



Dear Attendees,

Welcome! Thank you for joining us at the 2023 IEOC/an-vision, Inc. Symposium in Edinburgh, Scotland!

For those who are able to join us on Thursday evening, the **Welcome Reception** will be held in the Dunedin Room at the Radisson Blu from 6pm-8pm, it will be a time to enjoy being able to visit with friends in-person and will feature light hors d'oeuvres and a complimentary drink (beer/wine/soft drink or water provided, additional cash bar for optional purchases). Attendees can register beginning at 5:30pm and will need to wear their name badge for admission, pre-purchased guest tickets will be located in the attendee's name badge holder.

Changes this Year!

This year we are attempting to print as few things as possible. We have provided this Welcome letter, general schedule, moderator instructions, proceedings and other items via link in an HTML email sent on 5.26.23. These are also located on the website under the Edinburgh meeting. On-site we will provide printed badges, tickets to the Welcome Reception and the optional Castle dinner on Friday.

Continuing Education documents of attendance will be emailed by the end of June to each attendee individually, along with a survey link. Attendees need to sign-in at the registration desk and wear name badges to attend the meeting and meal functions; if you do not sign in we cannot provide a CE form.

Sponsor Support – THANK YOU!

Thank you to our generous sponsors who supported the meeting this year. **an-vision, Inc. kindly committed as our Namesake Sponsor again, we really appreciate their continued interest and support of IEOC.**

Eickemeyer provided a donation as a cash sponsor of our State-of-the-Art Speaker, Dr. Deeg.

Additionally, we would like to thank the following members who sponsored the Edinburgh Castle dinner event to help lower the ticket rate: **Animal Eye Consultants Ltd', Claudia Hartley Veterinary Ophthalmology Consultant, and Tim & Med Knott, The Equine Eye Clinic.**

Special thanks to an **IEOC member who anonymously donated \$3,200** to sponsor our three trainee awards!

Exhibits and Meals

Coffee breaks and lunches will be located with our name-sake sponsor's booth, an-vision, in the Cannongate Room on the second floor. Lunches and breaks are for registered attendees only, badges will be required for entry. (Please no guests in these spaces.) Breakfast will be provided by the hotel for those staying at the Radisson Blu in the hotel restaurant. The IEOC will not be providing a group breakfast but coffee and drinks will be provided in the morning and for breaks.

Friday, June 2nd

One of our Planning Committee Chairs, **Dr. Hanneke Hermans**, will welcome attendees and introduce our State-of-the-Art Lecturer, **Professor Dr. Cornelia Deeg**, who will present, "*Equine Recurrent Uveitis (ERU) – Current Research Directions and Results from my Group*", for two hours with a short break. Notes will be provided digitally by the speaker post-event.

Saturday, June 3rd

Planning Committee Co-Chair, **Dr. Ria Chalder**, will welcome attendees and introduce State of the Art Lecturer, **Dr. Fernando Malalana**, who will present, "Ocular Oncology in Horses", for two hours with a short break. Notes are provided in the proceedings.

Abstracts and case reports will be presented for the remainder of each day. The presentation schedule is located in the digital proceedings (<http://www.equineophtho.org/node/552> you must be signed in) and on the conference website at this location: <http://www.equineophtho.org/node/985> . A couple of printed schedules will be available for reference at the registration desk.

Hot Topics

We are excited to explore our 'hot topics' a little deeper when desired. You will find sticky notes on the tables around the room. If you would like to discuss a topic or idea further, please write the question/idea on the note and plan to provide these to the planning committee or IEOC staff during the day. We will try to have a board or wall designated to stick these on so others may browse. The 'Hot Topics' session each day will be toward the end of the day. A moderator will run the session and a couple of wireless microphones will be available to facilitate discussion.

Edinburgh Castle Dinner & Crown Jewel visit – Instructions (Ticket Required)

Registration is full, walk-up tickets are not available.

The IEOC has planned a wonderful evening to explore portions of the Edinburgh Castle with our IEOC friends Friday evening. IEOC will be provided a private tour of the Scottish crown jewels room and reception, three course meal in the Queen Anne Dining Room that includes up to two glasses of wine with dinner, while enjoying an accompanying harpist. Other surprises may occur, but the evening will be planned from approximately 7pm - 11pm, with optional drinks to purchase after the dinner for those who wish to linger.

Attendees should be aware there is a 0.4 mile casual walk to the Castle, and back. Plan to arrive on your own and meet the group by 6:50pm to enter at 7pm. Transportation will not be provided. This is a pleasant walk to and from the Castle and should be lit both directions.

Trainee Awards

For a second year IEOC will be issuing trainee presentation awards! This year there will be nine presentations that will be judged. The top three winners will receive cash awards of \$1,500, \$1,000 and \$750 USD, these will be provided via wire post-event. Thank you to our anonymous member donor for making this happen and thank you to our judges who will be recognized at the end of the event on-site.

Business Meeting

If you are attending the IEOC/an-vision Symposium, you have been approved as an IEOC member! Please plan to attend the member business meeting on Saturday, held immediately following the final hour of the sessions. Your member agenda will be available on the website (<http://www.equineophtho.org/node/985>) and via email, a few printed copies will be available at the registration desk. Please plan to take the time to sign in again to help us establish a quorum for our formal records.

Enjoy your trip to Edinburgh, thank you for joining us!



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