

6th Veterinary Data Stakeholder Forum

10 November 2026
EMA, Amsterdam

The annual edition of the Veterinary Big Data Stakeholder Forum is scheduled for 10 November 2026, as part of the implementation of the EU veterinary big data strategy.

Data and innovative technologies, including artificial intelligence (AI), offer new opportunities to support regulatory decision-making, animal health and public health. Building on previous years, this event takes a veterinary lens to look at real-world challenges and applications in the use of data and AI.

Participants will gain insights into:

- practical applications of data and AI;
- experiences and case studies from regulators, industry and academia;
- opportunities and challenges related to the use of veterinary data;
- future developments under the Veterinary Data Strategy.

This year's forum will also mark the launch of the public consultation on the next phase of the Veterinary Data Strategy, building on the European Veterinary Big Data Strategy 2022-2027.

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12:45 **Joining and technical checks**

13:00 **Welcome remarks**

Presentation **10'**
Franck Fourès (EMA)

13:10 **Session 1: The regulatory perspective**

Chair: TBC

Year in review and launch of the Veterinary Data Strategy consultation **15'**
Paul Damien Lynn (European Medicines Agency)

AI at EMA **20'**
Luis Pinheiro (European Medicines Agency)

Data simplification: from governing data to making data usable **20'**
Athanasios Demiris (European Environment Agency)

Q&A session **15'**

14:20 **Networking coffee break**

14:40 **Session 2: The industry perspective**

Chair: Paul Damien Lynn, EMA

From data inventory to AI-ready knowledge architecture **25'**
Ruth Gross (Phibro Animal Health)

Building AI literacy across the veterinary medicines ecosystem **25'**
Cat Stirling (Elanco)

Presentation **25'**
Speaker TBC

Q&A session **15'**

16:10 **Networking coffee break**

16:30 **Keynote speech**

Presentation

30'

Heather Grieve (University College Dublin)

17:00 **Closing remarks**

Wrap up

10'

Franck Fourès (European Medicines Agency)