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Message from the WVA President

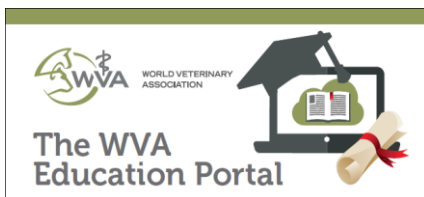


Dear WVA members,

This is the Year of Veterinary Continuing Education for the World Veterinary Association. The WVA will focus its efforts on Continuing Education initiatives on various platforms and events in different regions of the world. On the same time, WVA continues its activities related to the four strategic priorities of Zoonosis (with a new threat of Zika virus to humans from infected mosquitoes, primarily in the Americas), Animal Welfare (with focus on education, slaughter and transport), and Pharmaceutical Stewardship (with continued emphasis on the worldwide threat from antimicrobial resistance). WVA is dedicated to

continuing education for veterinarians around the world. Thank you for your continued membership in the WVA. It will be an important year for global veterinary medicine!

WVA Online Education Portal



The [WVA Education Portal](#) has now more than 850 educational content programs and is ready for worldwide use for continuing education. If you have education material that you would like to upload and share, please click [HERE](#). **The larger the Portal, the more effective it will be.**

Study on the WVA Education portal

If you have not already accessed the Portal, click [HERE](#) to create your free account. Where Continuing Education is required and legislated, the countries/states/provinces will have different regulations on what education will comply for the required continuing education for professionals. These requirements vary from who the education is accredited by to the requirement for exams or minimum duration of the course. The system automatically categorizes the education for each professional into the courses that they can study for complying CE and those that will only apply for general education purposes.

Distributing Continuing Education through veterinary associations

Veterinary associations are offered **free Education Systems**. The Education Portal can be automatically populated within the WVA network with educational content or it can be administered by the association, specifically selecting the educational content it chooses. A second option is for the association to take a full Learning and Content Management System through which it is possible to create and upload its own education programs. When an association creates its own content it has the option to restrict the education for its members only or the education can be placed into the general network to be accessed by other associations

around the world. By now, 40 veterinary associations have taken Education Portals.

Contribute to the WVA Platform

With the WVA Education Portal, continuing education can be accessed for free by veterinarians around the world. Those providers who choose to charge a fee for their content have the opportunity for revenue. For more information, contact secretariat@worldvet.org.

VVA Year of Continuing Education



World Veterinary Day will be celebrated this year on Saturday, 30 April 2016. The theme is “Continuing Education with a One Health Focus”.

For the first time this year, the WVA and OIE will also consider activities related to the theme that took place in the past, still ongoing, or are planned to take place in the future. Please click hereafter for the WVD

2016 Award announcement and application form in [English](#), [French](#) and [Spanish](#).

In addition, the WVA has partnered with Henry Schein Animal Health to promote World Veterinary Day through their worldwide networks and the value of veterinarians to society for animal and public health. Henry Schein Animal Health has long been committed to the importance of education and is happy to support the work of veterinarians and community education for more awareness of One Health and the connection between animals and people.

End Rabies Now - Rabies Educator Certification program



The [End Rabies Now](#) campaign is now underway. WVA is a campaign partner to eliminate dog-mediated human rabies by 2030. The Global Alliance for Rabies Control (GARC) has released a **Rabies Educator Certification program** for community educators on rabies. The CER is a free online course accessible to all but aimed in particular at community health and veterinary workers. It has been developed to effectively disseminate accurate, life-saving information about rabies to at-risk communities throughout the world. There are over 600 graduates since its launch in February

2015. The Rabies Educator Certification program is available online in [English](#), [French](#) and [Spanish](#)

Take your free course now and help us to End Rabies

HealthforAnimals final report on Innovation in animal health



WVA contributed to this effort with distribution of the survey for veterinary input to the report, and through a roundtable discussion in preparation for the report. The report discusses the future of the animal health industry and addresses common, global barriers to modern vaccine use including the regulatory process and market competition as well as existing scientific knowledge. Other areas addressed in the report include, pet health, food safety and sustainability, and zoonotic diseases.

Click [here](#) for the report. You will find it well done and very interesting.

Thank you for your membership. We need your expertise and participation for the world to hear our message about our role as veterinarians for the global public good. We need your input as Constituent Members or Observers for our discussions. Don't be left out of the process!

Please forward this info-news to your individual members

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