



# 9<sup>th</sup> Africa Animal Welfare Conference – Action 2025

**Theme:** Strengthening Actions for Animal Welfare and Environment for a Sustainable Future and Resilient Planet

**Venue:** Hotel Franco, Yaoundé, Cameroon

**Date:** 28-30 July ,2025

## PROGRAMME

Day 1: Monday 28 July 2025	
Conference Moderators:	
<b>OPENING SESSION:</b> <b>9.00-11.00 A.M.</b> Moderated by <b>Tennyson Williams</b> , Conference Committee Chair	
8.30-09.00 a.m.	Arrival and registration of delegates (Conference Secretariat)
09.00-09.10 a.m.	Preliminaries-Moderator
09.10-09.40 a.m.	Welcome Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Africa Network for Animal Welfare</li><li>• African Union Inter-African Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR)</li><li>• United Nations Environment Programme</li></ul>
9.40-10.10 a.m.	Goodwill Messages <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• AWI</li><li>• UNDP Cameroon</li><li>• SPANA</li><li>• </li></ul>



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10:10-10:20 am	Theme Exposition, <b>Dr. Elynn Njeri</b> , African Union InterAfrican Bureau for Animal Resources, and <b>Wachira Kariuki</b> , Africa Network for Animal Welfare.
10.20-10.30 a.m.	Special remarks by Conference Organizing Committee chair, <b>Tennyson Williams</b> , Director for Africa, World Animal Protection
10.30 a.m-11.00 am	Keynote Address and Official Opening: Government of Cameroon.
<b>11.00 -11.30 am</b>	<b>Tea/Coffee Break (Group photo)</b>
<b>SESSION 1: Climate Change and Animal Welfare</b>	
<b>11.30-1.00 PM</b> <b>Session Moderator:</b>	
11.30-11.50 am	Presentation 1: University of Yaoundé 1
11.50-12.10 pm	Presentation 2: The Impact of Climate Change and Natural Disasters on Animals During Transport in Africa: A Case for Emergency Animal Welfare, <b>Abdul-Rahman Safian</b> , West African Centre for the Protection of Animal Welfare (WACPAW), Ghana
12.10 pm-12.30 pm	Presentation 3: World Animal Protection, Dr. Patrick Muinde
12.30-01.00 pm	Q and A
<b>1.00-2.00 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>SESSION 2: Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems</b>	
<b>2.00-3.30 p.m.</b> <b>Session Moderator:</b>	
2.00-2.20 pm	Presentation 1: Echoes of the Ancestors: Integrating Indigenous Knowledge for Africa's Sustainable Future, <b>Tozie Zokufa</b> , CAAWO, South Africa
2.20-2.40 pm	Presentation 2: Progress of cage free chicken farming campaigns in Africa, <b>Aurelia Adhiambo</b> , Africa Lead, Open Wing Alliance
2.40 -3.00 pm	Presentation 3: Innovating for impact: New frontiers in advancing farmed fish welfare in Africa, <b>Wasseem Emam</b> , Ethical Seafood Research, UK
3.00-3.30 pm	Q and A
<b>3.30-4.00 pm</b>	<b>Tea/Coffee Break</b>
<b>SESSION 3: Animal Welfare and Sentience</b> <b>4.00-5.00 pm</b> <b>Panel Discussion</b> <b>Session Moderator/Panel Chair: Josphat Ngunyo</b>	



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**Day 2: Tuesday 29 July, 2025**

**SESSION 4 : United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)**

**09.00 am-1.00 p.m.**

**Session Moderator: Isaiah Otieno**

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<b>11.30-11.30 am</b>	<b>Tea/Coffee Break</b>
11.30-1.00 p.m.	UNEP
<b>1.00-2.00 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>

**Session 5 A: UNEP meeting with Civil society**

**2.00-3.30 p.m.**

**Session Moderator: Isaiah Otieno**

**SESSION 5 B: Community-Based Conservation and Innovations**

**Session Moderator: Prof. James Herbert Williams, Arizona State University, USA**

2.00-2.20 pm	Presentation 1: Human Animal Co-existence: Case Study of Kasigau Ranch in Kenya, <b>Agnes Haloni, Isaac Maina and Dr Dennis Bahati</b> , Africa Network for Animal Welfare.
2.20-2.40 pm	Presentation 2: The use of animals in Research, Testing and Education: A Case study of the use of animals in Research, Testing and Education in Africa, <b>Craig Redmond</b> , LUSH Prize Organisation.
2.40-3.00 pm	Presentation 3: CSO, Cameroon.





3.00-3.30 pm	Q and A
<b>3.30-4.00 pm</b>	<b>Tea/Coffee Break</b>
<b>SESSION 6: Legislative and Policy Frameworks</b>	
<b>4.00-5.30 pm</b> <b>Session Moderator:</b>	
4.00-4.20 pm	Presentation 1: SPANA
4.20-4.40 pm	Presentation 2: Progress of Implementing the African Union Moratorium on Donkey Skin Trade in Africa, <b>Samuel Theuri</b> , Brooke East Africa (TBC)
4.40-5.00 pm	Presentation 3: <b>Dr Bryce Marock</b> , NSPCA, South Africa
5.00-5.30 pm	Q and A
<b>*****END OF DAY TWO*****</b>	
<b>Day 3: Wednesday 30 July, 2025</b>	
<b>SESSION 7: African Union InterAfrican Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR)</b>	
<b>08.30-10.30 a. m.</b>	
<b>Session Moderator :</b>	
08.30-10.30 a. m.	AU-IBAR
<b>10.30-11.00 a.m.</b>	<b>Tea/Coffee Break</b>
<b>SESSION 8: African Union InterAfrican Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR) and Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH</b>	
<b>11.00 a.m.-01.00 p.m.</b>	
11.00-11.30 a.m.	The African Union Digital One Health Platform; Game Changer <b>Dr. Mary Mbole-Kariuki</b> , AU-IBAR



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11.30 a.m.-12.00 p.m.	One Health Analytics Showcasing concrete use cases in Africa <b>Mr Mamadou Djigo</b> , Session Lead: One Health Analytics Program/ GIZ
<b>SESSION 8: African Union InterAfrican Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR)</b> <b>Panel Discussion</b> 12.00 -1.00 pm. Panel Chair: <b>Dr Mary Mbole-Kariuki</b>	
<b>Topic:</b> A Digital One Health promoting One Welfare in Africa <b>Panellists:</b> 1.Prof.James Wabacha(AU-IBAR) 2.Dr Kirstin Grosse (GIZ) 3. Mr Hamza Zbidi (Private Sector) 4. Dr Mathew Muturi (ZDU-Kenya) 5. Dr Julius Chulu (Ministry of Agriculture, Malawi) 6. Madam Debongue (Cameroon) 7. Dr Afework Kasa (IGAD)	
1.00-2.00 p.m.	Lunch
<b>SESSION 9: Conclusion and Way Forward</b> <b>2.00-3.30 pm</b>	
2.00-2.30 pm	Conference Resolutions: <b>Dr Dennis Bahati</b> and <b>Wachira Kariuki</b> .
2.30-2.50 pm	Vote of Thanks: ANAW ED
2.50-3.30 pm	Closing Ceremony: Government of Cameroon
3.30-4.00 pm	Tea/Coffee
<p align="center">*****END OF CONFERENCE*****</p>	



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