

2nd International Small Carnivore Workshop PROGRAMME

March 4

Registration & Icebreaker

18:00-21:00 Registration & Icebreaker at Tallinn Zoo's rainforest restaurant
18:00-19:00 Free time at the rainforest exhibit
20:00-20:30 Featured documentary from the Civet Project Foundation followed by Q&A | hosted by Zak Showell

March 5

Conference Day 1 | Talks and practical sessions | Tallinn Zoo (Ehitajate tee 150)

8:30-9:00 Registration
9:00-9:15 Welcome and housekeeping

Talks in the auditorium

9:15-9:45 **Small Carnivore TAG Update**, Aude Haelewyn-Desmoulins
9:45-10:45 **Plenary: The plight of Malagasy species**, Frank Hawkins

10:45-11:05 coffee break

Session I: Malagasy small carnivore talks | Chair: Aude Haelewyn-Desmoulins

11:05-11:30 **Fosa, Bokiboky, Ring-tailed vantsira and more – a trip to the unique Malagasy fauna and its habitats**, Johannes Pfliederer
11:30-11:55 **Smaller Malagasy Species EEP**, Frederic Houssaye

Lightning talks:

1. **The welfare of zoo-housed *Cryptoprocta ferox*: Ethological and Physiological parameters**, Caterina Spiezio
2. **Poster: Comparative *in and ex situ* study of ring-tailed vantsiras: preliminary results**, Delphine Rouillet

12:05-13:00 lunch break

Session II: Asiatic small carnivore talks | Chair: Janno Weerman

13:00-13:25 **Research and Management of Small Carnivores at Mandai Wildlife Group: A Decade in Review**, Guillaume Douay
13:25-13:50 **Civets in the coffee trade**, Zak Showell
13:50-14:15 **The intersecting issues of *in and ex-situ* conservation of binturong**, Pauline Kayser
14:15-14:45 **Update on Asian otters**, Jason Palmer

14:45-15:05 coffee break

Practical sessions

15:05-17:00 1st workshop session

Workshops on offer:

- **Conservation education for small carnivores: keepers as ambassadors**, Zak Showell | Room: *Eluslooduse klass (Wildlife class)*
- **Enclosure design/mixed exhibits with small carnivores**, Johannes Pfliederer | Room: *Auditorium*
- **Behavioural management of small carnivores (training)**, Lea Tummeleht | Room: *Kopra klass (Beaver class)*

March 6

Conference Day 2 – Talks and practical sessions | Tallinn Zoo (Ehitajate tee 150)

Talks in the auditorium

Session III: European mink talks | Chair: Kristel Nemvalts

9:00-9:30 **Plenary: From critical to alarming: updated global status of the critically endangered European mink**, Madis Põdra
9:30-10:00 **The history of the European mink captive breeding programme**, Tiit Maran
10:00-10:15 **Conservation of European mink in Germany**, Wolfgang Festl
10:15-10:30 **Genetic structure of the European mink captive populations**, Grete Nummert-Meister
10:30-10:45 **European mink release project on Saaremaa island, Estonia**, Martin Silts
10:45-11:00 **European mink breeding and reintroduction planning in France**, Emmanuel Mouton & Maylis Fayet
11:00-11:15 **Research on reproductive behaviour and physiology of the European mink**, Kairi Kiik
11:15-11:20 **The heart of mink**, Priit Peetris

11:20-11:40 coffee break

Session IV: Small carnivore lightning talks | Chair: Guillaume Douay

11:40-12:10

1. **Monitoring the welfare of a pair of Asian small-clawed otters under human care: analysis of behaviour and enclosure use in different seasons**, Francesca Bandoli
2. **The Behaviour and Welfare of two pairs of Red Pandas (*Ailurus fulgens*) at Parco Natura Viva: a case study**, Caterina Spiezio
3. **Feeding behaviour and enclosure use of a pair of zoo-housed red pandas (*Ailurus fulgens*)**, Alice Cavicchio
4. **Changing husbandry and feeding routine to build positive keeper-animal relationships: the case of red pandas at Pistoia Zoo**, Alessia Rinaldini
5. **The effect of running VIP events at night on three species of small carnivores**, Märt Kose
6. **Paternal Infanticide Event in Asian Small Clawed Otters**, Amy Heffernan

12:10-13:10 lunch break

Session V: Small carnivore miscellaneous talks | Chair: María Díez León

13:10-13:25 **Meerkat introductions: the dos and don'ts**, Jessie Boylan
13:25-13:45 **Population management toolbox**, Janno Weerman
13:45-14:00 **Overview of the *ex situ* and *in situ* approaches to breeding and reintroducing wildcats in Scotland**, Estelle Morgan
14:00-14:10 **Transforming fishing cat and fish-farmers conflict into conservation**, Ganesh Puri

14:10-14:30 coffee break

Practical sessions

14:30-16:25 2nd workshop session

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19:00-22:00: Gala Dinner at the Olde Hansa restaurant (Vana turg 1, Tallinn Old Town)

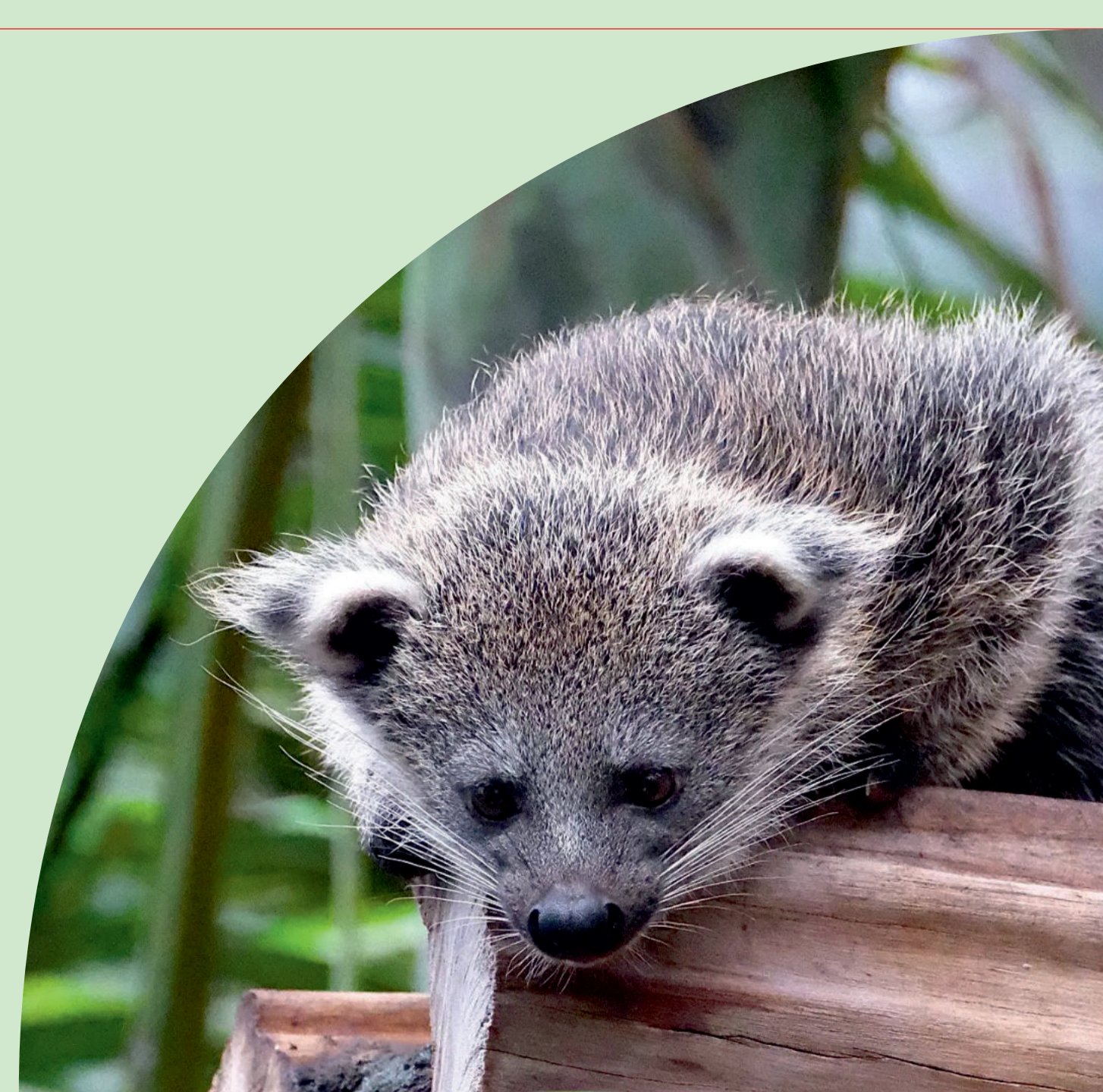
March 7

Conference Day 3 | Tallinn Zoo (Ehitajate tee 150)

10:00-11:30 Workshop summaries in the auditorium
11:30-12:00 Final words, auction winners, and goodbye

12:00-13:00 lunch break

13:00 Tour to the European mink breeding centre OR free time at the zoo OR networking options (rooms will be available for side meetings)



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