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World Veterinary Day

The World Veterinary Association (WVA) and HealthforAnimals are proud to announce the 2023 World Veterinary Day theme:

Promoting Diversity, Equity, and Inclusiveness in the Veterinary Profession

The 2023 World Veterinary Day will be held on 29th April 2023 and is an opportunity to celebrate the contributions of veterinarians to the health of animals, people and the environment.

The theme

Promoting Diversity, Equity, and Inclusiveness in the Veterinary Profession

Removing barriers and improving inclusiveness through diversity, equity, and inclusion policies and practices in a diverse world needs a special focus in all areas. The well-being of all veterinarians is enhanced when diversity, equity and inclusion is promoted and applied.

Embracing the differences means respecting and recognizing everyone, feeling safe, heard, and valued no matter the age, class, ethnicity, gender, health, physical and mental ability, race, sexual orientation, religion, physical size, education level, job level and function, personality traits, or other differences.



The 2023 World Veterinary Day will celebrate efforts from veterinarians, veterinary associations and others to advocate for fairness and equity.

The Award

Applications are now open for the *World Veterinary Day Award*, which honors one WVA Member's activities related to 2023's theme.

Applications are due by 30th May 2023.

The WVA Member Association that undertakes activities that best embody this theme will be recognized with the World Veterinary Day Award.

Provided by the World Veterinary Association and HealthforAnimals, the Award is open to all WVA Veterinary Associations who submit evidence of activities that demonstrate their support of the WVDA 2023 Theme. This can include local campaigns, educational seminars for the public, media campaigns, new research, and other efforts that promote the WVD Award 2023 theme.

The Award value of USD 5000 will be provided directly to the Association, which may use it for activities, reward hard-working staff, provide scholarships, support their community, etc. The World Veterinary Day Award is an opportunity!

Why apply

- Showcase your Association's diligent efforts to the global veterinary community.
- Receive a prize of USD 5000 to fund new activities, reward staff, provide scholarships, etc.
- Be honoured during a ceremony in your country/region/virtual or at the WVA Congress.

Improve the visibility and recognition of the veterinary profession in your country and worldwide.



Selection Process

Eligibility

The WVD Award is open to all WVA member associations. WVA associations are encouraged to celebrate the World Veterinary Day 2023's theme with collaboration with any other entity.

Nomination of candidates

All fields in the [application form](#) shall be properly filled out and emailed to wva_assistant@worldvet.org no later than **30th May 2023**.

Applications received after the deadline will not be reviewed.

Criteria

The WVD 2023 Award will be given to the veterinary member association that best promotes the theme of "***Promoting Diversity, Equity, and Inclusiveness in the Veterinary Profession***".

The organizers will consider activities that took place in the recent past, are still ongoing or are planned to take place in the future.

Main criteria for evaluation:

- Contribution and achievements on the WVD 2023 theme;
- Involvement of relevant stakeholders and the general public;
- Collaboration with the public health sector;
- Media coverage;
- Follow-up initiatives.

Examples of activities (non exhaustive list)

- **Identification and implementation of good practices, programs related to the WVD 2023 theme.**
- Seminars, webinars, and workshops for veterinarians/physicians/public health workers on the theme.
- Release of studies, statistical data, and surveys related to the WVD 2023 theme.
- Education sessions for the general public on WVD 2023 theme.
- Celebrate the works of a notable researcher or veterinarian on the WVD 2023 theme.
- Create an online source containing general information about the WVD 2023 theme.
- Concerts, public performances, fairs, virtual events etc. organised for the WVD 2023.
- Media involvement such as newspaper articles, radio and tv discussion on WVD theme, etc.
- Promote activities on WVD 2023 theme through social media.
- Distribution of promotional materials related to the WVD 2023 theme.
- **Any other initiative would be most welcome!!!**

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