

Media Release

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Animal Welfare Officer Seminar

A one-day seminar for the meat and livestock industry on "The changing role of the animal welfare officer in the light of EC 1099/2009" is to be held by the Humane Slaughter Association (HSA) on Wednesday 29th April 2015.

Speakers from government, industry, training bodies and others will talk about their experiences in meeting the demands of EC Regulation 1099/2009 in each of their working environments. This will be followed by a chaired discussion.

The seminar is aimed at animal welfare officers, veterinary surgeons, meat inspectors, food business operators, slaughtermen and others concerned with animal welfare at slaughter. Speakers include Steve Wotton (University of Bristol), Clare White (Dunbia), Tony Higginson (Woodhead Bros.), Rebeca Garcia (Defra), Rob Barker (Cargill), Craig Kirby (AIMS) and Collin Willson (FSA Wales).

The HSA Animal Welfare Officer Seminar will be held on Wednesday 29th April 2015 at the East Midlands Thistle Hotel, Castle Donnington. For further details visit <u>www.hsa.org.uk</u>, contact the HSA at <u>info@hsa.org.uk</u> or telephone 01582 831919.

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Note to Editors:

The HSA is an independent charity recognised internationally for promoting scientific, technical and educational advances towards improving the welfare of food animals worldwide at slaughter, killing, marketing and transport.

Its work includes researching, refining and demonstrating humane slaughter methods, publishing material such as guidelines, best practice, books and videos, funding research projects and the development of equipment. Specialist technical staff provide expert and

practical advice on all welfare issues relating to food animals.

The HSA is funded by voluntary donations, subscriptions and legacies.

For more information about the HSA's work call 01582 831919, email <u>info@hsa.org.uk</u> or visit www.hsa.org.uk

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