



11th Annual ZOO Research Symposium
Antwerp Zoo Centre for Research and Conservation

GORILLA ROOMS | ZOO Antwerpen | Thursday 12 December 2019

08:30 - REGISTRATION - 09:00

Session I - Vulture Conservation

- 09:00 **Welcome and Introduction: Philippe Helsen**
- 09:30 **Alessandro Di Marzio** - Patagonian scavenger birds used for ecotoxicological biomonitoring studies.
- 09:55 **Mary-Jo Willis** – Cinereous vulture conservation in Mongolia

10:20 - COFFEE BREAK - 11:00

Session II - Conservation Science

- 11:00 **Barbara Fruth** - LuiKotale Bonobo Project: Status quo and the value of long term data for conservation
- 11:30 **Melodie Kreyer** - First steps into uncovering wild bonobo health and self medication in the LuiKotale field site
- 11:45 **Jacob Willie** - Projet Grands Singes: Ecological and anthropogenic drivers of the distribution and abundance of two Afrotropical rain forest mammals.
- 12:00 **Sophie Evers** - Projet Grands Singes: Bioacoustic research within PGS-Cameroon: preliminary results

12:30 LUNCH 13:30

Session III - ZOO Science

- 13:30 **Zjef Pereboom** – What's up with ZOO Science?
- 13:45 **Noor Hertogh** – Effects of enrichment in reptiles in Zoo Antwerpen
- 14:00 **Marina Salas** - Visitor attitudes towards natural and unnatural looking environmental enrichment
- 14:15 **Francis Vercammen** – Renal disease in elephants

Short break

- 14:45 **Nicky Staes** - Our ape brain and the 2% difference
- 15:15 **Jonas Verspeek** - What drives cooperation in bonobos?
- 15:30 **Daan Laméris** - Comparative psychology of positive emotions in bonobos
- 15:45 **Agnes Meiling** - Population genetics in the bonobo captive population

16:00 - DRINKS - 17:00