

ADVANCING ZOO ANIMAL TRAINING THROUGH THE CONSTRUCTIONAL APPROACH: Emerging Science, Welfare and Practice

Course Schedule:

Time	Tuesday, May 19
10:00 - 13:00 Plus 20 minute break (11:15 - 11:35)	Welcome ~ 15 min.
	Topic: <i>Introduction to the Constructional Approach</i>
	Introduction to the Constructional Approach ~ 30 min.
	The 5 Elements of the Constructional Approach ~ 30 min.
	Topic: <i>Nonlinear Contingency Analysis</i>
	Beyond ABC: Improving Interventions and Animal Welfare with Nonlinear Contingency ~ 40 min.
	Understanding The Impact of Superimposition in Behavior Interventions to Improve Animal Welfare ~ 40 min.
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch
	Topic: <i>Functional Reinforcers</i>
14:00 - 16:00	Workshop - Please Go Away! The Power of Using Distance as a Reinforcer ~ 90 min.
16:00 - 16:20	Break
16:20 - 18:00	Q&A. Panel Discussion. Roundtables

Time	Wednesday, May 20
9:30 - 13:00 Plus 20 minute break (11:15 - 11:35)	Topic: <i>Genuine Choice and Assent</i>
	Welcome / Housekeeping ~ 15 min.
	Improving Welfare by Providing Genuine Choice ~ 30 min.
	New Insights into the LRS ~ 40 min.
	Workshop - Beyond Compliance: Assessing Assent in Animal Training ~ 90 min.
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 15:30 Minute break (15:30 - 16:00)	Topic: <i>Emotions</i>
	Animal Training that Transforms and Measures Emotional Welfare ~ 30 min.
	Transforming Tiger Behavior Using a Negative Reinforcement Procedure ~ 30 / 40 min.
	Topic: <i>Compassion</i>
	The Constructional Approach to Compassionate Animal Training ~ 30 min.
16:00 - 17:30	Q&A. Panel Discussion. Closing Remarks