

## **2005 EWDA REPORT**

T. Morner reported that the section has been busy with this year's meeting with the Nordic Section and planning for a September 2006 meeting in Aosta Valley, Italy. Abstracts from the 2005 meeting, as well as contributions from a March electronic conference on Wildlife-Related Emerging Zoonoses (WIRED), are available on the section's web site. The section's new student council representative, L. Reperant, organized a 3-day student workshop on emerging diseases in Annecy this spring. Over 30 students and 10 distinguished scientists from nine European countries participated. The workshop was an excellent experience that should be continued in the future. To encourage such activities, an alternative to the university-based student chapters may be section-based student chapters. The section has also worked to improve their web site, has prepared reports for the World Organisation of Animal Health (OIE), and WDA, and is preparing a review paper for a special human-animal interface issue of the British Medical Journal, as well as a program proposal for a European call for a Specific Support Action related to emerging diseases in wildlife. The section will be dealing with WDA membership of section members in the coming months.

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