EAAP-ASAS Conference on Livestock farming and the environment: emissions and solutions

ANGRA DO HEROÍSMO – TERCEIRA ISLAND (AZORES), PORTUGAL
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Welcome to the EAAP-ASAS Conference on Livestock farming and the environment: emissions and solutions

On behalf of the EAAP & ASAS Organizing Committee and the University of the Azores, it is our honor and pleasure to welcome you to the EAAP–ASAS Conference on Livestock Farming and the Environment: Emissions and Solutions, scheduled for April 19th to 21st, 2026, in Angra do Heroísmo – Terceira Island (Azores), Portugal.

This conference provides a unique opportunity to bring together scientists, researchers, and professionals from Europe, America, and beyond to discuss the pressing challenges of animal production and its environmental impact.

The scientific program will address key topics related to emission mitigation, sustainable resource use, and innovative strategies for reducing the environmental footprint of livestock systems. Sessions will explore advances in animal genetics, nutrition, and precision farming, highlighting how technology, management practices, and scientific breakthroughs can contribute to climate-smart animal agriculture. Special attention will be given to genomic and nutrigenomic approaches, feed efficiency, circular economy models, and policy frameworks supporting sustainability in the livestock sector.

Set in the heart of the Azores, a region renowned for its lush pastures, volcanic landscapes, and long-standing commitment to environmental stewardship, Angra do Heroísmo offers an inspiring backdrop for this international meeting. Participants will not only enjoy a dynamic and stimulating scientific exchange but will also have the opportunity to experience the islands' unique culture, history, and natural beauty.

We are confident that the EAAP–ASAS Conference on Livestock Farming and the Environment will be an engaging and memorable event, fostering collaboration, innovation, and shared solutions for a more sustainable future in animal agriculture. We look forward to welcoming you to Terceira Island for an unforgettable and productive experience.

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Scientific programme

Sunday 19 April

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Room: Main auditorium
Chair: Johnson / Kreuzer
Session Type: Plenary session

Theatre Session 1

18:00 Welcome Remarks

18:30 Accomplishments and latent potential in joint and complementary research efforts to reduce emissions in livestock systems
invited *A. Bannink, S. Van Gastelen, H. J. Van Dooren, J. Dijkstra*

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Session 2. Enteric methane - Supplementation (1)

Room: Main auditorium
Chair: Azevedo / Niu
Session Type: Theme session

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Chair: Boland / Kirwan / Johnson
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Session Type: Theme session

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Tuesday 21 April

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Chair: Wagner Riddle / Olivo
Session Type: Theme session

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N. Guingand

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L. Koning, A. Bannink, S. Van Gastelen, G. Holshof, A. Klop, J. Dijkstra

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Theatre Session 9

11:45 Options and strategies for stacking methane-mitigating interventions to enhance enteric methane reduction in ruminant livestock
Z. Durmic, M. T. Harrison, R. Eckard, J. Jacobs, J. Kay, F. Cowley, B. Hayes

12:00 Breed differences in enteric emissions of Angus and Hays Converter beef heifers grazing naturalized pastures in Western Canada
W. Hao, A. Macias Franco, A. E. Moreira Da Silva, S. Lasso Ramirez, M. C. Londono Mendez, V. Ramirez Sepulveda, V. Mah, G. Nickols, K. Wood, E. Santos, G. Medeiros Da Silva

12:15 What the Azorean Catrina Can Teach Us in Contrast to the Holstein-Friesian
A. R. Azevedo, A. Da Câmara Machado, R. Franco-Duarte, J. Fagundes, A. Borba, D. Mendonça, M. S. Lopes

12:30 Methane emissions as affected by animal traits and productivity in dairy sheep: a GreenFeed® study on lactating ewes
E. Senatore, T. Malizzi, A. Silvi, F. Mannelli, G. Foggi, F. Scicutella, A. Medeiros, A. Buccioni, A. Mantino, S. Grande, A. Negro, M. Mele

12:45 Vaccination reduced Enteric Methane, without adverse effect on performance and nutrient digestibility of Beef Cattle
M. Muntari, B. Arciero, Z. Seekford, T. Minela, M. Ledwaba, G. E. Carstens, K. G. Pohler, C. G. Lamb

Poster Session 9

09.06 Bivariate analyses increase genomic prediction accuracy for enteric methane emission in Nelore cattle
T. L. D. S. Soares, O. Gonzalez-Recio, L. F. M. Mota, M. E. Z. Mercadante

09.07 Which Cow Breathes Cleaner? Comparing Methane emissions from the Catrina and the Holstein-Friesian
A. R. Azevedo, A. Da Câmara Machado, R. Franco-Duarte, J. Fagundes, A. Borba, D. Mendonça, M. S. Lopes

09.08 Effect of early weaning and feed additive supplementation on enteric methane emissions in new born dairy beef calves
A. Ayoob Khan, L. Cardenas, D. Enriquez Hidalgo, M. J. Rivero

09.09 Breeding for Lower Emissions: Exploring Enteric Methane, Residual Feed Intake, and Parasite Resistance in Lleyn Sheep
S. Morgan, N. Naylor, R. Wilkinson

09.10 Carry-over vs acute heat stress effects on the behavior of dairy cows exposed to a GreenFeed system to measure enteric gas emissions
I. Toledo, D. Onan-Martinez, M. De Bari, H. Olmo, J. Lance, G. Dahl

09.11 Methane Emissions and Productive Performance of Dairy Cows in Organic and Conventional Systems
A. Garcia-Rodriguez, R. Ruiz, H. Benhissi, A. Varsaki, C. Orlandini-Mendoza, O. Gonzalez-Recio, M. Martinez-Alvaro, J. A. Jimenez-Montero, I. Goiri

Session 10. Animal Systems (2)

Room: Main auditorium
Chair: Leytem / Jackson
Session Type: Theme session

Theatre Session 10

14:15 Whole-Farm Approaches to Advance Climate-Smart Livestock Systems
invited *C. Wagner-Riddle, A. Olivo*

15:00 Mapping Pathways to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Canadian Dairies by 2030 and 2050
A. Olivo[1], J. Minigan, S. Binggeli, S. Jayasundara, B. Mcconkey, D. Burton, E. Charbonneau, A. Vanderzaag, C. Wagner-Riddle

15:15 LIFE Green Sheep project: Mitigation strategies reduce carbon footprint of European sheep production
S. Throude, H. Chanel, M. Acciaro, O. Del Hierro, R. Ruiz, T. W. J. Keady, C. Buckley, L. Bragina, C. Dragomir

15:30 Systems level and nationally aggregated climate smart development pathways in Kenya's beef sector
J. Hawkins, R. Emiru, C. Stull-Lane, M. Staines, J. Creemers, C. Jones, S. Leitner, C. Arndt

15:45 Carbon balance of beef production: LCA-based estimation of emissions and carbon sequestration in silvopastoral systems
M. Finocchi, S. Sari, G. Zucca, F. Cella, A. Mantino, L. Bava, M. Zucali, A. Sandrucci, M. Mele

16:00 Coffe Break

16:30 Estimate carbon balance and financial viability for crop-livestock mixed farming and agrosilvopastoral systems: insights from the DIGITAF project
A. Ripamonti, M. Finocchi, E. Senatore, F. Cella, T. Malizzi, I. Lusini, L. Tramacere, M. Mele, A. Mantino

16:45 Implications of livestock FAO 2050 emissions projections on temperature change and carbon dioxide removal using GWP and GWP* metrics
F. Correddu, M. F. Lunesu, S. Sechi, M. F. Caratzu, G. Pulina

17:00 Engaging farmers in the climate change debate using a Citizens' Jury approach
A. Jackson

17:15 Motivations, constraints and incentives for adoption of climate-smart innovations: Evidence from UK dairy farmers
Y. Gadanakis, D. Enriquez-Hidalgo, Z. Baker, C. Reynolds, A. Mertens

17:30 Closing lecture
invited *A. Bannink*

18:00 Podium discussion

Session 11. Enteric methane - Measurement methods

Room: Room 2
Chair: Terranova / Kreuzer
Session Type: Theme session

Theatre Session 11

15:00 Integration of 3D camera–based postural analysis for early lameness detection and methane intensity mitigation in dairy cows
A. D. Garcia Lamothe

15:15 Linear and nonlinear relationship between global positioning system collars and enteric emissions for beef heifers grazing naturalized pastures
W. Hao, A. Macias Franco, A. E. Moreira Da Silva, S. Lasso Ramirez, M. C. Londono Mendez, V. Ramirez Sepulveda, V. Mah, G. Nickols, K. Wood, E. R. Santos, G. Medeiros Da Silva

15:30 Methodological assessment of the Gas Endeavour device for real-time measurement of CO_2 and CH_4 emissions from sheep diets
R. Gannuscio, G. Maniaci, M. Todaro

15:45 Coffe Break

16:15 Evaluation of Laser-based spot measurements using ventilated hoods chambers for direct enteric methane emissions
G. Foggi, L. Lanzoni, R. Boré, E. Senatore, G. Altana, M. Azzena, A. Franca, E. Vagnoni, A. Ledda, F. Correddu, S. Throude, M. Mele, A. S. Atzori

16:30 Evaluating the Accuracy of ZELP Sense™ Against Respiration Chambers for Methane Emission Measurement in Cattle
S. Silvestri, S. Muetzel, R. Bica

16:45 Comparison of procedures for estimating enteric methane emissions in dairy herds
M. Berton, M. A. Ramirez Mauricio, A. Cecchinato, H. Toledo Alvarado, M. Nocetti, L. Gallo, E. Sturaro

Poster Session 11

11.08 Effect of feed additives on in vitro gas production kinetics
M. G. Camilo, S. A. S. Oliveira, L. C. V. Ítavo, L. L. Santos Féres, A. H. M. Arcanjo, E. A. Silva

11.09 Evaluation of the Kleiber index in dairy Gyr heifers fed diets with different associations of wheat silage
M. G. Camilo, D. S. S. Lisboa, E. A. Silva, A. H. M. Arcanjo, B. G. C. Homem, L. S. Rezende, G. C. Alves, L. E. F. Zadra

11.10 Ability of faecal NIRS for predicting methane emissions in cows supplemented with antimethanogenic additives
D. M. Soares, N. Baleret, D. Parra, C. Martin, D. Andueza

11.11 Effect of nitrate supplementation on the in vitro gas production profile of grass and maize silage
V. Ambriz Vilchis, M. Palmer, A. Holland

11.12 Sniffer sensors vs. SF_6 gas-tracer technique: A field comparison in pasture-based dairy systems
J. Fernández, H. Naya, M. Carriquiry, E. Peñagaricano, A. Rivoir, A. La Manna, V. Ciganda, C. Loza

11.13 In vitro gas production kinetics of feed-grade urea and protected urea
A. F. Reis, M. G. Camilo, S. A.s. Oliveira, L. C.v. Ítavo, L. L. Santos Féres, A. H.m. Arcanjo, E. A. Silva

11.14 Advantages and limitations of the Use of Laser Methane Detector for Ranking Enteric Methane Emissions: practical recommendations
D. Meo Zilio, R. Steri, M. Iacurto

11.15 In vitro gas production of different forages and their implications for greenhouse gas mitigation
A. F. Reis, M. G. Camilo, S. A.s. Oliveira, L. C.v. Ítavo, L. L. Santos Féres, A. H.m. Arcanjo, E. A. Silva

11.16 In Vitro Gas Production Kinetics of Protein and Energy Concentrates Used in Bovine Nutrition
S. A. S. De Oliveira, M. G. Camilo, A. H. M. Arcanjo, I. C. Ferreira, L. C. V. Ítavo, L. L. Santos Féres, E. A. Da Silva

11.17 Mathematical model for adjustments of in vitro gases production at different inclusion levels of wheat silage
S. A. S. De Oliveira, M. G. Camilo, I. C. Ferreira, L. C. V. Ítavo, L. L. S. Féres, M. A. O. Coelho, E. A. Da Silva

11.18 In vitro gas production dynamics of forage peanut cv. BRS Mandobi
A. Arcanjo, M. Camilo, S. Oliveira, L. Santos Féres, E. Silva, J. Silva, L. Ítavo

11.19 In vitro gas production kinetics for different inclusion levels of wheat silage
E. A. Silva, D. S. S. Lisboa, S. A. S. Oliveira, M. G. Camilo, L. L. S. Féres, L. C. V. Ítavo, A. H. M. Arcanjo

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The Centro Cultural e de Congressos provides a welcoming and inspiring environment for knowledge exchange, featuring spacious auditoriums, meeting rooms equipped with advanced audiovisual technology, and comfortable areas designed to foster interaction among participants. Its central location allows easy access to the city's main attractions, hotels, and restaurants, while being close to the coastline and the surrounding volcanic landscapes.

Hosting the conference in this unique setting reflects the strong connection between science, culture, and sustainability that characterizes the Azores. Participants will have the opportunity not only to engage in a high-level scientific program but also to experience the rich heritage, natural beauty, and warm hospitality of Angra do Heroísmo and Terceira Island.

Agriculture in the Azores islands

The Azores, an autonomous region of Portugal located in the North Atlantic Ocean, consist of nine volcanic islands characterized by a rich natural heritage and a long agricultural tradition. Agriculture and livestock production are vital components of the Azorean economy, closely integrated with the region's landscapes and cultural identity.

The islands' mild oceanic climate, fertile volcanic soils, and abundant rainfall provide excellent conditions for livestock farming and the cultivation of high-quality forage and crops. Dairy production, particularly from cattle grazing on open pastures, represents the backbone of Azorean agriculture and is internationally recognized for its quality and sustainability. In addition to dairy farming, beef cattle, small ruminants, and pig production also play an important role, while horticulture, fruit growing, and viticulture are gaining prominence.

The agricultural sector in the Azores encompasses around 100,000 hectares of utilized agricultural area, primarily composed of small and medium-sized family farms. These farms are deeply committed to sustainable practices and environmental preservation, reflecting the islands' dedication to balancing productivity with ecosystem protection.

In recent decades, Azorean agriculture has undergone modernization, with growing investment in technology, animal welfare, and circular economy strategies aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions and promoting renewable energy. Despite challenges such as geographical isolation and demographic decline in rural areas, the sector remains a key driver of local development and innovation.

Through these dynamics, the Azores maintain a resilient agricultural system that safeguards their cultural and natural heritage while contributing to food security, environmental stewardship, and a sustainable rural economy.

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The city's historic center, recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1983, is a living testimony to its rich past. Its cobbled streets, colorful façades, baroque churches, and grand squares reflect centuries of cultural and architectural evolution. Landmarks such as the Sé Cathedral, the Fortress of São João Baptista, and the Duke of Terceira Garden highlight Angra's heritage as a crossroads of civilizations and a bastion of Atlantic identity.

Over the centuries, Angra do Heroísmo has preserved its deep connection to the sea and to rural traditions. Terceira's landscape, shaped by volcanic activity, lush pastures, and hedgerow-enclosed fields, provides a distinctive setting for agriculture and livestock farming, which remain central to the island's economy and way of life.

Today, Angra do Heroísmo stands as a vibrant city that harmoniously blends history, culture, and innovation. It hosts major scientific, cultural, and artistic events throughout the year, fostering international exchange and community engagement. The city's warm hospitality, combined with its rich gastronomy, festivals, and natural beauty, makes it an ideal location for both academic gatherings and tourism.

We invite you to discover Angra do Heroísmo and Terceira Island, an exceptional place where heritage, science, and sustainability come together in the heart of the Atlantic. For more information, you can visit the official Azores Tourism website: https://www.visitazores.com

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Local Time Zone
The Azores operate on Azores Standard Time (AZOT), which is UTC/GMT -1.

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The Azores enjoy a mild oceanic climate throughout the year, characterized by moderate temperatures and high humidity. In April, average daytime temperatures range between 15°C and 20°C, with occasional light rain. Participants are advised to bring light clothing and a waterproof jacket.

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Portugal uses type F and type C electrical sockets. The voltage is 230V, and the frequency is 50Hz.

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Inter-island ferry services connect Terceira with other islands of the Azores, operated by Atlânticoline. Ferry schedules may vary depending on the season, so advance booking is recommended.

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