



THE WVA CELEBRATES WORLD FOOD SAFETY DAY 2021

PRESS RELEASE

7th June 2021, Brussels, Belgium: Today, the World Veterinary Association celebrates World Food Safety Day to emphasise the veterinary profession's crucial role in controlling and upholding the safety and quality of food. This work occurs through a series of veterinary public-private partnerships along the food supply chain, from farm to fork, reducing the risk of contamination and foodborne diseases.

Veterinarians are trained in both animal health and food hygiene to ensure the safety of food of animal origin. These roles are reflected in the recently published <u>WVA Position on the Role of Veterinarians in Food Safety</u>.

On this day, WVA calls on governments and veterinarians around the world to unite in the celebration of World Food Safety Day and to participate and promote veterinary contributions to One Health collaborations, by ensuring good health of food animals, reducing the development of antimicrobial resistance, and assuring appropriate handling of products of animal origin to safeguard public health.

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