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La Fondation Droit Animal, éthique et sciences (LFDA) is a state-approved French organization which brings together legal experts, philosophers, sociologists, medical doctors, veterinarians, zoologists, neurobiologists and ethologists to develop, realize and promote studies and research, teaching and pluridisciplinary trainings, all geared towards alleviating the pressure of humans on animals. The organization works to publicize, enforce, improve and expand national and international legislations and regulations aimed at assuring the well-being of animals living under the control of man and preserving free animal species, on the basis of a rigorous scientific and ethical argumentation. To learn more, please visit: <http://www.fondation-droit-animal.org> and http://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/La_fondation_droit_animal,_ethique_et_sciences.

The International Research Group in Animal Law (GRIDA)'s goal is to define a modern, legal approach to issues of animal security and welfare that combines its purpose and the appropriate juridical instruments. To that end, it is crucial to begin by emphasizing how important it is for human beings to cultivate their moral imagination in order to consider animal species with goodwill and equity. In our society, where animals are primarily deemed objects of consumption, the development of a policy for their protection, as well as its integration into the collective social perspective, has become a necessity. For more information, please visit: <http://www.grida.uqam.ca/>.