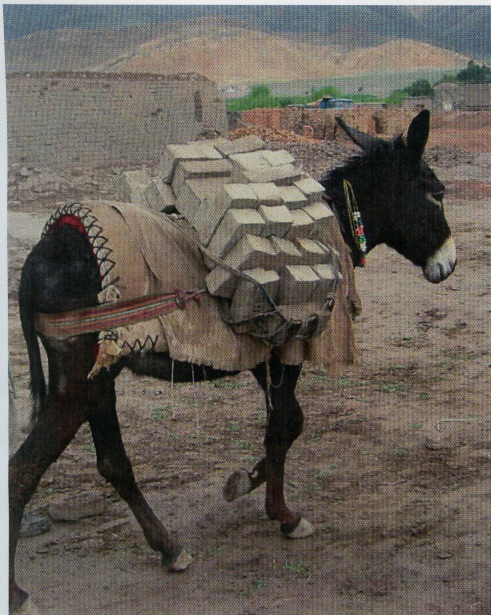
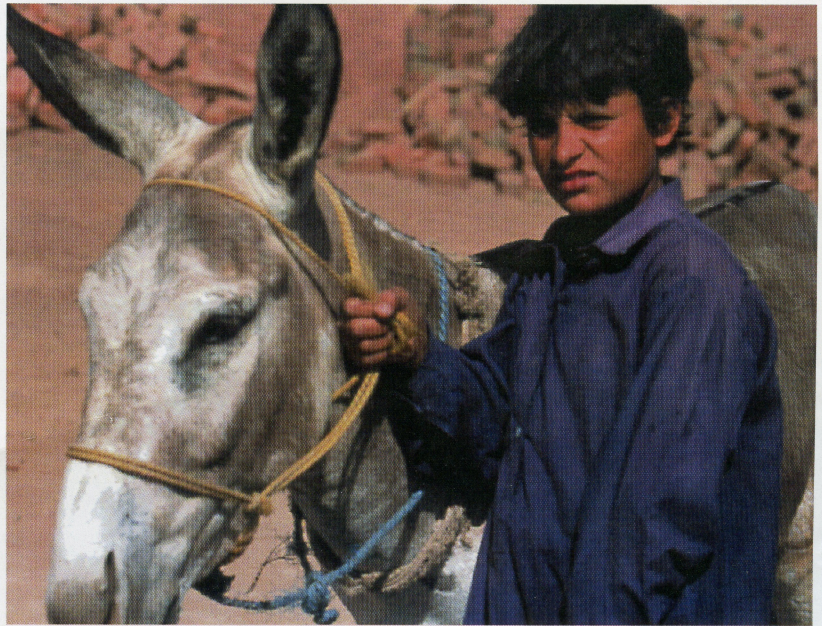


Protect Human Livelihood Through Animal Welfare

Thursday,
September 7, 2006
1:15-2:45 PM
Conference Room D
United Nations HQ,
New York



Join a panel of world experts from NGOs,
the United Nations and governments

- Over 650 million of the world's most impoverished people depend on animals for food and an income
- Refugees depend on animals to preserve their culture and their ability to earn a living
- In disasters, people place themselves at risk rather than lose their animals

Learn how protecting animals reduces poverty,
saves human lives and ends hunger.

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Join this renowned panel of experts

Larry Roeder, MS., WSPA United Nations Affairs Director and former Policy Adviser on Disaster Management at the US Department of State will moderate.

Leah Garces, MS, WSPA Director of Campaigns, will address the Universal Declaration on Animal Welfare, which aims to achieve global recognition of animals as sentient beings and animal welfare as an issue of importance as part of social development worldwide.

Dr. Badaoui Rouhban, Director of Risk Reduction at UNESCO will discuss the International Working Group on Animal in Disasters, which includes experts from UN agencies, the Red Cross and the US government.

Vivienne Rutgers is a teacher with 31 years of experience. She will discuss a five-year pilot project on the impact of humane education in co-operation with the South African Department of Education, the University of the Western Cape and the University of Cape Town.



Dr. Nalinika Obeyesekere is a Trustee with the Blue Paw Trust, a WSPA member society. He will discuss stray dog control, a critical disaster issue. Dr. Obeyesekere is a veterinary surgeon based in Sri Lanka, where the Blue Paw Trust runs two post-tsunami mobile clinics.

Dr. Sebastian E. Heath MB, PhD is Senior Staff Veterinarian for the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Homeland Security Office and will talk about livestock in disasters.

To learn more about protecting humans through animal welfare, visit www.wspa-international.org, email undirector@wspausa.org or call WSPA UN Affairs Office: 703-327-0057.

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