

## **ECAWBM Animal Welfare Residency Report**

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### ***Residency requirements :***

Requirements for the standard and alternate residency have been drafted, approved and widely circulated. The requirements have been developed to be sufficiently flexible to allow veterinarians to apply whilst working in a variety of environments including clinical practice and research.

### ***Promoting residency :***

The Animal Welfare part of the ECAWBM has made strenuous efforts to promote uptake of the residency. De facto diplomats have been encouraged to identify potential recruits. Details of the residency have been included in the ECAWBM (AW) newsletter) and have been circulated to European animal welfare networks including Welfare Quality network and AWARE (Animal Welfare Research in an Enlarged Europe).

### ***Interest in residency :***

The chair of the committee is aware of less than five contacts from prospective candidates. Some candidates, including one from UK, have chosen to focus on the de facto route, i.e. gathering sufficient publications. Other candidates have had extensive discussions with the de-facto diplomats but have so far not yet completed application forms.