



Effects of Oil on Wildlife

10th International Conference

Tallinn, Estonia, 5 - 9 October 2009

Pre-conference courses

Short Courses: Monday, 5 October

Facilities for Oiled Wildlife Response: Hands On (08.30 - 12.30, 'Galaxy' Room)

Facilitated by: Curt Clumpner (International Bird Rescue Research Center) and Bill Dwyer (DwyerTech Inc.)

This course offers an introduction to the essentials of facility development and management. Participants will gain a basic understanding of the role of rehabilitation facilities in an oiled bird emergency response and take a closer look at the development and use of rehabilitation facilities in different parts of the world.

Oil Spill Response Basics (13.00 - 17.00, 'Meloodia' Room)

Facilitated by: Dr. Rob Holland and Gail Nxumalo (Oil Spill Response) and Andrew Tucker (ITOPF)

This course provides an introduction to the essential elements and basic principles involved in preparing for, responding to and managing an oil spill incident. Participants will be provided with outline knowledge of the principles and issues associated with the response to oil spills. No previous knowledge or experience of spill response is required.

Issues of Oiled Wildlife Response (13.00 - 17.00, 'Victoria' Room)

Facilitated by: Heidi Stout (Tri-State Bird Rescue and Research), Barbara Callahan and Curt Clumpner (International Bird Rescue Research Center)

This course offers an introduction to and discussion of some of the issues involved in responding to oiled wildlife events. The focus will be on the basic components of a response, management and integration into the spill response structure, and challenges faced by responders and response organisations in the changing international scene.

Principles of an Oiled Bird Impact Assessment (13.00 - 17.00, 'Fantaasia' Room)

Facilitated by: Mr. Kees Camphuysen (Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research) and Dr. Martin Heubeck (Shetland Oil Terminal Environmental Advisory Group)

This course provides an introduction to seabird impact assessment and the various aspects that need to be considered to make a reliable assessment of the damage caused to seabird populations by oil spills. Participants will be introduced to a number of topics, including:

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vulnerability mapping; advising oil spill response planners; and planning/ execution of an impact assessment.

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