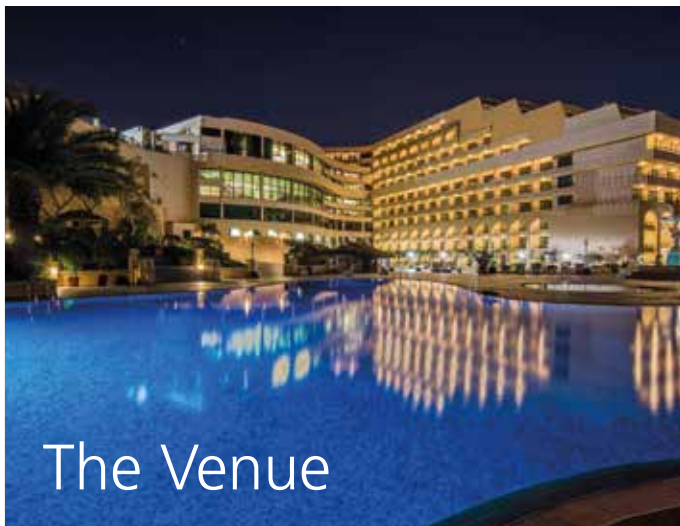


## The ICAWC vision

ICAWC has one simple goal; to work together so that every dog and cat gets the love and care they deserve. Around the world, many companion animals desperately need help and that's why we provide a platform to help raise awareness of these issues. Sharing ideas. Learning about best practices. Inspiring us all to change for the better. Let's get together and make a difference.

# ICAWC Heads to Malta

For 2019, we are excited to be visiting Malta for the first time. Many of the presentations appear on the programme as a result of requests made by you, both via the feedback forms or by email. We look forward to meeting new delegates and welcoming back old friends and can guarantee a full programme covering all aspects of companion animal welfare.



The Venue

**The Grand Hotel Excelsior Malta** is nestled between the 16th century Bastion walls of Valletta, commanding breathtaking sea views over Marsamxett Harbour and Manoel Island. Located on the doorstep of a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the hotel is within walking distance of Valletta's culture, historical architecture, restaurants and shops.

We have negotiated a discounted rate for delegates, but if for any reason you would prefer to stay elsewhere, please email our Maltese agent Trevor Zahra at [Trevor@3sixtymeetings.com](mailto:Trevor@3sixtymeetings.com) for options.



### The Coleridge Hotel

Our agents in Malta, 3SixtyMetings, own and run a beautiful boutique hotel in Valletta called the Coleridge. Rooms are priced from €160 and we would thoroughly recommend it for any delegates wishing to extend their stay before or after the conference. You can contact Trevor directly for bookings [Trevor@thecolridgehotel.com](mailto:Trevor@thecolridgehotel.com)



[www.thecolridgehotel.com](http://www.thecolridgehotel.com)

# 2019 Programme

## Programme 8th October

### Meeting of E.U Dog & Cat Alliance

**ROOM 1: 11:00 – 12:30** The 10th meeting of the E.U Dog & Cat Alliance (members only)

For information on becoming a member, please visit <http://www.dogandcatwelfare.eu/about/become-member>



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### Optional Workshops

ROOM 1:	ROOM 2:	ROOM 3:
13.30 – 14.00 MediMark Sponsor Workshop; Infection Control within an Animal Shelter	13.30 – 15.00 How to Find Online Solutions to a Behaviour Problem – Steve Goward	13:30 – 14:30 Cats Protection, MDC and SNIPi Sponsor Workshop; Equipment Demonstration to Ensure Humane TNR for Cats
14.00 – 15.00 It's Not All About Dogs & Cats – Nico Joiner	<b>15.00 – 15.30 BREAK</b>	14.30 – 15.00 Animal Housing by TECHNIK, Sponsor Presentation
<b>15.00 – 15.30 BREAK</b>	15.30 – 17.00 So You Want to Set up a Spay/ Neuter Program; Here's How to do it – Mark & Sam Green	<b>15.00 – 15.30 BREAK</b>
15.30 – 17.00 How Good are You at Asking for Money – Joe Saxton		15.30 – 17.00 Ask the Expert

## Programme 9th & 10th October

Mayhem and Madness! The Fight Against Rabies	Luke Gamble
How Can Animal Charities Thrive in a Competitive World?	Joe Saxton
The Challenge of Change	Chris Pace & Barbara Cassar Torreggiani
A Common Goal; Bringing Vets & NGOs Closer Together	Ursula Goetz
Scared of People; Helping Rescue Dogs with Their Fears	Rachel Casey
The Challenges of Taking Over an Existing Charity	Ian Clarke
Making it Last; Quality Community Engagement for Sustainable Animal Welfare	Melissa Liszewski
Turning Hopeless into Hopeful	Nico Joiner
From Cute Kitten to Purrfect Pensioner; Meeting the Behavioural Needs of Cats at Every Life Stage	Emma Brown
Being Cruel to be Kind; Intervention to Resolve Cases of Animal Hoarding	Mike Flynn
Unpicking the Knots of Dog Population Management; Science, Practicalities & Impact	Andy Gibson
Effective Veterinary Training & Humane Campaigns with Limited Resources	Susan Monger
Facebook; Indulgent Distraction or Essential Fundraising Tool?	Tina Wales Solera
Improving Welfare & Rehoming by Investing in People	Steve Goward
The Leaking Tap; Building Relationships with Local Government	Mark & Sam Green
Pragmatic Decision Making; Doing the Best for Everyone	Rachel Dean
The Age of Consent; Permission to Interact	Carolyn Menteith
Biosecurity; What Can We Do to Reduce Disease Risks in Our Shelters?	Catherine Dobbie
Pain in Cats and Dogs; Recognising, Measuring & Managing it	Hayley Walters
Emotional Resilience; How to Help More Cats & Dogs by Putting Yourself First	Kirsty Sturman
Education; Outcomes Over Output	Anna Baatz
Foster Homes for Military Dogs & Hospitalised Owners	Buzz Miller

# Evening & Optional Activities

## Tuesday 8th October: Optional Shelter Visit

This year we are offering delegates the chance to visit The Association for Abandoned Animals (AAA)'s new facilities in Birzebbugia in the far south of the island, which they moved into in 2018.

AAA was founded in 2008 and looks after around 80-90 dogs, most of which come in to the shelter as strays. Their mission is to look after these animals, treat them for any injuries or illness and then put them up for adoption.

As well as providing shelter to homeless dogs, the organisation runs a charity shop in Hamrun, which is close to Valletta.



\*Please note that places are limited. If you would like to visit the shelter, please indicate your time preference when registering and we will do our best to accommodate your choice.

Coaches will leave the hotel at;



9am



10am



11am

## Tuesday 8th October: Welcome Reception

### Complimentary Welcome Reception at the Grand Hotel Excelsior Valletta, 6.30pm

We invite you to join us on the opening night of the conference for our Welcome Reception in the Tiki Village at the conference hotel. Located next to the pool, by the water's edge, the Tiki Village offers stunning views of the Marsamxett Harbour, Fort Manoel and Manoel Island. Please join us for a chance to mix with other delegates in a relaxed and informal setting.



## Wednesday 9th October: Optional Gala Dinner

Guests will be taken by coach to one of the most imposing buildings in Valletta, the former Sacra Infermeria, built as a hospital in the 16th Century by the Order of St John. Although heavily damaged during World War II, restoration and reconstruction aided in keeping the unique historical character of this national monument now widely known as the Mediterranean Conference Centre. Situated adjacent to Fort St Elmo, guests will be led through the Sacra Infermeria Hall to enjoy a drink on the rooftop terrace before sitting down to a 3-course meal overlooking the Grand Harbour.

**Depart the Grand Hotel Excelsior at 7.15pm**

**Price:** €50 Per person to include transport, 3 course meal and drinks.



## Friday 11th October: Optional Walking Tour of Valletta

The tour of Valletta begins with the Upper Barrakka Gardens on the defensive bastions that surround Valletta. From there, the group will visit St John's Co-Cathedral and the Cathedral Oratory, home to the largest single work by Caravaggio. The group will have a short break to enjoy a traditional Maltese Pastizzi and refreshment before visiting the Palace of the Grand Masters including a tour of the Official State Rooms. Guests can then choose to remain in the city or return on foot to the hotel accompanied by the guide.

**Duration:** Half day, 9am-1pm **Price:** €25 per person

**Inclusions:** Guide, entrance tickets to the St John's Co-Cathedral, the Cathedral Oratory, the Palace of the Grand Masters and a Refreshment break including a traditional Pastizzi and soft drink of choice.

# How to Book

You can book online at [www.icawc.org](http://www.icawc.org) or by completing the registration form in block capitals and returning to:

ICAWC, C/O Dogs Trust Worldwide,  
17 Wakley Street,  
London,  
EC1V 7RQ, UK  
Email: [icawc@dogstrust.org.uk](mailto:icawc@dogstrust.org.uk)

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[icawc.org](http://icawc.org)

## Agent Bank Details:

Please use the reference with your payment: your name + ICAWC2019

### Bank Details and Form of Payment:

Bank Name: Bank of Valletta plc.

Account Name: culture3sixty limited

Account Number: 40018605787

IBAN Code: MT64 VALL 2201 3000 0000 40018605787

Swift Code: VALL MTMT

VAT REG. NUMBER: MT1952-0921



## Free animal handling equipment at the conference!

SNIP International, Cats Protection and MDCEExports Ltd will again be donating items of humane, specialist equipment for use in trap/catch-neuter-return programmes outside the UK. Application forms will be available at the conference. You can view the entire range of MDC products on the website, [www.mdceexports.co.uk](http://www.mdceexports.co.uk). Only a limited selection will be available at the conference.



## International Training Programme

Dogs Trust run an International Training Programme (ITP) which takes place twice a year at our state of the art Rehoming Centre in West London. Join a small group of delegates for an intensive five day whistle stop tour of animal welfare, including talks from expert speakers, networking opportunities and a chance to ask any questions and share ideas with other organisations. If you already have a shelter, we focus on how to run it efficiently and look at the importance of education and fundraising. If you don't have a shelter, we can advise you on the best way to affect real change without one. Dogs Trust will cover all UK expenses for the duration of the course including hotel and meals, meaning that only the cost of flights and visas need to be covered by the participating organisation.

For more information please visit [www.dogstrustworldwide.com/training](http://www.dogstrustworldwide.com/training)



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## EU Dog & Cat Alliance Meeting

The 10th meeting of the EU Dog & Cat Alliance will be held at ICAWC on Tuesday the 8th of October. The meeting will cover EU issues such as the dog and cat trade, breeding and illegal importations. The meeting will only be open to members of the EU Dog & Cat Alliance.

For more information about joining the Alliance for free please visit: [www.dogandcatwelfare.eu/about/become-member/](http://www.dogandcatwelfare.eu/about/become-member/)

## The Organiser

Founded in 1891, Dogs Trust is the UK's largest dog welfare charity, and now has 21 Rehoming Centres throughout the UK and Ireland. Dogs Trust believes that no healthy dog should be destroyed and last year looked after over 15,000 dogs. Our mission is "to work towards the day when all dogs can enjoy a happy life, free from the threat of unnecessary destruction". We work with like-minded international animal welfare charities; offering support, advice, training and grants.

Registered Charity Numbers:  
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8-10 October 2019 – The Grand Hotel Excelsior Valletta, Malta

REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete ONE FORM PER PERSON and return to:

ICAWC, c/o Dogs Trust Worldwide, 17 Wakley Street, London EC1V 7RQ, ENGLAND

email: ICAWC@dogstrust.org.uk or to book online visit www.icawc.org

Title/Family name ..... First name .....

Name of Organisation .....

Email ..... Dietary requirements: vegetarian [ ] vegan [ ] other [ ] .....

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEE €60 per person (for organisations with income under €10 million)
€120 per person (for organisations with income over €10 million)

Accommodation at: The Grand Hotel Excelsior Malta Single B&B - €130 [ ] Double B&B - €150 [ ]

Check in Date ..... Check out Date ..... Total nights required .....

Arrival and Departure Information:

Arrival date ..... Flight number ..... Flying from ..... Arrival time .....

Departure date ..... Flight number ..... Flying to ..... Dep. time.....

Transfer one way (up to 3 people) €25 [ ] Arrival [ ] Departure

Optional Programmes and Payment:

Tuesday 8th October Registration fee per person €60 (organisations under €10 million income) [ ]
€120 (organisations over €10 million income) [ ]

- ACCOMMODATION (full payment required in advance)
Please include all nights in your amount €..... [ ]

- 10th Meeting Of the E.U Dog & Cat Alliance FREE (Members Only) [ ]

- FREE SPONSOR WORKSHOPS (please indicate which workshops)

[ ] Infection Control Within an Animal Shelter [ ] Animal Housing [ ] Humane TNR for Cats

- ALL OTHER WORKSHOPS CHARGED AT €10 EACH

[ ] Ask the Expert [ ] It's Not All About Dogs & Cats [ ] How Good Are You at Asking For Money

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Optional airport transfer to/from the The Grand Hotel Excelsior Valletta See pricing above [ ]

(Payable at time of booking to confirm reservation) Total Amount [ ]

Please indicate which method of payment you are using: Payment taken in Euros.

[ ] Bank Transfer (for bank details see over) Credit Card: [ ] VISA [ ] Mastercard

To make payment by credit card, please email: Trevor Zahra at Trevor@3sixtymeetings.com for details.

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