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The WVA Celebrates World One Health Day 2021

PRESS RELEASE

November 3, 2021; Brussels, Belgium: Today is World One Health Day, an occasion to commemorate the importance of the integrative effort of multiple professionals to attain optimal health for people, animals, and the environment.

As the world continues to move forward with the Covid-19 pandemic, our leaders see that applying a coordinated, collaborative, multidisciplinary, and cross-sectoral approach is essential to develop effective interventions that fully address human, animal, public and environmental health concerns.

WVA President, Dr Patricia Turner said: *"One Health is one of the WVA's strategic priority areas and through a dedicated Strategic Focus Group (OH-SFG), the WVA continues to work and prepare position statements and strategies to tackle One Health concerns"*. In the past year, the WVA OH-SFG prepared position statements on [Global Climate Change Emergency](#), [Leishmaniosis](#), [Food Safety](#) and [Zoonoses Emergence](#) focusing on the [One Health concept and approach](#) to tackling these issues.

On this day, the WVA calls on relevant professionals around the world to join forces and work together towards a healthier and more sustainable future for people, animals and the environment.