



# CryoStore training school

## 4-10 July 2026

Centre for Genetic Resources,  
Wageningen University & Research

Training school for PhD students on conservation, management and cryobanking of livestock and wildlife animal genetic resources

### Preliminary programme

Saturday 4 July, day 1		
9.00 h	Welcome and introduction	Dr. Annemieke Rattink (WUR)
9.30 h	Lectures CGN - WUR	CGN - WUR
12.00 h	Lunch	
13.00 h	Social activity - workshop cheese making	
17.00 h	End of day 1	

Sunday 5 July, day 2		
8.30 h	No programme for PhD students, annual meeting for PI's	
13.30 h	Practical - integration in situ and ex situ conservation in Dutch Rare Breeds, Arnhem	Mira Schoon and Nonja Remijn
17.00 h	End of day 2	

### Monday 6 July, day 3

8.30 h	Lectures CGN - WUR	CGN - WUR
12.00 h	Lunch at Topigs Norsvin	
13.30 h	Tour of facilities and presentations related to pig reproduction	Dr. Louisa Zak
17.00 h	End of day 3	

### Tuesday 7 July, day 4

8.30 h	Transferable skills training - part 1	Ard Innovation
12.00 h	Lunch	
13.30 h	Transferable skills training - part 2	Ard Innovation
17.00 h	End of day 4	

### Wednesday 8 July, day 5

8.30 h	Departure to Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Utrecht University	
9.30 h	Welcome and introduction of the programme	Dr. Marta de Ruijter - Villani
9.45 h	Lectures at Utrecht University	UU
12.30 h	Lunch	
13.30 h	Practical at Utrecht University	UU
17.00 h	End of day 5	

## Thursday July 9, day 6

8.30 h	Hands-on training at the CGN animal gene bank at WUR	CGN
12.30 h	Lunch	
13.30 h	Workshop - Career perspectives after your PhD	Jessica Tummers - Meijer & Meijaard
16.00 h	Optional social activity	

## Friday 10 July, 2026

8.30 h	Departure to Ouwehand Zoo, Rhenen	
9.00 h	Lectures on wildlife conservation	Dr. Pierre Commizzoli (SCBI)
12.30 h	Lunch	
13.30 h	Lectures on conservation genomics	Dr. Mirte Bosse and Jeroen Kappelhof (PhD student)
17.00 h	Recap and closure training school	
17.30 h	Dinner	



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