**25.-28.July 2010: Canine Science Forum**

**Largest worldwide conference on human-dog-science to take place in Vienna**
By reading the list of the invited plenary speakers, you will get to know the who's who of dog science. Nearly all scientists in this field (more than 500 participants) will be at the "Canine Science Forum" 2010 in Vienna.

It is already clear that this will be one of the largest conferences of its kind worldwide!

Major topics of the "Canine Science Forum" (short: CSF 2010) include: dog behaviour, cognition, the dog in our society and human-dog cohabitation.

The following internationally acknowledged experts will give plenary talks:

**Brian Hare/USA:** From dogs to bonobos to humans: how does domestication shape social problem solving skills?

**Simon Gadbois/Canada:** Canine behavioural neuroscience: >From canine science in shackles to new opportunities.

**Peter Savolainen/Sweden:** DNA studies of the origins of dogs

**Pauleen C. Bennett/Australia:** Putting the pieces together: using science to improve relationships between people and their canine companions

**John W.S. Bradshaw/UK:** Conceptualising the domestic dog – should we start again?

**Daniel Mills/UK:** Canine behaviour problems and psychopharmacology

**Juliane Kaminski/Germany:** Communication between humans and dogs

This conference is held in English at the University. Thereafter, on the 29th of July 2010, there will be a satellite conference at the Veterinarian University of Vienna, entitled "News from science and practice", where Prof. Ádám Miklósi from Eötvös University, Budapest will summarise the results of the main conference in German. This event (including discussions) is mainly dedicated to practitioners; veterinarians, dog trainers and colleagues that work with dogs in the field of animal assisted therapy.

The "Canine Science Forum" is organised by Dr. Friederike Range (University of Vienna/Department of Cognitive Biology, Wolf Science Center), Dr. Zsófia Virányi (Clever Dog Lab, Wolf Science Center), Prof. Ludwig Huber (University of Vienna/Department of Cognitive Biology), Prof. Kurt Kotrschal (University of Vienna, Department of Behavioural Biology, Konrad Lorenz Research Station).

For further information regarding the Canine Science Forum visit [http://csf2010.univie.ac.at](http://csf2010.univie.ac.at/)

**Photos:**

The organisers of CSF 2010 (from left to right): Ludwig Huber, Friederike Range, Zsófia Virányi, and Kurt Kotrschal

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**Information for media representatives:**

-          In the “press” section on the CSF webpage you will find an accreditation form for journalists. Please sign in.

-          During the Canine Science Forum a press centre with internet connection and WLAN will be provided for journalists.

-          Those journalists that would like to have individual interviews with specific scientists are asked to fill in the interview request in the accreditation form. We will try to coordinate as many appointments as possible.

-          If you would like an interview with scientists or organisers before the event please contact Paul Cech (cech@dogcompany.at, phone: +43 / 699 / 1356 4408) for an appointment.

-          There will be a press conference with the organisers in Vienna approximately two weeks before the beginning of the conference.

-          Photos and press releases can also be found on the CSF webpage in the "press" section.

**Further press related questions:**

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