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**Proposal for improvement of goat TSE discriminative diagnosis
and susceptibility based assessment
of BSE infectivity in goat milk and meat.**

**Deliverable 5.3^b
Website to provide basic information for the general public.**

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Dissemination Level		
PU	Public	X
PP	Restricted to other programme participants (including the Commission Services)	
RE	Restricted to a group specified by the consortium (including the Commission Services)	
CO	Confidential, only for members of the consortium (including the Commission Services)	

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Website to provide basic information for the general public

To make information that is obtained within this project available to the general public an open project website is being constructed. The web address www.goatBSE.eu has been claimed. The site aims at different types of visitors/stakeholders and will be simple of set-up (which can always be extended at a later time):

- The general public; to get general information on the project, the progress, and the plans.
- The scientific community will find more in-depth information and links to scientific publications which are either results of the project or give essential background information
- Members of the consortium will get access to a closed part of the site to share information on running experiments, availability of animals or reagents and protocols. It has been decided that for this purpose the established web-portal is sufficient and a link to this portal is provided on the public website (the portal makes this shielded part of the site redundant).

The public website has been chosen to be the primary means of dissemination of general scientific or end-user information.

The website was launched September 2007 only showing the basic information about the project, its WPs, its partners and more general goals. It also provided possibilities for interested people to drop an email for additional information.

There have been some serious issues with the hosting of the website but these have finally been settled at a different hosting provider but delaying the developments. **The website is now up-to-date** and freely accessible since October 2008. Some usage statistics and some highlights of the website will be shown below. The site now primarily targets scientific users worldwide but is now also moving towards communication to other stake holders not directly in the scientific field. For relevant papers and more popular texts there will also be a local translation available but that will be started as soon as relevant texts appear as well as when the state-of-the-art review on TSEs in goats will have appeared. The lay summary will be made as well as several translations.

The website will be kept up to date by providing basic information like the annual progress summaries and public output of the project (papers, brochure texts) as links or actual documents online. General documents will be provided in several different languages (English, French, Dutch, German, Greek, Italian, and Spanish).

The public website: www.goatBSE.eu



Figure: A clustered map of website visitors hits from all over the world. Smallest clusters are 10 hits and clusters are made of geographical location within a particular radius.



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the 'EU goatBSE :: TSE goat' website. The page features a dark blue header with the title 'TSEs in goats' and the URL 'www.goatBSE.eu'. A search bar is located in the top right corner. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Project Menu:** Includes links for Home, Context / welcome, Objectives, Structure, and Partners.
- Information:** Includes links for Publications, Events, Project Meetings, Contact, Terms of use, and Privacy statement.
- Resources:** Includes links for Consortium Portal and Submit news.
- Login:** A form with fields for Username and Password, a Remember Me checkbox, and a Login button. Links for 'Forgot your password?' and 'Forgot your username?' are also present.
- News Articles:**
 - Welcome to the public TSEs in goats website:** A welcome message from the project, dated Tuesday, 06 October 2009 10:29.
 - Summary: Goat TSEs in Europe:** A summary of the state-of-the-art review of goat TSE in the European Union, dated Tuesday, 06 October 2009 10:29.
 - State-of-the-art review goat TSEs:** A review of the state-of-the-art on goat TSE in the European Union, dated Friday, 10 July 2009 08:49.
 - Workshop : New developments in TSEs of domestic and wild animals:** A workshop announcement, dated Sunday, 19 April 2009 12:19.
 - FSFA Scientific Opinion Genetic TSE resistance in goats:** A scientific opinion announcement, dated Tuesday, 24 March 2009 14:28.
- More Articles...:** A list of links to other articles, including 'UK farmed vs feral goats', 'Two scientific papers (Acutis et al)', 'New scientific paper from the project (Banilet et al)', and 'Executive summary annual report period 1'.

On the right side of the page, there is a vertical list of partner logos, including the Sixth Framework Programme, OVI (Lelystad Wageningen UR), INRA, IZOSLIN, INIA, Facultad de Veterinaria, FLI, Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale, Istituto Superiore di Sanità, and CERTH. At the bottom right, there is a 'WhosOnline' section indicating 'We have 1 guest online'.

The footer contains the following information:

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Figure: A recent screen dump of the public website in action.