



Dr. Barbara Padalino

Dr. Barbara Padalino graduated in Veterinary Medicine at the University of Bari (Italy) in 2002 and in 2017 completed her PhD entitled “Transportation of horses and the implications for health and welfare” at the University of Sydney, Australia. Horses have characterised all her life; she has been a rider, a driver, a Standardbred horse breeder, an equine veterinarian and an equine scientist! Since 2004 she has worked at the Department of Veterinary Medicine, University of Bari (Italy), and she has carried out a number of research projects on the effects of transport on animal health and welfare. However, her research interests span a number of topics from animal behaviour and welfare to internal and sports medicine. She has written more than 100 publications in peer reviewed international journals and conference proceedings on topics related with animal health and welfare. She is an active member of the Animal Transport Association (ATA) and the International Society of Equitation Science (ISES). She is currently leading a project on the effects of air transportation on horse health and welfare and she is very excited to talk about the preliminary findings of this project at the ATA Conference in Budapest!