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Jochen Wieda elected IFAH-Europe Chairman

Brussels, 8 December 2008: The IFAH-Europe Council members elected Jochen Wieda (Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health) as their new Chairman at their meeting in Brussels on 3 December 2008; he will lead the Federation until scheduled elections in June 2009. The Council also elected Jean-Louis Crosia (Merial) as Vice-Chair, a position that Jochen Wieda held previously, and welcomed Wolfgang Trebels (Bayer HealthCare) as a new member.

Dr. Wieda succeeds Brian Clark (Virbac), who stepped down as IFAH-Europe Chairman in October 2008. He is responsible for Regulatory Affairs Pharmaceuticals with Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health, based in Boxmeer (The Netherlands). Jochen Wieda joined the industry in 1985 and has held various executive positions in the fields of regulatory affairs and R&D since. He qualified in veterinary medicine at the Free University of Berlin and has been an active member of IFAH-Europe and IFAH for the last 20 years.

“I feel honored to have been elected and look forward to contributing to the success of IFAH-Europe in this important role”, he commented. “I would like to thank my predecessor, Brian Clark, for his role in increasing recognition of the animal health industry’s value and contribution to the health and welfare of animals as well as to public health. I am firmly committed to work along these lines and invite all members and stakeholders to build on these achievements to increase the availability of animal health products.”, he concluded.

Dr. Jean-Louis Crosia is President of Merial SAS and Head of Business Operations EMEA (Europe, Middle East, Africa and Indian Sub-continent). Having worked as a veterinary practitioner for 16 years, he joined the industry in 1990 where he led activities in the fields of technical affairs, marketing and sales as well as various business operations. He was awarded a doctorate in veterinary sciences from the University of Toulouse in 1973.

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IFAH-Europe Managing Director Declan O'Brien said "I am delighted that Jochen has become our new Chairman as he has been deeply involved in the work of the Federation for many years. Jean-Louis brings a wealth of experience to the position of Vice-Chairman and Wolfgang likewise brings tremendous experience to the work of the Council".

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Notes to Editors:

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