

The CSC Report Regarding Recommendations on the Bid for WSAVA World Congress 2023

Assembly Meeting – WSAVA World Congress 2019 – July 15th, 2019

The CSC wishes to sincerely thank all the associations that submitted bids.
A record nine bids were received to host WSAVA 2023!

Bid submission requires great commitment, effort and hard work.
Whilst it is exhilarating to win, it is disappointing to be informed that your bid was unsuccessful.

The CSC kindly request that you interpret our comments in a positive light.
It is never an easy task and the decisions are not taken lightly.
Three years comes around quickly and there will be another chance to bid soon.

Bids were received from:

	Hellenic Companion Animal Veterinary Society (HCAVS)/ Hellenic Veterinary Medical Society (HVMS)	Greece
	VeterinaryIreland Companion Animal Society (VICAS)	Ireland
	St. Petersburg Veterinary Society (SPVS)	Russia
	Russian Small Animal Veterinary Association (RSAVA)	Russia
	Turkish Small Animal Veterinary Association (TSAVA)	Turkey
	British Small Animal Veterinary Association (BSAVA) <i>(withdrawn)</i>	United Kingdom
	Small Animal Veterinary Association of Belgium – Flanders (SAVAB-Flanders)	Belgium
	Associacao Potuguesa de Medicos Veterinarios Especialists em Animais de Companhia (APMVEAC)	Portugal

BSAVA withdrew their bid prior to CSC and PCO assessment.

Before receiving the Kenes suitability report; the committee independently scored the bids as per our objective scoring system.

These scores were returned directly to me and later collated into a collective document. This was to ensure unbiased and independent evaluations.

The Kenes suitability scores were then included into the score sheets.

The independent scores were tallied with the following results:

APMVEAC	Lisbon, Portugal	scored 77.8 %	with a total of 129 points
VICAS	Dublin, Ireland	scored 71.9 %	with a total of 117 points
SPVS	St. Petersburg, Russia	scored 68.2 %	with a total of 107 points
SAVAB-Flanders	Brussels, Belgium	scored 62.3 %	with a total of 110 points
HCAVS / HVMS	Athens, Greece	scored 57.5 %	with a total of 105 points
TSAVA	Istanbul, Turkey	scored 56 %	with a total of 97 points
RSAVA	St. Petersburg, Russia	scored 51 %	with a total of 98 points

KI scored the destination analysis as follows:

Lisbon, Portugal	4.33
Brussels, Belgium	3.91
Istanbul, Turkey	3.68
Athens, Greece	3.47 and 2.97
St. Petersburg, Russia	3.27
Dublin, Ireland	3.11



APMVEAC presented an excellent bid clearly emphasizing the impact of WSAVA in the region. They outlined their intention to network with AVEPA and FIAVAC. The CE streams were relevant and added value to the regional veterinary community. The CSC were concerned about the SEVC in Spain and advised that the dates should be chosen carefully so as not to clash with this conference. Kenes scored the destination and conference facility the highest. Kenes have convened previous conferences at the Lisbon Conference Centre and are familiar with the venue. Affordability of the venue and destination, including nearby accommodation was also a strong point. Lisbon is easily accessible and is one of the most popular tourist destinations in Iberia.



VICAS also submitted an excellent bid clearly showing the relevance of convening a world conference in the region. They outlined an outreach plan to incorporate university students to encourage them to attend WSAVA. The two CE streams were very pertinent to the region and would have added value to the local veterinary community. The major drawback was that the conference venue lacked the required exhibition space for the trade. Venue rental and running costs were too high.



SAVAB-Flanders was scored high by Kenes. The venue is good and affordable. Brussels is a central destination and easily accessible. Unfortunately, the bid lacked important information and did not show relevance to the region and was not scored high by the CSC.



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HCAVS and HVMS are to be commended on the networking between associations, in order to strengthen and consolidate the bid from Greece. It was agreed that HCAVS would bid to host WSAVA. The bid document from Greece lacked important information and did not have the required impact to illustrate the relevance to the region.

Two venues were assessed by Kenes, but neither were ideal. Metropolitan is an open hall which requires great cost to build up break out rooms. The Megaron is too small to accommodate WSAVA as there is insufficient exhibition space.



Two Russian associations submitted separate bids and were unable to come to an agreement to co-host WSAVA 2023.

SPVS submitted a good bid and described plans for two very relevant CE streams.

RSAVA submitted a bid which lacked important information.

St. Petersburg is a wonderful tourist destination, but the CSC were concerned about possible challenges with obtaining visas for certain delegates. The venue is far from the city centre with little nearby accommodation. The conference site is split into separate pavilions. Venue rental is affordable but overall input costs are expensive.



The bid from TSAVA lacked important information.

There was insufficient detail to assess impact to the region and the relevance of the scientific streams.

Whilst the venue is very modern it is divided over several floors.

The trade exhibition would have to be in the basement floor five floors below ground level.

The CSC expressed some concerns regarding security and visa requirements for certain delegates.

The CSC made a unanimous decision to recommend that **Associacao Portuguesa de Medicos Veterinarios Especialists em Animais de Companhia (APMVEAC)**

be awarded the bid to host WSAVA 2023 in Lisbon, Portugal.

The bid scored the highest by a notable, clear margin.

Kenes scored Lisbon the highest in terms of destination analysis.

The venue scored the highest in terms of affordability and was one of the highest in terms of quality of the venue

The CSCS encourages APMVEAC to consider convening a joint congress with FECAVA in 2023.

The EB has endorsed the CSC decision which will be taken to the Assembly meeting in Toronto for ratification.

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