

## Animal Health and Welfare: Breeding for extremes in dogs and cats



# EU DOG & CAT ALLIANCE®

**The EU Dog and Cat Alliance, Federation of Veterinarians of Europe (FVE) and Federation of European Companion Animal Veterinary Associations (FECAVA)** will be holding a parliamentary lunch discussion focusing on enhancing awareness of the animal health and welfare aspects involved with **breeding for extremes of conformation in dogs and cats**, to highlight the need for change in EU and national legislation on this issue, and to raise consumer awareness and promote responsible ownership.

The event is organised by the Parliament Magazine and kindly hosted by **Petras Auštrevičius MEP** and **Marlene Mizzi MEP**.

The EU Dog & Cat Alliance, FVE and FECAVA believe that urgent collaborative action is needed to stop the suffering of dogs and cats that develop serious health issues as a result of extreme breeding to exaggerate features such as flat faces, narrowed nostrils, skin folds and protruding eyes. Certain breeds of dogs and cats are bred this way to make them more appealing to buyers but the reality is that these exaggerated features can lead to breathing difficulties, recurring skin infections, eye diseases and spinal or neurological problems.

The event will include presentations by experts from across the EU followed by a debate between stakeholders.

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## Dates

Tuesday, 26 June, 2018 - 12:00 to 14:30

## Location

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Belgium

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