



41st International Sea Turtle Symposium

Workshop Proposal for ISTS41

Title of Proposed Workshop:

medicine and Rehabilitation Sea Turtle Workshop

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Suggested Duration of Workshop: Half Day (4 hours)

Description and Justification of the Workshop:

The proposal of this workshop emerges from the evidence of the numerous sea turtle rescue centres developed in the last decade, sometimes facing emergencies with no available support of expertise. The lack of information may cause waste of energy and economical resources, uncertain results, and more important: pain for animals.

This workshop is addressed to people directly involved in sea turtle rehabilitation and care, offering the opportunity to share rehab and medical skills, knowledge, experiences and standard operating procedures. We propose to compare expertise on diagnostics, husbandry, critical care, lesions, anaesthesia and surgery, with the aim to develop an open discussion among participants.

We hope to better update the role of sea turtle rescue centres in the conservation efforts, a functional network among them and their future perspectives. We hope the realization of a common agreement that may support the standardization of common protocols and medical administration, with a particular attention to high quality procedures for the care and convalescence of sea turtles.

Everyone is invited to be an integral part of the debate.

Expected Outcomes of the Workshop:

Standardization of common medical procedures, development of a focused network, realization of a common standardized agreement on basic procedures of high quality