

IFAH* appoints new Executive Director

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Brussels 8 July 2008 - The International Federation for Animal Health (IFAH) announced today the appointment of Barbara Freischem to the post of Executive Director. George Gunn, President of IFAH said “Barbara Freischem is an excellent candidate for the post and we are delighted that she has accepted”.

Barbara Freischem, a veterinary surgeon, has spent much of her career in various animal health appointments in the regulatory arena in Europe and in industry both in Europe and in North America. Most recently she was Head of Global Pharmacovigilance at Novartis Animal Health in the USA before which she served at the European Medicines Evaluation Agency (EMA) in London. She will join IFAH in September.

Dr Peter Jones the past executive director at IFAH Brussels said “Barbara’s breadth of experience in animal health affairs working both with regulatory authorities and as an industry executive on both sides of the Atlantic will make a substantial contribution to the work of IFAH”.

Barbara Freischem stated “I am looking forward to the challenges and excitement of the IFAH post, working within the animal health industry which plays such an important role in ensuring animal and human health and welfare worldwide, and to building on the constructive dialogue established with all stakeholders in the animal health field”.

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Note to Editors:

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Its goal is to promote a harmonised, science-based regulatory and trade framework, and marketplace environment that supports an animal health industry which is economically viable and innovation driven, contributing to a healthy and safe food supply as well as a high level of animal health and welfare.

For further information on IFAH, please visit <http://www.ifahsec.org>.

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