Annual Report for the WSAVA Congress Steering Committee

Name of the Committee
Name of the Committee (Co-)Chair(s)
Name of the Committee Members

Congress Steering Committee
Kevin Stevens
Jim Berry, Jerzy Gawor, Adrianna Lopez, Umesh Karkare and Eleanor Ho

Mission/Tagline of the Committee
The Congress Steering Committee (CSC) was formed with a specific brief to guide and strategically develop the annual World Congress.
To ensure that it meets WSAVA aspirations in terms of thought leadership, scientific content, organization and branding.
To ensure that our annual World Congress is the flagship of our organization and meets a consistently excellent standard.

Committee Activities of 2018
The CSC members attending WSAVA engaged in face to face discussions during this conference which proved very productive.

The bidding guidelines and local host committee guidelines were updated, simplified and revised. The new guidelines were finalized prior to the call for bids for WSAVA 2022.

Bids for WSAVA 2022 were received from:

ANCLIVEPA, BRAZIL
AVEACA, ARGENTINA
AVMA, USA
AMVEPPA, PERU
MEVEPES, COSTA RICA

The consensus of the committee was to recommend to the Assembly that AMVEPPA, Peru be awarded the bid to host WSAVA 2022 in Lima, Peru with the following provisos:

- the WSAVA PCO needs to submit a letter of intent to the Ministry in Peru with contractual guarantees securing commitments for 2022.
- A joint congress protocol needs to be signed with AMVEPPA and WSAVA
- AMVEPPA should endeavour to host a joint congress with WSAVA should any national veterinary congress be planned to be hosted in Latin America in 2022.

This decision was ratified by the Assembly and Peru was congratulated on their successful bid to host WSAVA 2022.

In Singapore, face to face meetings occurred within the CSC, with EB, LHC and Kenes.

There were positive outcomes from these meetings.

Minutes were circulated to the attendees and EB outlining our deliberations and recommendations.
In terms of the succession plan, Kevin Stevens will exit as Chairman at WSAVA 2019; Jim Berry will then take over the Chair.

The bidding document has been refined to allow an on-line document submission.

The terms of reference of the CSC were revised and updated and circulated to EB and LNC.

### Priorities for 2019

- PCO assessment
- Brainstorm new conference ideas
- Bid consideration for WSAVA 2023