

WVA NEWSLETTER – OCTOBER 2021

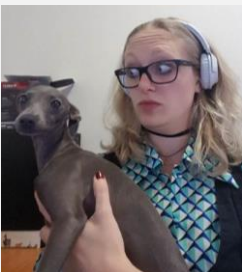
A MESSAGE FROM THE WVA PRESIDENT: DR. PATRICIA TURNER



Needed – Energetic and engaged veterinary leaders for WVA Council positions!

Dear Colleagues,

The deadline is fast approaching for member organizations to nominate candidates for the upcoming 2022 WVA elections. As a reminder, all Council member positions, as well as the President-Elect position, are open for nomination, and Council position terms are for 2 years, renewable once. Over the past decade, the WVA has taken on more projects and activities related to its strategic priorities of veterinary education, One Health, pharmaceutical stewardship, and animal welfare. It has been exciting to see the organization mature during this time and develop more active alliances with partners, sponsors, and member associations around the world. Much of the work of the WVA relies on the expertise and active commitment of Council members and associated veterinary experts, all of whom are volunteers who work together to address global issues of importance to the veterinary profession. The WVA needs engaged Council members who will work collaboratively to chair and/or participate in projects and strategic focus groups, comment on draft policies and position statements, and bring information from the WVA back to their regional or national veterinary associations, thereby ensuring robust communications. Please consider nominating a veterinary member from your association for this upcoming election. An information package can be obtained by contacting Dr Zeev Noga, Executive Secretary, WVA (secretariat@worldvet.org) and nominations are due by November 29, 2021.



This week we said goodbye to Ms Lisa Buren, a veterinary student at Utrecht University who has been doing an internship in the WVA office over the past several months. Lisa's energy, enthusiasm, and sense of humour have been greatly appreciated by all those working with her, and she helped the Pharmaceutical Stewardship Strategic Focus Group launch the Essential Medicines List project this fall. We wish Lisa all the best as she returns to her studies and completes her veterinary training!

The WVA welcomed Ms Emma van Rooijen to the Secretariat as the new WVA Policy Officer at the beginning of October. Emma joins the WVA with many years of experience managing and supporting veterinary professional associations. We look forward to Emma's input and ideas for ensuring that the WVA remains focused on serving the needs of the global veterinary profession and our veterinary

associations around the world. Please reach out to welcome Emma using the WVA's social media channels.

As always, we are keen to hear from our member associations. Please feel free to reach out if you are interested in more information about ongoing WVA activities or if you have other comments.

**Yours respectfully,
Dr Patricia Turner
World Veterinary Association, President**



The WVA needs your expertise and opinion in preparing a cohesive global message on our role as veterinarians for the global public good. As Constituent & Observer Members of the WVA, we welcome your input in our discussions! Don't be left out of the process!

PLEASE FORWARD THIS INFO-NEWS TO YOUR MEMBERS

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