Dear interested person for VTK2022a,

You were interested in our VTK 2022a course for laboratory animals guiding FELASA function A qualification (old classification FELASA B). Therefore you receive this information with the attached registration form.

The **theoretic part** as lecture in German takes part from 16^{th} - 18^{th} of March 2022 in a lecture hall of University of Freiburg. Only in case of governmental health restrictions we will have a Webinar. Schedule for lectures:

Wednesday, 2022, 16th of March 7:45 - 17:00 h Thursday, 2020, 17th of March 8:00 - 18:00 h Friday, 2022, 18th of March 8:00 - 17:00 h

(Reserves and breaks included). Detailed timetable end of week 10 after closure of registration.

Practical part for Mouse/Rat module will be taught in individual small groups once for 3 days in March 2022 – August 2022. Information about allocations will be done end of week 10. English practice groups are limited and will take part only in Mai and July 2022. If you understand a little German we can offer you earlier and more dates. Please have a look on my homepage concerning courses in English and course contents: http://www.med.uni-freiburg.de/de/verwaltung/tieraerztliche-referentin

If you are definitively interested in registering for this course VTK2022a please fill in the attached registration form(s). Send it by email to **vtk.mdek@uniklinik-freiburg.de**. Please fill in **one form per participant** and check for **valid factoring number**. Invalid factoring number impedes course attendance!!!

Latest 10 days after your registration you'll get a confirmation by email (except during holidays from 15.12.21-11.01.22). Only in end of week 10 you will get confirmation for course admission and group scheduling. Admission will be done by first come-first served principle. Registration ends on **04.03.2022**. Please consider that we may have limited places due to Covid-19 restrictions!

As this course is accredited by GV-SOLAS we point out that the certificate corresponding FELASA function A regulations can only be obtained by full attendance of 40 h (20h lectures and 20 h practice module Mouse/Rat), passed final exam and active participation in the practical part.***

You should be fully vaccinated against Tetanus and all necessary precautions should be taken by allergic people prior to attendance of the practical part. You have to be vaccinated against or recovered from COVID-19 infection (**2G** rule in Germany) for participation.

Please, **only use job related email address** as emails from private accounts often end up on spam and communication for VTK2022a course is done mainly by email.

Access to VTK-online/LAS interactive will only be possible by telling us a job-related email and is already included in the course fees. Access will be possible when getting the datas by email.

Note: In concerns of data privacy we ask you to give permission for using your datas in order to be able to establish a course list of participants and attendance. Refusing your agreement will cause that you cannot participate the course.

Please contact me for questions directly by email as well if you are interested in other modules (eg. zebrafish, xenopus, rabbits, function D module).

Kind regards, Dr. R. Sanchez.

*** Education and training are carried out according to the recommendations of the Federation of European Laboratory Animal Science Associations for the education and training of persons carrying out animal experiments (FELASA function A, persons carrying out procedures on animals, FELASA category B in former times). The course is accredited by the German Society for Laboratory Animal Science – "Gesellschaft für Versuchstierkunde", GV-SOLAS.

For this reason we cannot change the actual structure and contents of the course if the participants want to gain the accredited certificate of attendance that is accepted by the German / European authorities. But we can add some parts to the course as e.g. a special English lecture part as online supplement. I can offer to learn the theoretical part by an additional online supplement in English, called VTK-online. **Access to VTK-online** will only be possible by telling us a job-related email and is already included in the course fees. Access will be possible when getting your datas by email.

Due to accreditation, this course on Laboratory Animal Science will be structured for English-speaking participants as follows:

- -When the lectures in German for the theoretical part will take place you 'll have to attend these lectures (20 hours, in 3 days) if you want to obtain the accredited certificate.
- -Participants will get an access to LAS interactive online program (in English, German or French) to study the theory by themselves.
- -20 hours practice will be performed in small English speaking groups.
- -The final exam can be done in English (or German).

Please note that we do not translate all the German lectures in an English script and a minimum of German is necessary to follow the basics of German lectures .

Obviously that is not the ideal organization of a Course in English but it is our answer for researchers demand in accordance with actual legislations, administrative barriers and limited budgets.

If you don't feel fine with this proceedings or don't want to accept them, you have the possibility to desist from registration as we can neither discuss nor change this procedure during the course due to time limits. Obviously outside the course event you may always contact us even in this concern.

Thank you for your understanding.