



**INTERNATIONAL SHEEP VETERINARY CONFERENCE 2009
STAVANGER, NORWAY
12TH – 16TH OF JUNE 2009**

**PRECONFERENCE TOUR
SHORT
7TH – 11TH JUNE 2009**

Sunday 07.06.2009	Bergen	Arrive in Bergen throughout the day. Dinner at the hotel in the evening.
Monday 08.06.2009	Bergen	Depart from Bergen after breakfast and travel towards Voss and Myrkdalen which is said to be the cradle of one of the commonest sheep breeds in Norway, the Dala breed. There will be plenty of opportunities to see these sheep live. Lunch will be served.
	Voss	Arrive at Fleischer's Hotel, a fantastic hotel since 1864. Here both short and long preconference tours join up. There will be dinner at the hotel in the evening.
Tuesday 09.06.09	Voss	Departure from hotel after breakfast. There will be train ride and boat trip in an area called Norway in a nutshell. The trip will go through beautiful fjord scenery, Nærøyfjord , the breathtaking Flåm Railway and the steep bends of Stalheimskleiva.
	Voss	Return to the hotel before we go to Smalahovetunet for dinner. This is a unique place where old traditional local food is prepared in the old fashion way. It is a family enterprise that specializes in preparing sheep's heads with all the trimmings.
	Voss	Return to Fleischer's Hotel
Wednesday 10.10.2009	Voss	Depart Fleischer's Hotel.
	Reisæter	On the way south, there will be a stop at a village with several sheep farmers, these sheep graze at the edge of a glacier. There will be opportunities to see these sheep and hear the myth about the glacier.
	Haugesund	Arrive at Rica Maritim Hotel in Haugesund . This will be the first

		big town since Oslo. Dinner will be served at the hotel.
Thursday 11.06.2009	Haugesund	Depart from the hotel after breakfast. This last leg of the trip will go south towards Stavanger.
	Rennesøy	A visit to the only monastery from the middle ages in Norway, Utstein Kloster . It was a monastery until the reformation in 1537, after that it became owned by the King of Denmark and managed by his nobleman. At around 1750, it finally was back in Norwegian hands, and the same family lived there until 1930s. This same family still own and run the farm next door. This farm is one of the biggest sheep farms in Norway with around 650 sheep. There will be a visit to the farm.
	Åmøy	Åmøy is one of many islands near Stavanger, it is well known for it's collection of rock carvings. Seafood will be served close to these rock carvings with a beautiful view of the fjord and Stavanger city.
	Stavanger	Arrive at the hotels in the evening.