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“Oog in oog” (Eye to Eye) – an educational package on the subject of animal welfare

The lessons package entitled “Oog in oog” (Eye in Eye) creates awareness amongst **children and young people of the importance of animal welfare** and the **responsibility** they themselves can take in their dealings with animals. The package itself was developed on behalf of Animal Welfare Flanders.

The Flemish Animal Welfare Council has taken note of this educational package and wants to bring it to the attention of and recommend it to all early years, primary and secondary schools.

The teaching materials are available to teachers in **early years, primary and secondary education** and provide **ready-to-use lessons** on five sub-topics (animal welfare in general, pets, farm animals, exotic animals and laboratory animals).

‘Eye to Eye’ provides teachers with tools, which on the one hand will enable them to provide **objective information** to pupils, and on the other hand to develop an **open-minded and critical viewpoint**. That way, pupils can build up their knowledge and can also learn how to form their own opinions and give reasons for them. They will acquire that knowledge and those skills while studying the topic of animals and their welfare.

The project was developed in collaboration with experts and stakeholders, and is therefore **didactically strong**.

The packages are **available free of charge** at www.dierenwelzijnindeklas.be.

Footnote: Andibel, Boerenbond and Algemeen Boerensyndicaat abstain.