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## XV<sup>th</sup> Middle European Buiatrics Congress and 10<sup>th</sup> ECBHM Symposium

With the ECBHM AGM, 10<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> June 2015, Maribor Slovenia



The ECBHM congress and AGM are coming up!  
Please visit the website of the congress to have a look at the scientific programme and for all practical information regarding travel and accommodation arrangements:

[www.MEBC-ECBHM-2015.si](http://www.MEBC-ECBHM-2015.si)

If you have not done so yet, get ready to travel to Slovenia. We need you at the **AGM 2015** to discuss important matters for our College and for the election of new ECBHM officers!  
See all documents on [www.ecbhm.org](http://www.ecbhm.org) (restricted member area).

## How to get to Maribor

Maribor is the second most important centre and the second largest city of Slovenia. It has about 114.000 inhabitants who live embraced in its wine growing hills and the Mariborsko Pohorje Mountain. Located near the Slovenian border with Austria, beside the Drava River and at the centre of five natural geographic regions, Maribor is the capital of Štajerska, the Slovenian Styria.

Maribor is only 70 km away from Graz (Austria), 120 km from Zagreb (Croatia) and 260 km from Vienna (Austria).

Graz International Airport is only 48 km away from Maribor.

Two shuttle buses will be organized from Graz Airport to the Congress and Convention Centre Habakuk in Maribor on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2015 from Graz airport at 12.00 and 14.30.

You can easily reach Maribor also from Graz Airport by train from the airport train station (about 500 m east of the airport), and bus or taxi if you are not coming on time for the shuttle buses.

For those coming by car just follow your GPS to the Congress and Convention Centre Habakuk in Maribor.

If you have specific and/or urgent questions, contact the Secretary of the Congress:

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## Approval granted by EBVS to ECBHM based on the 5-year report submitted by the ECBHM Board in November 2014



The ECBHM representatives



The EBVS executive committee



EBVS AGM in Brussels

All Colleges affiliated to the European Board of Veterinary Specialization (EBVS) are required to submit a detailed report on their activities every 5 years to keep their recognition by EBVS. The 5-year report prepared by the ECBHM Board and Committee Chairs submitted in November 2014 was approved unanimously by the EBVS Board at the annual meeting in Brussels in April 2015. The meeting was attended by the President Mireille Meylan and the Vice-President Ingrid Lorenz.

Please read the 5-year report in the protected area of the ECBHM ([www.ecbhm.org](http://www.ecbhm.org)), you will find interesting facts and numbers regarding our College!

We are on the web!  
See us at:  
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## Dates for your Diary

2015 ACVIM Forum  
Indianapolis, Indiana, USA  
June 3-6, 2015  
[www.acvim.org](http://www.acvim.org)



Middle European Buiatrics  
Congress and ECBHM AGM  
Maribor, Slovenia  
June 10-13, 2015  
[www.mebc-ecbhm-2015.si](http://www.mebc-ecbhm-2015.si)



European Buiatrics Forum  
2015  
Rome, Italy  
October 14-17, 2015  
[www.buiatricsforum.com](http://www.buiatricsforum.com)



World Association of Buiatrics  
29th World Buiatrics Congress  
Dublin, Ireland  
3-8 July 2016  
[www.wbc2016.com](http://www.wbc2016.com)



## ECBHM Residents Workshop 2015, Nottingham, UK



This year saw Nottingham University play host to the expanding group of keen, eager and some even say eminent ECBHM residents. And it hardly could have been any better! We had in-depth and comprehensive coverage of the main 3 herd health issues - lameness, fertility and mastitis - provided by an illustrious panel of speakers, who delivered in a brilliant way. One topic was covered each day, with seminars providing a background into both recent developments in each of the areas and information on data interpretation, and cutting edge discussion amongst speakers and residents on the impact of the residents work. We then broke off into smaller groups to have a go at some data analysis ourselves, kindly aided by the Nottingham residents helping with the computer program (including the use of the smallest ever computer screen – John Remnant!) and giving us some useful pointers when we needed them.

Two farm visits were also organized, displaying very different aspects of some of the dairying systems in use in the UK. Discussion of the systems as we were shown around highlighted some key areas we should try to assess on our own farms, with the trips made even more enjoyable by the great weather.

As always, the workshop provided a great chance for the residents to catch up with old friends, and the chance to make some more with the addition of some first year residents. Of course, our fellow colleagues that could not attend this year's workshop were utterly missed! Traditional British pub food was provided on the first night, followed by a stylish meal at a restaurant in Nottingham city itself on the second evening, with kind sponsorship from Boehringer Ingelheim.

A concise but useful summary of the upcoming events was given by our ECBHM President Mireille Meylan, where the interest of carrying on with the residents' workshop was approached and a very positive response from everybody in the room was the highlight.

Overall the workshop had excellent organization despite some last minute rearrangements due to staff illness, and a massive thanks and congratulations to all the staff at Nottingham who enabled this event to take place and to our College for supporting it.

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