The Animal Voice: Securing Interests Through Law

Animal law is gaining momentum worldwide as consideration is given to the important relationship between ethics and law and whether a legal voice for animals can make a difference.

The 2013 Voiceless Animal Law Lecture Series presents nine leading legal minds across the country discussing constitutions and treaties that provide protection for animals, regulatory issues, standing, property status and ethics.

Leading the exploration for the Lecture Series is Voiceless’s international keynote speaker, Antoine F. Goetschel.

Antoine is a Swiss lawyer based in Zurich with a career focus on animal law. He fought successfully to have the “dignity of living beings” protected by the Swiss Constitution and for animals to be recognised as non-objects in legislation. Antoine was previously the animal welfare lawyer for the Canton of Zurich, the first position of its kind worldwide.

As one of the world’s leading animal lawyers and pioneers in this field, Antoine F. Goetschel will deliver an inspiring and insightful presentation on the potential future of animal law.

Date: Monday 29 April 2013
Time: 5.45pm – 7.15pm (doors open at 5.30pm)
Venue: University of Tasmania
Faculty of Law
Lecture Theatre 2
Corner of Grosvenor & Alexander Streets
Sandy Bay, TAS

Register now:
www.voiceless.org.au/lecture

This lecture will be chaired by Voiceless Legal Counsel, Ruth Hatten. A local perspective on how different the Australian animal law landscape would look if it had a bill of animal rights will be given by Meg Good, a PhD Candidate at the University of Tasmania Faculty of Law and the Tasmanian Coordinator for Barristers Animal Welfare Panel (BAWP).

Continuing Professional Development
This lecture has been accredited 1.5 CPD points by the Tasmanian Law Society in the substantive law category.