

entre chiens & loups

International Symposium

february 24th | Lyon

Communauté Urbaine de Lyon

Salle du Conseil : 20, rue du Lac - 69003 Lyon

programme

8h30	<i>opening</i> of the Symposium	GÉRARD CLAISSE / DANIEL GOUFFÉ
8h45	Animal in the City, animal of the city	DOMINIQUE LESTEL
9h45	Human-dog interaction: have guide dogs learnt/understood that their owners can't see them?	FLORENCE GAUNET
10h45	Can dogs understand Portuguese? communication with Sofia	CÉSAR ADES
11h45	Interaction between dogs and robots: Ethological experiments and applicative perspectives	FRÉDÉRIC KAPLAN
12h45	<i>lunch</i>	
14h15	History of an urban cohabitation: Istanbul and its wandering dogs	CATHERINE PINGUET
15h15	The continuing evolution of dogs (from wolves?)	RAY COPPINGER
16h15	A career of Wolf Research	DAVID MECH
17h15	The wolf children: what we think we know about them	LUCIENNE STRIVAY
18h15	Perspectives	DOMINIQUE LESTEL / FLORENCE GAUNET
18h30	<i>closing</i>	GÉRARD CLAISSE / GENEVIÈVE BERNARDIN

Presenter: Jean-Luc Vuilleminot

Organizers: Dominique Lestel, Florence Gaunet, Geneviève Bernardin



the speakers

- **CÉSAR ADÈS** Professor Psychology Institute University Sao Paulo Brazil He is one of the greatest figures of Brazilian ethology, he was the head of the Institute of Psychology at the University of Sao Paulo, the greatest in South America. He will present his team's work on Sofia, a young dog's ability to understand Portuguese.
- **GENEVIÈVE BERNARDIN** Urban Community urban animality mission Lyon France
- **GÉRARD CLAISSE** Urban Community Vice President Lyon France
- **RAY COPPINGER** Professor Hampshire College MA-USA He is one of the best international specialists on wild dogs.
- **FLORENCE GAUNET** CNRS researcher- Eco-Anthropology and Ethnobiology Laboratory Paris France She studies the interspecific social cognition human and dog and especially their shared space of communication.
- **DANIEL GOUFFÉ** President of MERIAL SAS
- **FRÉDÉRIC KAPLAN** Researcher SONY CSL Laboratory Paris France He is an ingeneer with Sony CSL. He has largely and still contributes to the development of Aibo the artificial dog.
- **DOMINIQUE LESTEL** ENS associate professor & MNHN Eco-Anthropology and Ethnobiology Laboratory, philosopher, ethologist and researcher Paris France He is a specialist of urban animality and of communications between humans and animals, he is the head of the citizen laboratories.
- **DAVID MECH** Professor University of Minnesota, Northern Prairie Wildlife Research Center, MIN-USA He is undoubtedly one of the best current specialists on wild wolf. He has been studying wild wolves of large American National parks for many years.
- **CATHERINE PINGUET** A writer and researcher Paris France She used to teach at the university in Istanbul in Turkey for several years and has just finished a very complete book on the wondering dogs of Istanbul.
- **LUCIENNE STRIVAY** Professor Liege University-Anthropology of symbolic systems, cultural anthropology Belgium She is an anthropologist who is soon going to publish a reference book on the history of wolf children whom she remarkably studied in depth.
- **JEAN-LUC VUILLEMENOT** AFIRAC Secretary General Fance French Association of Information and research on the pet.

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The reappearance of the wolf in France in the 1990's has given rise to an emotion which is still very vivid in regions such as the Mercantour in the Maritime Alps. It is true that the animal is far from being trivial. It is a fierce predator. Moreover it has the reputation of attacking man which might be exaggerated but real. Popular tales and nursery rhymes remind us that the wolf used to threaten our countryside not so long. Beyond the bloodthirsty mythical beast, werewolf or not, ethologists who have been studying it for many years describe it completely differently. They evoke an extremely intelligent animal, with an intense and complex social life and of a very captivating nature after all, far from the most widespread cultural stereotypes. The symposium called "In between dogs and wolves" is meant to think about this work and about the one concerning the more complex relations which have been linking wolves to men for ages as well as the latter to dogs which are rightly or wrongly supposed to be their domesticated descendants.

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