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WVA President's message



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Happy New Year to all WVA Members!

This is the first 2015 issue of the WVA INFONEWS. The WVA INFONEWS aims in giving an update on WVA activities and regional news that will be issued every two weeks for Members and even potential new members of the WVA. After the recent first ever electronic elections in September 2014, and the installation of several new members of the WVA Council in November, we are excited to get started with our three-year term of WVA's new leadership team. We listened to you, your WVA Delegates, at the WVA General Assembly in Singapore. We know you want more frequent and concise communication from WVA on activities that benefit you, our Members in various regions of the world. At our first Council meeting (December 9 by teleconference) we:

- approved clear Rules of Order for our Council meetings and General Assembly meetings;
- clearly defined our fiduciary duties as your Councillors;
- identified the Chairs for the Finance and Policy Committees; and
- approved the formation of a Communications Working Group to be composed of members from each region.

WVA Committees and Working Groups



Your WVA Finance Committee (chaired by Dr. John Drake of Canada) and your WVA Policy Committee (chaired by Dr. Zoran Katrinka from Serbia) will meet January 21st and January 29th respectively. Our next Council meeting is January 29th with a full agenda. A physical meeting of the WVA Council will take place in Brussels on 11-13th March 2015.

World Veterinary Association Education Portal



I have heard only good things, so far, about the WVA Educational Portal. This education tool will assist those seeking educational resources, and can even act as a revenue stream for those providing some of the education materials to the Portal. For more information, click [HERE](#).

WVA/WMA Global Conference on One Health



The Global Conference on One Health is in its final stages of organization with great interest around the world. It will be held in Madrid, Spain on 21-22 May 2015, and is sponsored by the WVA and WMA, along with the Spanish VA and MA. This will be a great meeting so I encourage your attendance. If you know of additional individuals with expertise as speakers in One Health from Africa, North Africa and the Middle East, Asia, and Latin America, please encourage them to contact the WVA Secretariat. For more details click [HERE](#).



This e-newsletter will be sent to the WVA members every two weeks. Please forward items of interest from your regions to the WVA Secretariat to be shared as you wish. We are working every day to be the respected and trusted global voice of veterinary medicine. Thank you for your membership and participation!

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