

**Red Española para el Desarrollo de
Métodos Alternativos a la
experimentación animal**

10 años



1999-2009

***Los métodos alternativos a la experimentación
animal ante las nuevas normativas
internacionales***

**IV Jornada de REMA, X Aniversario
Colegio Oficial de Veterinarios de Madrid
1 de diciembre de 2009**

Documentos disponibles en <http://www.remanet.net/>

WHO?



***ecopa, la plataforma
de las plataformas europeas***

*ecopa, the alliance platform of
Europe's National Platforms*

REMA Madrid 10 years anniversary

X Aniversario de REMA

Dr. B. Garthoff, ecopa, Bayer AG, D-Leverkusen

WHO?



CONGRATULATIONS!

10 años



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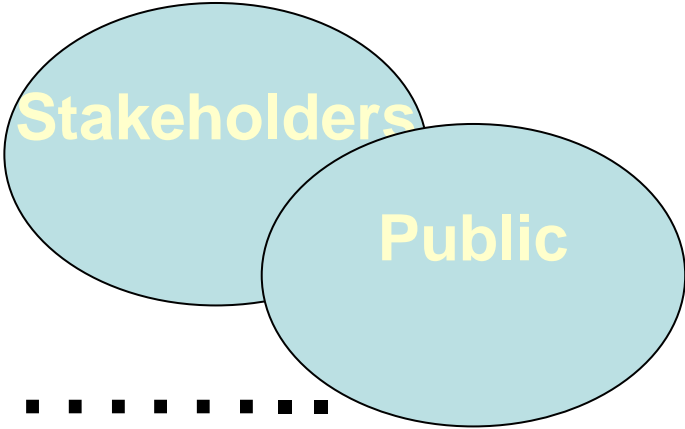


10 YEARS ANNIVERSARY!

WHAT?



- Basis of *ecopa*
- Structure of *ecopa*
- Aims
- Member platforms
- Rôle in EU-activities
- ecopa*-support to member platforms
- Projects: e.g. ReProTect
- Dissemination activities: eSi-example



EU-Commission
DGs
Countries,
Member States

WHAT?



EUROPEAN CONSENSUS PLATFORM ON 3R-ALTERNATIVES

- **International Not-For-Profit Organisation according to Belgian law (Statutes Moniteur Belge- 21/4/2004, n°04061510)**
- **Non Governmental Organisation (NGO)**
- **Umbrella Organisation of National Consensus Platforms at EU level**

NCPs

STRUCTURE



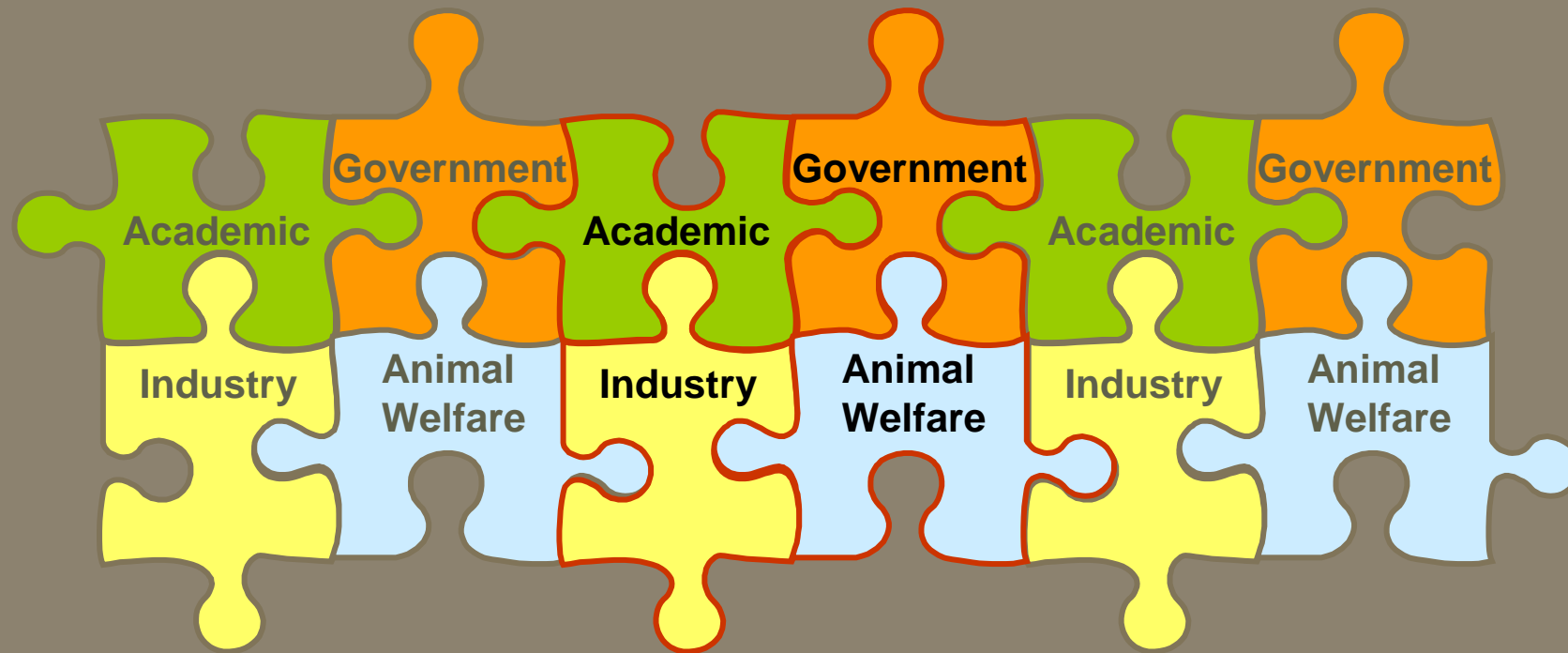
PER COUNTRY : NCP

NATIONAL CONSENSUS PLATFORM

4 PARTIES !

- **Academia**
- **Industry**
- **Animal Welfare**
- **Government**

QUADRIPARTITE ORGANISATION AT EUROPEAN LEVEL *ecopa*



**NATIONAL
CONSENSUS
PLATFORM 1**

**NATIONAL
CONSENSUS
PLATFORM 2**

**NATIONAL
CONSENSUS
PLATFORM 3**

STRUCTURE ?



EXCECUTIVE BOARD: DAILY WORK

Chair : Adela LOPEZ DE CERAIN, SPAIN (Academia)

Co-chair : Odile DE SILVA, FRANCE (Industry)

Treasurer : Lisbeth E. KNUDSEN, DENMARK (Academia)

NEW!

BOARD:

Delegate 1: Isabelle d'Angelis, Italy, Academia

Delegate 2 : Gerhard Gstraunthaler, Austria, Academia

Delegate 3 : Roman Kolar, Germany, Animal Welfare

Delegate 4 : Janne Kuil, Netherlands, Animal Welfare

3R Expert 1 :Troy Seidle, UK ,Animal Welfare

3 R Expert 2 :Thomas Hartung, Germany/USA, Academia/Government

3 R Expert 3 :Philippe Vanparys, Belgium, Government/Industry

RESEARCH

FP6



FP7

EDUCATION

FORMATION

POLITICS

REACH

ETHICS

- ★ EXCHANGE OF SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION, EXPERTISE AND EXPERIENCE

- ★ FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF 3R-METHODS
 - Refine
 - Reduce
 - Replace

- ★ IMPROVE PUBLIC, GOVERNMENTAL AND SCIENTIFIC AWARENESS

ACTUAL STATUS



16 MEMBERS

★ **14 FULL MEMBERS:** EXISTING CONSENSUS PLATFORMS

Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, The Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland

★ **2 ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:** CONSENSUS PLATFORMS UNDER FORMATION

Poland

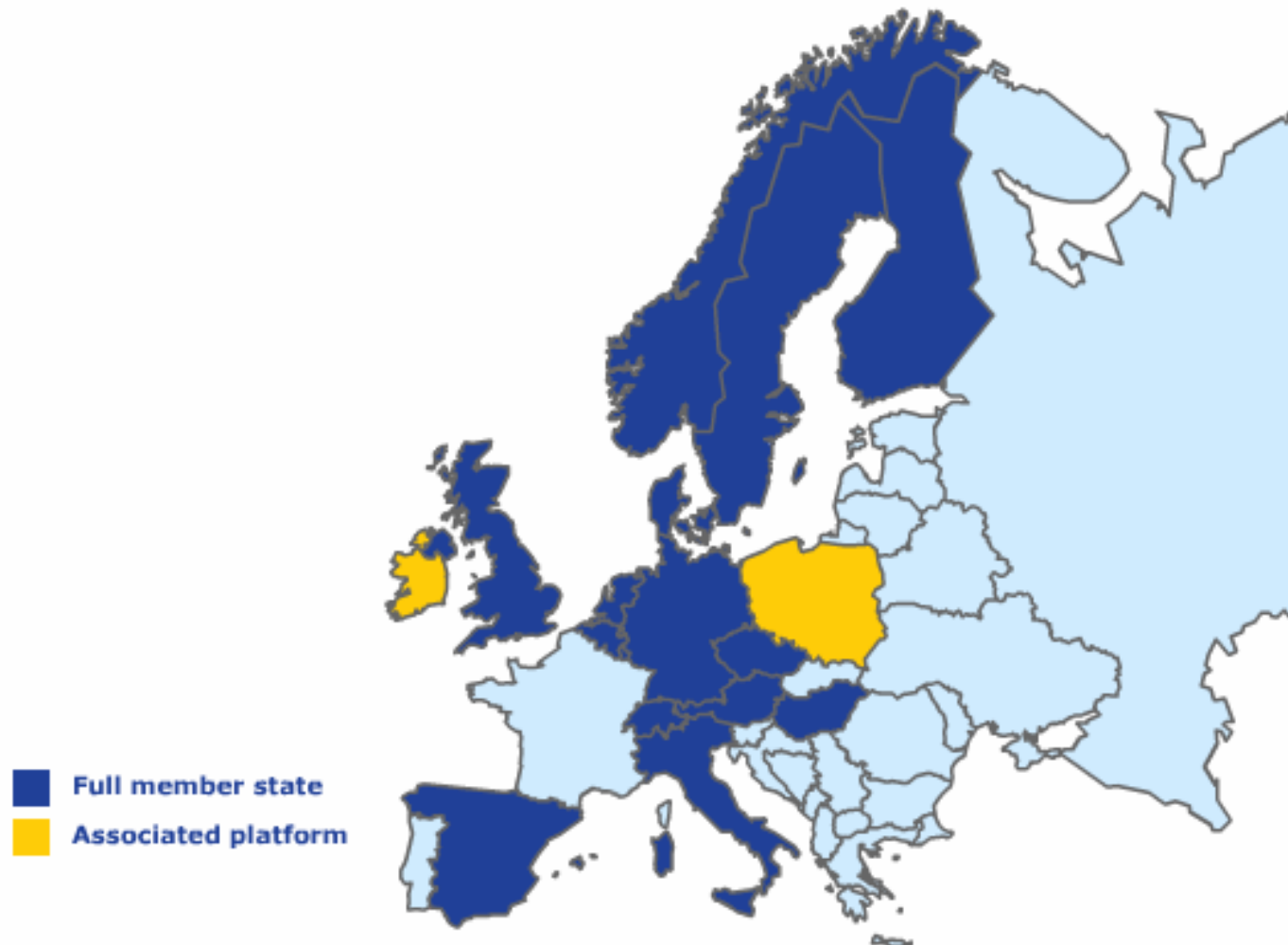
★ **INTERESTED MEMBER:** *Ireland, UK*

ACTUAL STATUS



 **ecopa members**

click on a country for further informations.



TOOLS



- ★ **CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, PUBLICATIONS**
- ★ **SPREADING OF INFORMATION**
- ★ **SCIENTIFIC & EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES**

PARTICIPATION IN EU PROJECTS
eSi WORKSHOPS
ANNUAL *ecopa* WORKSHOPS

- ★ **MEMBERSHIP OF RELEVANT BODIES**
- ★ **CRITICAL & SCIENTIFIC POLITICAL STATEMENTS!**
- ★ **REPORTS, e.g. 'Impact of REACH 2006'**

MAJOR AIMS OF EU-PROJECT CONAM

- creation of new NCPs
- newsletter on 3R-alternatives
- website with up-dated info on 3R-alternatives : www.ecopa.eu
- organisation of workshops, meetings
- international cooperation



EUROPEAN PARTNERSHIP

- **epaa** (European Partnership for Alternative Approaches to Animal Testing)
- EU Commission with Industries
- Participation in mirror group, working group and co-chair in 2008

RÔLE IN EU-ACTIVITIES II



EU-PROJECTS

- **Coordination of CONAM (FP6*)**
- **Participation in FP6-Projects:**
 - **PREDICTOMICS**
 - **A-CUTE-TOX**
 - **REPROTECT**
 - **SENS-IT-IV**
 - **BIOSIM**
 - **carcinoGENOMICS**
 - **LIINTOP**
 - **FORINVITOX**
- **Follow-up START UP (FP7)**
 - **esnats**

*(FP = Framework Programme)

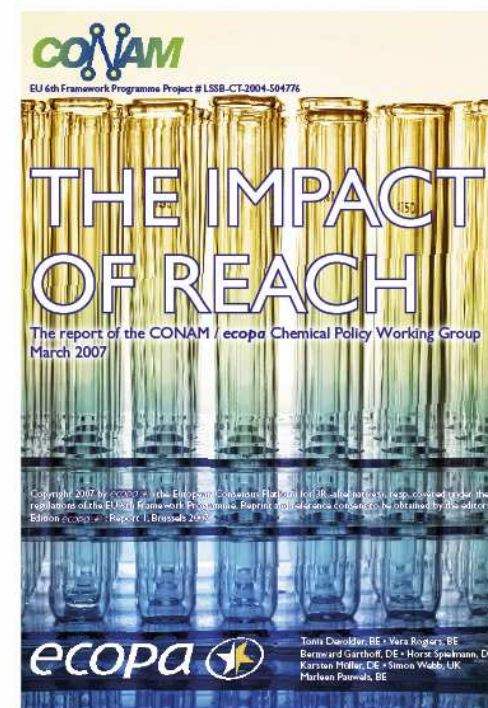
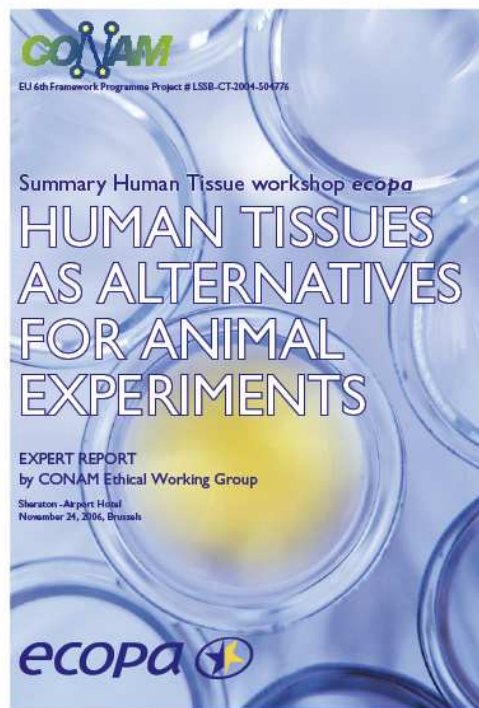
CONAM reports



•CONAM/ecopa report : “The impact of REACH”

•Report:
“Human Tissues as alternatives
for animal experiments”

•Report:
“3Rs implementation in Europe”



- **Assistance in regulatory establishments of their new platform**
- **Statutes, by-laws**
- **Demonstration of different model structures**
- **Offering of docs/materials in different EU-languages such as courses**
- **Supply of tools such as the “ecopa REACH animal calculator”**
- **Information dissemination on the future platform-activities on ‘website’ and newsletter messenger**
- **Supply of ‘messenger’ to all registered platform representatives**

- **Invitation of the respective delegate of the future, associate or member platform**
- **Invitation of PhD-students to the eSi-programs (twice for Norway)**
- **Representation at EU-level vs. EU-Commission**
- **Updated information on all relevant alternative method activities in EU, other platform, nations and associations, incl. awards, prizes, workshops, EU-consultations etc.**
- **Offering to participate in projects of the R&D-Framework programs of the EU, and updated information on the results**

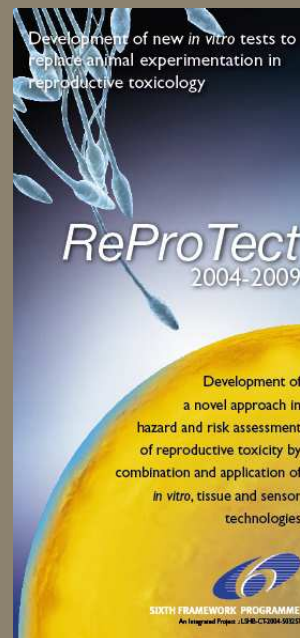
HOW ?



★ ReProTect – EXAMPLE:

- Board, chairman + 2 members
- Strategy development, challenge
- Flyers, info brochure, website development

Information on FLYERs+BROCHURES in the  -messenger!



eSi

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**Science
Initiative**

- ★ Alicante 29-31/10/2004
- ★ Alicante 29-30/09/2006
- ★ Alicante 25-27/09/2008


“ YOUNG SCIENTISTS MEET TOP SENIOR SCIENTISTS ”


3rd eSI Workshop

*"New avenues to research and development including safety testing of
pharmaceuticals and cosmetics"*

A joint initiative of ecopa and epaa reaching the young scientists

Pueblo Acantilado, Alicante (Spain), 17th-19th October 2008

 [Organising Committee](#)

 [About eSI Conferences](#)





START-UP

Scientific and Technological Issues in
Alternatives Research in
Drug Development and Union Politics



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The **START-UP project*** is a Support Action within the EU FP7 (HEALTH):

Bottlenecks in reduction, refinement and replacement of animal testing in pharmaceutical discovery and development

- **START-UP is not about experimental research but about coordination, support and networking; it will be carried out by *ecopa* and the national platforms**
- **Duration of the project: 2 years**

* **START-UP stands for: Scientific Technological Issues in Alternatives Research in Drug Development and Union Politics**

CONGRATULATIONS



REMA!

and

ADELE, the new chair of ecopa



THANK YOU



Merry Xmas + a happy + healthy NEW YEAR!