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President foreword

Dr Rafael Laguens

WVA President 2022-2024

This activity report presents the World Veterinary Association’s achievements since the last GA, held on 26 April 2023 in Taipei, and tries to lay the groundwork for WVA to continue moving forward. As always, everything reached has only been possible thanks to the joint effort of the Council, the Committees and Working Groups, the Secretariat, and the WVA member organisations, without forgetting the invaluable collaboration of our stakeholders, as the World Medical Association, the World Small Animal Veterinary Association, or the International Veterinary Students Association, among many others.

Of these twelve months, I want to highlight the work carried out to maintain, strengthen, and make our organisation's relationships more effective with the vital international agencies: WHO, FAO, WOAH, and UNEP, the so-called quadripartite. The WOAH and WVA cooperation agreement signed on May 2023, the renewal of the Collaboration Plan between WHO and WVA for the period 2024-2026, the inclusion of WVA in the AMR Multi-Stakeholder Partnership Platform, Coordinated and hosted by FAO, and the WVA formal application to establish official relations with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), are just some examples of these actions, corroborated by the participation of all quadripartite organisations in the 10th WVA Global One Health Summit to be held in Cape Town on 17 April 2023.
Our Committees and Working Groups have done an excellent job bringing to light the different position statements and documents included in this report, the webinar on "Illicit Use of Veterinary Drugs: from Ketamine to Xylazine", and the Essential Veterinary Medicines List for food-producing animals (EVML), are the demonstration of that great work.

To carry out the WVA activities, it is essential to have an efficient and sustainable structure in which economic management must adjust to the demands and needs of both the WVA members and the WVA itself. The Finance Committee and the Secretariat have done a great job, and the external audit reports for 2022 and 2023 confirm that the WVA "financial statements give a true and fair view of the Association's equity and financial position and its financial performance".

However, despite our efforts, we still have two complex challenges: adjusting the WVA Constitution and Bylaws to Belgium's legal requirements and finding the best WVA fee structure. The closer we get to the WVA's core values, knowledge, transparency, community, respect, and agility, the more effective we will be in achieving a better future for the global veterinary community.

The active participation of the national member associations is essential for the WVA to meet its mission. They should not only pay their fees, vote when necessary, or propose good colleagues for the different working groups and positions; they should also openly share their ideas, concerns, and demands with the WVA Council and Secretariat.

Rafael Laguens
WVA President

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WVA Mission and Vision

Mission
To provide global leadership for the veterinary profession and promote animal health and welfare and public health, through advocacy, education, and partnership.

Vision
The World Veterinary Association is recognized and respected as the trusted and influential voice of global veterinary medicine.

WVA Strategy

WVA Strategic Plan 2020 – 2025
The WVA Council adopted the WVA Strategic Planning Working Group’s proposal for the 2020 – 2025 WVA Strategy. Taking into consideration the input received from Constituent Members, key partners, and the WVA Council in the pre-meeting surveys, the WVA elected to focus on 4 main objectives: Animal Welfare, Pharmaceutical Stewardship, Veterinary Education, One Health
Each Objective is developed by a dedicated Working Group, chaired by a Council member.

Next WVA Strategic Plan
The WVA Council has started to prepare the development of the next WVA Strategy. A first brainstorm session was held at the in-person meeting of September of 2023 and Membership and Partnership surveys have been developed by the Ad Hoc Communications Committee. Once the new Council takes position an Ad Hoc Committee to develop the next Strategy will be formed for a specific period and with clear Terms of Reference for its development.
WVA team and work

WVA Council
The Council comprises the President, President Elect, Immediate Past President, and 14 elected representatives from the different world regions International Organisations and Discipline Societies.

WVA Executive Committee
The ExCom is a permanent committee of the WVA structure consisting of the elected Officers, the Chairs of the Finance and Policy Committees, and the Executive Secretary. They discuss and prepare proposals for Council decisions on operational issues and monitor the fulfilment of Strategic Goals.

WVA Committees and Working Groups
The WVA Committees and Working Groups comprise the Council members and Ad hoc members that were nominated by the WVA member associations to support and to strengthen the work and expertise of these specific groups.

Voluntary work
Councillors as well the members of the Working Groups fulfil numerous voluntary hours of work. Collectively, they’ve attended over 80 hours of meetings during 2023 aside from preparation time, meetings with the Secretariat, documentation revision and concrete contribution to the multiple outputs of the WVA.

WVA Secretariat
The WVA secretariat is responsible for the daily management of the Association, communication, maintenance and development of Membership. Currently composed of two full time roles, Executive Manager and Policy Officer.

Executive Manager
Magda Lourenço

Policy Officer
Yvonne Niño
WVA Council 2022-2024

President Elect
Dr John de Jong

President
Dr Rafael Laguens

Past-President
Dr Pat Turner

Africa
Dr Charlotte Nkuna
Dr James Ouma

Asia and Oceania
Dr Chou Chin-Cheng
Dr Ganokon Urkasemsin

Europe
Dr Heidi Kellokoski-Kiiskinen
Dr Slaven Grbic

Latin America
Dr Arturo Mejorada
Dr Helio Blume

North Africa & M. East
Dr Roula Shaaban
Dr Salah Al-Shami

North America
Dr Enid Stiles
Dr Shannon Mesenhowski

Discipline Organisations
Dr William Pang

Regional Organisations
Dr Olatunji NASIR
WVA Council

The WVA Council meet twice in person (in Taiwan during WVAC2023 and in Lisbon, Portugal in September) and 4 times online to discuss and approve key issues of the Association. In person meetings are especially to brainstorm and consider new strategies.

The Council is responsible for sustaining WVA’s Mission, finances, members, projects and to support the work of the Working Groups. Among many responsibilities, the Council approves WVA’s Position Statement and Factsheets following the proposals from the Policy Committee, decides on membership applications, on financial decisions (such as the annual budget and sponsorship matters), and on the establishment of new partnerships.

In 2023 the Council evaluated the WVA Membership categories and fees system and is proposing a few structure system to its members.

It addressed the establishment of new partnerships such as with the Quadripartite AMR Multi-Stakeholder Partnership Platform and the UN Environment Programme.

On the Governance side, Councillors approved a previously started revision of the Manual of Procedures and are overseeing the registration update of the WVA.

The Council has also reviewed the new Terms of Reference to host the World Veterinary Association Congress of 2026 and the calls for bids, and will be making the decision of where to hold it.

Many decisions were taken regarding projects, of particular importance the evolution of WVA Awards from the WVA Welfare Awards to the WVA Global Veterinary Awards with categories that match the Association Working Groups and priorities.

Steps to plan the next WVA Strategic Plan have been started and will be followed by the incoming Council which is starting its mandate.

Outgoing Councillors

We wish to expresses a heartfelt thank you to the 7 Councillors who are ending their terms for their outstanding contribution to the WVA:

**Dr Rafael Laguens** (President), **Dr Pat Turner** (Immediate Past President), **Dr Charlotte Nkuna** (Chair of the Policy Committee and Councillor for Africa), **Dr Ganokon Urkasemsin** (Councillor for Asia and Oceania), **Dr Heidi Kellokoski-Kiiskinen** (Chair of the Finance Committee and Councillor for Europe), **Dr Roula Shaaban** (Councillor for North Africa and Middle East) and **Dr William Pang** (Councillor International Organisations).
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President, Dr Rafael Laguens
"For WVA, the active participation of its national member associations, openly sharing their ideas, concerns, and demands with the Council and Secretariat, is essential."

President Elect, Dr John de Jong
“The WVA continues to grow as the most diverse global veterinary organization that collaborates and advocates for the entire veterinary profession to authorities and the public through our policies and position statements.”

Immediate Past President, Dr Patricia Turner

Policy Committee Chair, Dr Charlotte Nkuna
“The WVA provides a platform where all members have a voice and can raise issues that impact them to be addressed by the organisation, including getting support for effecting policy changes in their respective countries.”

Finance Committee Chair, Dr Heidi Kellokoski-Kiiskinen

Executive Manager, Magda Lourenço
Finance Committee

WVA Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met 7 times by videocall and had numerous electronic exchanges. The main issues discussed were the WVA's financial situation, regular and careful evaluation of the association revenues and expenditures, membership status and fee structure.

The FC also approved of budgets for WVA projects, prepared the 2025 budget, oversaw the audits of the early accounts, and more recently helped in revision of the WVA Membership fee structure.

The Committee carefully evaluated investment possibilities, banking solutions, and assessed the financial health and risks of the association.

The past year was concluded with a surplus and the audit of the 2023 accounts confirms our healthy financial status and accounting structure, now done by KPMG.

Additional funding sources are being explored to support the organisation's financial future.

Chair: Dr Heidi Kellokoski-Kiiskinen

Members

Dr Slaven Grbic
Dr Olatunji Nasir
The work done to by the Policy Committee (PC) assists in getting global alignment of key matters and to provide support for members wishing to elevate critical issues in the countries. The PC met four times by videocall in 2023 and had numerous electronic interactions as part of the revision process and of the approval process. The PC revised six Position Statements in 2023 following proposals from WVA’s Working Groups, before they were brought to Council. The PC has also created a Position Statement Review Guide for the WVA which improved the pace of approval for existing Position Statements and reviewed the operational side of approval.

Members

Dr Olatunji Nasir  
Dr Shannon Messenhowski  
Dr Kevin Doyle  
Dr Quaza Nizamuddin  
Dr Robert Johnson
Ad Hoc Communications Committee

The Ad Hoc Communications Committee met 3 times to discuss the key communications related issues of the WVA.

Branding of the congress and protective measures were address as well as the positioning of the association. Several WVA materials (factsheets, large formats, etc) have been developed making use of the WVA brand developed by the last Council and small adjustments were made to improve its applicability.

Stearing regarding World Veterinary Day materials and content for observation of several international days was also discussed and gathered by this committee.

The Committee also addressed better engage our members, including on social media.

Recently, and following a Council recommendation, a Membership and Partnership survey was developed which will help WVA be better prepared to develop its upcoming Strategic Plan. Early findings of this survey will be presented at the 2024 General Assembly.

Members

Dr Rafael Laguens
Dr Heidi Kellokoski-Kliskinen
Dr John de Jong

Chair: Dr Enid Stiles
WVAC Standing Committee

The WVAC SC met 5 times in 2023, under the Chairing of President Elect John de Jong, always electronically.

The Committee worked with the local organising committees (LOCs) of Taiwan for 2023, of South Africa for 2024. The SC noticed how well engaged the local committees and associations are and that they do all they can for the success of all WVAC editions. Colleagues around the world can expect great congresses with well-developed programmes and social activities.

The SC decided on matter related to travel and visas, sponsorships, accommodations, local governmental requirements, and more. It also recommended to the WVA FC and Council a large update to the Terms of Reference of WVAC2026, potentially providing both WVA and the host members with improved financial sustainability due to the congress organisation.

Overview

Theme: The art of Resilience in the face of adversity
Dates: 16-19 April 2023
Venue: Cape Town International Convention Centre

Members

Dr Johnson Chiang
Dr Jordi Franch
Dr Helio Blume
WVA Nominations Committee

The Nominations Committee is a standing committee composed by the Immediate Past President and two Councillors who aren’t standing for election. The Nominations Committee for the Elections of 2024 was Chair by the Immediate Past President Dr Patricia Turner and had as members Dr Roula Shaaban and Dr Johnson Chiang - as there wasn’t a sufficient number of Councillors not standing for election or available to take the commitment the Past President Dr Johnson Chiang was approached to become a member and kindly accepted. The Committee reviewed all documentation prepared for the call for elections, all the procedures, announcements and the technology used. They also reviewed all individual nominations for their eligibility.

Members

Dr Johnson Chiang
Dr Roula Shaaban
The Animal Welfare Working Group (AWWG) is dedicated to advancing Animal Welfare through impactful initiatives. Since April 2023, the AWWG met six times virtually, along with numerous subgroup meetings and email communications. Notable accomplishments include launching the new position statement Protection of Animals During Disasters and Armed Conflict and contributing to the Position on Use of Horses for Production of Biologics and Therapeutics from the FVE, AVMA, and CVMA. The AWWG reviewed past position statements on Control of Inappropriately Aggressive Dogs and updated factsheets on Working Equid Welfare, Donkey Skin Trade, and Donkey Welfare. Currently, the WG is revising position statements on the Role of Veterinarians in Aquatic Health and factsheet on Farmed Fish Production. Additionally, the WG is collaborating on a statement regarding the transportation of dogs and cats with WSAVA and developing a Position Statement for the Ground Transportation of livestock.

Working Groups

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Members

Dr Xavier Mantega
Dr Roula Shaaban
Dr Bonnie Beaver
Dr Vijay Pal Singh
Dr Patricia Turner
Dr Arturo C. Mejorada
Christiana Ololade
The One Health WG has recently published a much awaited updated on the WVA Position Statement on One Health. Out for comments from the WVA members is a new PS on Vaccination, to be published later in 2024. The WG has also reviewed and updated the WVA PS on Dog-Mediated Rabies and the FS on Owned and Unowned Free-roaming dogs. The WG is currently reviewing the WVA Policy on Responsible Use of Antimicrobials and the PS on Animal Vaccination for Advancing Animals and Human Health. Some of the OHWG members offer WVA representation in the Coalition for Animal Health, the Quadripartite AMR Multistakeholder Platform and the negotiations of the new WHO Pandemic Treaty.

Members

Dr Paul van der Merwe  Dr Christina Pettan-Brewer  Dr Deborah Thomson  Dr Shereen A. Al-Kazaz  Dr El-Deeb Wael  Dr Corrie Brown  Dr Noel Miranda  Dr Chou Chin-Cheng  Dr Sethi Ramsaran  Dr Arturo C. Mejorada  Dr Susanna Sternberg  Dr Salah Al-Shami  Marta Masserdotti
Working Groups

Pharmaceutical Stewardship

The WG have reviewed the Position Statement in Opposition to International Scheduling of Ketamine and are currently reviewing the Position Statements on Availability of Pharmaceuticals and Responsible Use of Antimicrobials jointly with the OHWG. Additionally, the WG is also developing a new Position Statement on Strengthening Veterinary Medical Product Regulation in Low and Middle-Income Countries.

The PSWG hosted a well attended webinar on Illicit Use of Veterinary Drugs: from Ketamine to Xylazine, in December of 2023. 340 participants came to watch speakers from both the human and the animal side of the issue as well as an AVMA expert on regulatory affairs.

The group has launched the Essential Veterinary Medicines List for food producing animals with The Brooke and started the phase 2 (out of 3) of the project. Further details on this project can be found under the 'Projects' section.

Members

Dr James Ouma
Dr Michael Costin
Dr William Pang
Dr Yashpal Malik
Dr Patrick Vudriko
Dr John Prescott
Dr Patricia Turner

Chair: Dr Olatunji Nasir
Veterinary Education

The group has completed the review of the WVA Position Statements on Identifying a veterinarian and on Day One Competencies. The PS on Implementing Veterinary Continuing Education and Professional Development is underway!

The VE-WG has been involved in the evaluation of the more than 600 applications received for the 2023 WVA-MSD Veterinary Students Scholarships to choose the final 80 recipients.

The WG has also overseen the WVA participation in the Sustainable Business in Animal Health Service Provision through training of VPPs Project with FAO and Health for Animals.

Additionally, the WG members are engaged in the Action Group on Veterinary Education within the Quadripartite AMR Multistakeholder Platform. This year, the WVA Seminar on Concrete Actions to Contain AMR in Veterinary Education will be held during the WVA Congress 2024.

Members

Dr Peggy Schmidt  Dr Charles Muleke  Dr Ganokon Mahidol  Dr Salah AL.Shami  Dr Helio Blume  Dr Roula Shaaban  Dr Susen Kumar Panda  Dr Asger Lundorff Jensen  Dr Olatunji Nasir  Dr Arturo C. Mejorada  Dr Chou Chin-Cheng
New members

WVA current has 98 members, between Constituent members and Observer members. During 2023, WVA welcomed several new members who are keen to contribute to the WVA Mission and to the global representation of the profession.

Our most recent Constituent members are:
- The Veterinary Chamber of Kazakhstan
- The Iranian Veterinary Association
- L’Espace Vétérinaire Algérien
- The Ukrainian «Society of Veterinary Business Owners»

WVA also welcome a new Observer member:
- Kenya Veterinary Paraprofessionals Association

Membership survey

WVA is keen to gain a deeper understanding of the met and unmet needs and expectations of WVA members and has developed a Membership Survey to access it. This survey will serve as one of several instruments to guide the development of WVA’s forthcoming Strategic Plan.
Key projects and Partnerships
WVA and Brooke have published the first ever Essential Veterinary Medicines List for food producing animals (EVML), which is now available for public consultation at https://worldvet.org/evml
This list follows the footprint of the WHO essential medicines list and adds on to existing species specific tools such as WSAVA’s essential medicines for cats and dogs.
It helps us go one step further in good pharmaceutical stewardship and makes One Health more attainable.
The EVML is the result of extensive work of assessment, compilation, revision not only from the WVA and Brooke but also from multiple contributors who voluntary to provide input and revision.
The online platform that harbours the list is now available for all veterinarians and Chief Veterinary Officers around the globe at worldvet.org/evml.
This list will have regular periods of revision with a global call for contributions.
WVA and Ceva Sante Animale (Ceva) made the very successful Animal Welfare Awards evolve into the **WVA Global Veterinary Awards**. The new WVA Global Veterinary Awards comprise 6 awards that will recognise veterinarians for their work in providing animal owners, governments, health authorities, farmers, other veterinarians, and the public with best practice across the four Strategic Objectives of the WVA: One Health, Medicines Stewardship, Animal Welfare, Veterinary Education, “Veterinary student of the year”; one overall winner will be chosen as “Veterinarian of the year”.

Over 40 nominations of very high profile candidates were submitted by WVA members, making it very difficult for the reviewers (sub-committees from the WVA Working Groups) to score the applications.

All Winners will gather at the first Awards Ceremony of the **WVA Global Veterinary Awards**, be held on 17th of April at WVAC2024, in Cape Town, South Africa.
Veterinary Student Scholarship Programme

The WVA launched, alongside MSD Animal Health, the Veterinary Student Scholarship Program for the 7th consecutive year. The 2023 edition of this programme received 616 applications from 43 countries from Latin America, Africa, North Africa/Middle East, and Asia/Oceania.

This year, an online platform was used to receive the raising of online applications and after a careful evaluation by the WVA Review Committee (composed of members of the WVA Veterinary Education Working Group) the final list of the 80 veterinary students from 47 different countries was identified. Each will be granted a scholarship of $2,500 USD in recognition of their academic achievements and to support their next academic steps.

WVA and MSD Animal Health are delighted to contribute to the advancement of the global veterinary community through the empowerment of veterinary students.

The 2024 Scholarship programme will be announced in the coming months, this time comprising 40 grants of $5,000 USD.
The collaboration between WVA, FAO, and HealthforAnimals has reached a milestone. In December 2023, the initial phase of the project "Sustainable Business in Animal Health Service Provision through training of Veterinary Paraprofessionals" was concluded and marked by the Multistakeholder Platform meeting held in South Africa. The next phase is now under preparation.

The project successfully finished all training modules in Uganda, Nigeria, and South Africa, resulting in all graduates being registered with their respective Veterinary Statutory Bodies (VSB); Dr. Raymond Briscoe continued to act as the daily coordinator.

Looking ahead, the World Veterinary Association (WVA) will play a crucial role in advancing the project’s goals. We plan to maintain a close partnership with veterinary and paraveterinary associations to promote a preventive approach to animal healthcare. At the World Veterinary Association Congress in April 2024, our accomplishments will be highlighted through specific presentations and an information booth. We eagerly anticipate the expansion of the project and its broader impact on the communities we serve.
Key projects

World Veterinary Day

The World Veterinary Day was created by the WVA and is celebrated annually on the last Saturday of April to recognise the work of veterinarians in improving animal health and welfare as well as public health. WVD 2023 was celebrated on 29th of April under the theme “Promoting Diversity, Equity, and Inclusiveness in the Veterinary Profession”.

The topic for 2024 is Veterinarians are essential health workers and is celebrated on 27th of April! WVA members are welcome to join by celebrating this dimension of the veterinarians’ work that often remains invisible to the society. They can submit their campaign as an application to the WVD Award, sponsored by Health4Animals.

WVA newsletter

Our Newsletter is issued monthly to our network of subscribers. It comprises an editorial by the President, WVA news and opinion pieces and also news from our members and worldwide veterinary issues.
WHO

The WVA has reinforced its dedication to public health and food safety by extending its enduring collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO). This partnership focuses on tackling Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) and advancing One Health initiatives, with the goal of enhancing the health of both humans and animals worldwide.

WOAH

WVA and the World Organisation for Animal Health renewed their long standing partnership with the signature of a new Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). The signature took place in Paris, France, during the WOAH Annual General Session. This new MoU will put WVA and WOAH working even closer together on many pressing topics such as one health, antimicrobial resistance, rabies, education for veterinarians and for veterinary para professionals.

UNEP

This year, the World Veterinary Association (WVA) has initiated contacts with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and has formally applied for accreditation to establish official relations as a Civil Society entity with UNEP.

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FAO

The partnership between the WVA and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) remains strong, with active collaboration on sustainable agriculture, food security, and animal welfare. Their ongoing discussions and partnerships showcase the commitment to addressing shared concerns, emphasizing the importance of working together for global public health and food safety.
Quadripartite AMR Multi-Stakeholder Partnership Platform

Since October 2023, the WVA joined a platform established by the Quadripartite (FAO, UNEP, WHO, and WOAH). This platform includes government, private sector, and civil society representation, with the goal of creating and executing a unified global vision, narrative, and objectives. This initiative aims to spark a worldwide movement against AMR. The platform is an inclusive international effort that unites stakeholders from human, animal, plant, and environmental sectors under a One Health approach to safeguard antimicrobials as crucial medicines. It fosters consensus-building and action to implement the Global Action Plan on AMR (GAP). Through collaboration with Dr Susanna Sternberg, Dr Quaza Nizamuddin Bin Hassan Nizam, and the OHWG, the WVA is actively participating in the action groups focused on the UNGA meeting and on Veterinary Education.
Intergovernmental Negotiation Body

Recognising the need for global collaboration in pandemic preparedness in the form of a treaty, WHO’s Member States established the INB in December 2021. Its mission is to draft an international pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response instrument. WVA has made several statements at INB meetings advocating for the integration of human, animal, and environmental health perspectives, emphasizing the interconnectedness of these domains. Furthermore, WVA emphasizes that embracing One Health strategies for prevention proves to be cost-effective and encourages resource-sharing.

Action for Animal Health Coalition

Since its inception in 2020, WVA has played a crucial role as a core member of the Action for Animal Health. A4AH’s objective is to urge governments, donors, and international agencies to invest in animal health systems, thereby advancing the One Health approach and facilitating the achievement of the SDGs. Currently, the coalition is dedicated to advocating for the recognition of animal health systems strengthening within the World Bank pandemic fund and international policy frameworks, including a new pandemic instrument. WVA’s One Health Engagement Subgroup, comprising Dr Shannon Mesenhowski, Dr Paul van der Merwe, and Dr Susanna Sternberg, actively collaborates with the Coalition and participates in meetings of the UN Intergovernmental Negotiating Body (INB).
Looking ahead
WVA recognises the achievements and the resilient responses of the veterinarians and of the other team members of the veterinary workforce. Our organisation wishes to further support the breadth and depth of the profession by improving its representation and continued education, while also addressing emerging and ongoing issues of global impact. Our work and contributions translates to governments, legislation, regulatory bodies, and, most importantly, to the public at large.

Why contribute to the WVA Mission
- Profile your company/organisation as a key corporate player fostering the advancement of the veterinary profession
- Have a direct impact on global issues such as the One Health approach, veterinary medicines accessibility, education standards and animal welfare and wellbeing
- Reach key opinion leaders, CVOs and animal health workforce

Reach out to us!
WVA is available for further discussions!
Drop a line to our Executive Manager Magda Lourenço: magda@worldvet.org