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WSAVA in 2020 – by Dr. Shane Ryan (WSAVA President)

Two years ago, at the World Congress in Singapore, I was privileged to accept the role of president of WSAVA. That time seems long distant and we now move in a very different world. After the record-breaking Singapore event and the successful 2019 Toronto Congress, 2020 has been, for all of us no matter where we live, defined and impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. To quote Dickens – ‘it was the best of times, it was the worst of times’ – certainly my presidency is a tale of two very different years.

However, through these times of adversity, the global veterinary profession has shown its resilience and strength. And I believe our WSAVA community has been exemplary in its leadership and its support for animal health and welfare and for the societies we serve. I am honoured to have had the opportunity to work with all of you through these difficult times.

2019 –2020 Key achievements

‘Shaping the Future’ at WSAVA#2019
The annual gathering of our global community at World Congress, in Toronto in July, saw the first of our ‘Shaping the Future’ lectures - global discussions on key issues affecting our members. The lecture and expert panel were led by Dr Nienke Endenburg, Chair of our Professional Wellness Group, who discussed the findings of our research into global veterinary wellbeing, to which many members kindly contributed. The results were greeted with great interest and reported widely in veterinary media around the world. They are currently being prepared for scientific publication. We thank our colleagues at CVMA for helping us to run another stimulating and successful World Congress.

Launching the world’s first One Health Certificate
Towards the end of the 2019, our One Health Committee launched the first Certificate Program to focus on the importance of companion animals in the One Health paradigm. Even within the veterinary profession, One Health has generally been considered in context of production animals, wildlife, the environment and human health. The growing significance of companion animals in society and the importance of the human-animal bond is not yet fully appreciated. This online program, aimed at veterinarians and human physicians, will help to bridge this knowledge gap and its first ‘graduates’ are expected in September 2020. We thank One Health Committee Chair, Dr Michael Lappin, for overseeing the development of the program and to all those who have contributed to it.

New resources to support our members
2019 saw the creation of new tools and resources by our Clinical Committees; the further development of our existing Global Guidelines, new educational partnerships to support our members and the signing of memoranda of understanding with not-for-profit associations with whom we can work to accelerate progress in tackling global issues, such as rabies control and animal welfare.

Extending our global veterinary community
At the Toronto meeting, we were delighted to welcome six new associations into the WSAVA community, taking our total membership to 113 global associations, representing more than 200,000 companion animal veterinarians.
2020 – Our work goes on despite the pandemic

Nothing about 2020 has been normal but our work continues unabated. We have adopted new ways of engaging with and supporting our members and ensuring that we show global leadership on issues relating to the care of companion animals.

Responding to COVID-19
To address concerns regarding the zoonotic potential of SARS-CoV-2 and companion animals, our Scientific and One Health Committees have prepared regular communications for our members, partners, and other stakeholders, setting out the latest scientific evidence in this rapidly-evolving situation. WSAVA content has also been issued to the media, contributing to a dramatic increase in our media profile globally. We hosted a webinar in April, with the kind support of Purina Institute and Zoetis, which has been viewed more than 20,000 times. Developing and ensuring the accuracy of this content has been demanding for the Committees and for our volunteer translators, and I thank them for providing this extremely valuable service to all those with an interest in the impact of COVID-19 on companion animals and their carers.

Working to secure equal access to veterinary medicines
Another key initiative has been the WSAVA List of Essential Medicines for Cats and Dogs. Developed and published by our Therapeutics Guidelines Group (TGG), it addresses the difficulties faced by our veterinary colleagues in some parts of the world in accessing the vital veterinary medicines required for minimum standards of clinical practice. We believe the List of Essential Medicines will enhance the standard of care that companion animal veterinarians worldwide can offer, and also facilitate regulatory oversight of veterinary pharmaceuticals. We thank the TGG for its invaluable contribution to the veterinary profession and look forward to discussing the issues raised during our second Shaping the Future session during #WSAVA2020 in Poland in March 2021.

Launching our new Vaccination Guidelines for Practitioners in Latin America
Earlier this year, we were delighted to launch a set of regional Vaccination Guidelines to support companion animal veterinarians in Latin American countries. The culmination of a four-year project by our Vaccination Guidelines Group (VGG), they offer evidence-based recommendations for the vaccination of cats and dogs against the most prevalent infectious diseases in the region. We offer our thanks to the VGG team which has worked so hard to produce these Guidelines, kindly supported by MSD Animal Health. They will be of great value to our members in the region.

Looking ahead at new ways to support our members
WSAVA has a unique resource – the knowledge, range of expertise and experience of our global experts. Over the next few months, we will harness this knowledge base and expertise to deliver broad-ranging, WSAVA educational content in an extended range of online formats to our members. While we will of course, continue to deliver vital continuing education, this new approach will go further, enabling us to offer, in addition, engaging state-of-the-art thinking and leadership of value to all of our members - and to the wider global companion animal veterinary community, media and stakeholders. Stay tuned for more information on this initiative!

Meanwhile, while we cannot, at present, carry out face-to-face CE or lecture at global congresses, in addition to the activities listed above, our Committees are constantly...
developing new resources, tools and other online content. If you have not visited our redesigned website recently, please find time to explore the variety of information offered, including lectures from previous World Congresses in the WSAVA Academy.

In this difficult year, we suffered a very personal loss in May when our Honorary Treasurer Emeritus Professor Michael Day died, following an illness bravely borne. The WSAVA One Health Committee was created at Michael’s instigation and, under his stewardship, the Vaccination Guidelines Group produced world-first guidelines for companion animal practitioners. Michael’s contribution to WSAVA cannot be overstated and his memory will live on, not least through the service of his wife, Professor Mary Marcondes, a member of both the VGG and the Scientific Committee.

Finally, I must say some important thank-you’s – to my colleagues on the Executive Board, to our Committee Chairs and Members who all give their time so generously to support the growth and development of WSAVA and its members.

I would also like to thank our Industry Partners - the Purina Institute and MSD Animal Health, our Diamond Partners; our Gold Partner, Hill’s Pet Nutrition; our Silver Partner, Royal Canin; and Zoetis, which has recently come on board as a Bronze Partner. Our work is helping to transform companion animal practice around the world, but we really could not do it without your generous support. Thank you.

It has been a privilege and an honour to serve as WSAVA President for the last two years. Despite the difficult times we are living through, our global community is pulling together for the sake of our members and the animals in a quite inspirational way.

Looking ahead, as the pandemic – we hope – subsides, we have much to look forward to, including #WSAVA2020, which will now take place in Warsaw next March; new faces joining our leadership team and committees; new Guidelines in development and our plans to extend our online activities.

I look forward to continuing to serve WSAVA and to support the new president through the challenging but exciting times ahead.

Dr Shane Ryan
WSAVA President

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Assembly 2020 - Agenda
September 22nd, 2020

1. Call to order
2. Welcome by the Chair
   2.1. Vote proxy assignments
   2.2. In Memoriam
3. Quorum, motions and voting introduction
4. Adoption of agenda
   4.1. Consent agenda
       - Committee reports
       - Congress reports
       - Honorary Secretary report
       - Member Association reports
5. Minutes of the Members’ Forum and Assembly Meeting 2019
   - Motion: to approve the Minutes of the Members’ Forum and Assembly Meeting 2019
6. WSAVA Finances & Treasury
   6.1. 2019 audited financials
       - Motion: to approve audited financials
   6.2. Honorary Treasurer’s Report
       - Motion: to approve Honorary Treasurer’s report
   6.3. FAC report
   6.4. Auditor Appointment – Baker Tilly for 2020
       - Motion: to approve Baker Tilly as WSAVA auditing firm for 2020
   6.5. Industry Canada
       - Motion: to hold the WSAVA Assembly meeting in conjunction with the 2021 WSAVA Congress
7. WSAVA Officer positions
   7.1. President
       Nominee: Siraya Chunekamrai
       - Motion: to elect Dr. Siraya Chunekamrai as President. The WSAVA Executive Board supports her for this position. No other nominations have been received.
   7.2. Vice President
       Nominee: Ellen van Nierop (AMVEPE)
       - Motion: to elect Dr. Ellen Van Nierop as Vice President. The WSAVA Executive Board supports her for this position. No other nominations have been received.
   7.3. Honorary Treasurer
       Nominees:
       Jerzy Gawor (PSAVA)
       John de Jong (AVMA) - The WSAVA Executive Board supports Dr de Jong for this position.

   The nominee receiving the most votes will be elected to the position of WSAVA.
Honorary Treasurer

7.4. **Executive Board Member**
Nominees: Claude Beata (AFVAC), Gopinathan Gangadharan (MSAVA) and Jim Berry (CVMA).
The nominee receiving the most votes will be elected to the position of WSAVA Executive Board Member.

8. **Matters pertaining to Congress**
8.1. **2024 CSC Congress bid recommendation**

   **Motion:** to approve the location of the Congress 2024 in **Shanghai, China**, as recommended by the CSC and endorsed by the WSAVA Executive Board.

9. **Membership**
9.1. **Loss/Withdrawal of membership**
9.2. **New members**

   - **Motion:** to approve the Burundi Companion Animal Veterinary Association (ABMVAC) for Associate Membership
   - **Motion:** to approve the Egyptian Small Animal Veterinary Association (ESAVA) for Associate Membership
   - **Motion:** to approve the Kosovo Small Animal Veterinary Association (KSAVA) for Associate Membership
   - **Motion:** to approve the (Madagascan) Private Veterinary Association in region Analomanga Antananarivo (FIVEMA) for Associate Membership

9.3. **Membership category changes**

   - **Motion:** to approve the Armenian Small Animal Veterinarian Association (ARMSAVA) for Full Membership

9.4. **By-Law exemption request**

   - **Motion:** to grant a By-Law exemption to the Botswana Veterinary Association (BVA) to retain Associate Member status for an additional 3 years
   - **Motion:** to grant a By-Law exemption to the Association Scientific Veterinary Council of Cuba (CCVC) to retain Associate Member status for an additional 3 years
   - **Motion:** to grant a By-Law exemption to the Zimbabwe Veterinary Association (ZVA) to retain Associate Member status for an additional 3 years

10. **Member recognition**

11. **Adoption of the Consent Agenda**

   - **Motion:** to approve consent agenda

12. **Next Assembly meeting – 21 November 2021**
13. **AOB**

**Relevant Documents**
You can find relevant documents on the page of each agenda point in this booklet or on the page the Assembly Meeting 2020 on the WSAVA website.
Consent Agenda

Committee Reports

The report for each committee can be found on the relevant committee’s page on the WSAVA website. Please see the relevant link for each committee below.

All reports are also combined in one document, which you can find here: All WSAVA Committee Reports combined (PDF)

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WSAVA World Congress 2019 & 2020

2019: WSAVA Congress: Toronto, Canada

Please find the Financial Report of the WSAVA Congress 2019 held in Toronto, Canada on the website.

2020: WSAVA Congress – Warsaw, Poland

Dear Colleagues,

A joint congress of the World Small Animal Veterinary Association (WSAVA) and the Federation of European Companion Animal Veterinary Associations (FECAVA), hosted by the Polish Small Animal Veterinary Association will take place in Warsaw. We are excited to be hosting the most important small animal medicine event in Central Europe.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and its global implications, we have come to the decision to postpone the WSAVA/FECAVA 2020 Congress as we are expecting thousands of delegates from around the world and the health and safety of participants is our main priority.


In the last 30 years, the veterinary profession has struggled with the challenges arising from a changing market. Our evolution into a modern, growing veterinary market, has been successful and is ongoing. We are extremely proud to share our local experiences that will be reflected in the congress program.

The preliminary program includes topics such as market transformation, standards in general practice, educational considerations such as current tendencies & needs, and proposals for specialization and CPD in the region, in small animal veterinary medicine.

When saying “Poland” imagine: generous hospitality, tasty cuisine, a country full of beautiful nature, music inspired by folklore and unique places for entertainment and sightseeing. This will all be reflected in our social program, with numerous events presenting the flavor of Poland and the Polish people.

On behalf of the Polish veterinary community, as well as FECAVA and WSAVA, I would like to invite you all to Warsaw in March 2021.

Save the date in your diary – you simply cannot miss this event!

Sincerely,

Jerzy Gawor, Chair of the Local Organizing Committee of WSAVA/FECAVA 2020

2021, 2022 and 2023: WSAVA Congress

Warsaw, Poland
March 21-24, 2021

Hyderabad, India
Nov 13-16, 2021

Lima, Peru
Oct 20-31, 2022

Lisbon, Portugal
2023

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Honorary Secretary Report - 2020

Dear friends,

This has been a very difficult year for all of us, for some worse than others. The world is not to return as it was any time soon, if ever. For us as a global organisation this has a huge impact and we will have to adapt and make changes that will keep the WSAVA relevant in the future to our members around the entire world. Now that is needed more than ever. We as a veterinary community but also as Executive Board lost our friend and Honorary Treasurer Michael Day who has been one of, if not the greatest, ambassador of the WSAVA and contributed in every possible way. We all miss him. I am grateful that John de Jong was willing to step in to replace him in an excellent way in such a short time. And to our regret the congress in Poland had to be postponed until next year.

In 2020, we cannot meet in person and look each other in the eye. So we need to communicate well, and it has to be online. We are fortunate that in the last few years we made such huge progress in building a professional secretariat that keeps the communication and organisation afloat. Today social media is more important than ever. This is one of our only ways of reaching our members, and we need the knowledge of the digital natives for this. We invested in digital/social media managers to strengthen our secretariat team. But we also need to involve young members to make the WSAVA relevant for everybody.

To make that work we need strategy and vision. Good communication between the members of the secretariat and the Executive Board is key in that process. Our members, not only professional, welfare is at stake, being confined in their homes and clinics under financial pressure and health concerns.

The WSAVA has always been very close to my heart. To be a part of this kind and friendly community of veterinarians making friends all over the globe has made a huge difference. It is because of all the effort we put into building this great organisation that I trust that we will continue to be there for all the veterinarians around the world.

The WSAVA has grown to be an open association with an enormous number of volunteers who have and will keep on contributing to let the WSAVA be the independent place to get the latest scientific information and guidelines.

I am extremely happy and proud that in the last two years the number of highly qualified people that nominated themselves for the various openings in committees as well as for the Executive Board has hugely increased.

The functioning of the Board was difficult, missing our face to face meetings to discuss strategy and to get to know one another better. For example, Felisbina Queiroga has joined the Executive Board in Toronto and afterwards there was no possibility to actually meet. Notwithstanding that she has been able to take up her work in an excellent way.

That is what I mean: we can and will adapt and adjust according to what is needed for our community, after all WE ARE VETS!

I want to thank all our members for the trust they bestowed upon me and the Executive Board for all the great and hard work they did and do, and we did together while having fun as well while building friendships around the world. I feel very privileged to have been given the opportunity to be a part of this great group of people. I learned so much and am extremely grateful for that. Now it is time for other people to get the chance to contribute and have the opportunity to enrich themselves.
Last but certainly not least the secretariat team. They have already been working from all angles of the world to build and help sustain the WSAVA. So, they already are used to that. Even being in lockdown and still doing your job is hard. You all did very well. My compliments and gratitude. The webinar on Covid was a huge success and shows what the WSAVA is capable of with the support of this great team. It was so good and promising for the future. I look forward to seeing more of these kinds of initiatives and digital creativity. These things need coordination and dedication. Which this team has.

The challenge is in the communication between all involved in the secretariat itself, the committees and the Executive Board. Everyone needs to know what they are capable of and not outsourcing while the capability and capacity is within the secretariat and wasting money unnecessary. They deserve our trust and respect and that has to be mutual.

I am very proud and grateful to have been given the trust to contribute to the WSAVA during 5 years as Assembly Member and 3 years as Executive board Member and 4 years as Honorary Secretary. Now we have a professional secretariat, so my position will cease to exist.

I wish you all the best of luck and success and good health and hope we will be able to meet in person soon. Let’s hope in Poland!

The secretariat consists of

- WSAVA Chief Executive Officer (CEO) – Arpita Bhose
- WSAVA Executive Assistant - Emma van Rooijen
- WSAVA Finance Officer – Joyce Dao
- PR Consultant – Rebecca George
- WSAVA Social Media and Marketing Coordinator – Amarni Wood
- Communications Consultant – Jacinta Johnson

Kind regards,

Dr. Renée Chalmers Hoynck van Papendrecht
WSAVA Honorary Secretary

Please find the “WSAVA Honorary Secretary Report” here on the website
## Member Association Reports

All member associations are required to submit an annual report of their activities, contact details and number of members at the end of every year. You can find the report at the bottom of each page.

Only Member Associations that have sent in a report for 2019 are displayed below.

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Assembly 2019 – Meeting Minutes

Call for errors and omissions

Please find the minutes of the “Members’ Forum” and the “Assembly Meeting” held during the WSAVA World Congress 2019 in Toronto, here on the WSAVA Website.

Make sure you read the minutes as there will be a motion to vote to approve the minutes and it will give you insight on previous WSAVA business.

**Motion: to approve the minutes of the Assembly Meeting 2019**
WSAVA Financial Report

Audited Financial Statements of 2019
By Bakery Tilly GLD

The firm “Bakery Tilly GLD” (previously called Collins Barrow) has audited the books of the
WSAVA for the year 2019. On the following two pages, you can find the introduction of the report.

The full final audit “Independent Auditors’ Report and Financial Statement 2019” can be found
on the website.
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS’ REPORT

To the members of
World Small Animal Veterinary Association

Qualified Opinion
We have audited the financial statements of World Small Animal Veterinary Association, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2019 and the statements of operations and changes in fund balances, cash flows and schedules of funds for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary or significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organization as at December 31, 2019, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Basis for Qualified Opinion
In common with many not-for-profit organizations, the Organization derives revenue from donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Organization. Therefore we were not able to determine whether at December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018 and for the year ended December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018, any adjustments might be necessary to donations revenues, excess of revenue over expenditures, cash flows and fund balances. Our audit opinion on the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2018 was modified accordingly because of the possible effects of this limitation in scope.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors’ Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Organization in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with those requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements
Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Organization’s ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Organization’s financial reporting process.
Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors’ report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management’s use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Organization to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Guelph, Ontario
April 29, 2020

Chartered Professional Accountants
Licensed Public Accountants

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Honorary Treasurer’s Report and Budget of 2020
By Dr John de Jong (WSAVA Honorary Treasurer)

Income 2019
- Sponsorships $400,430
- Membership Fees $89,660
- Other income $29,047
- WSAVA Congress $345,672

Expenses 2019
- Operating Expenses $194,428
- EB Expenses...
- Congress Expenses $29,853
- Other Expenses $7,762
- Fund Expenses $279,439
Please find the “Honorary Treasurer’s Report 2020” here on the WSAVA website.
Financial Advisory Committee (FAC) Report
Chair of the FAC: Laurel Kaddatz

Find the “Annual Report of the FAC” on the website

Motion: to approve the audited financials
Motion: to approve Honorary Treasurer’s Report
Motion: to hold the WSAVA Assembly Meeting 2021 in conjunction with the 2021 WSAVA congress

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WSAVA Executive Board

A ‘Call for Nominations’ for several positions of the WSAVA Executive Board was sent out to the members via all WSAVA’s communication platforms. The current openings on the EB are for a President, Vice President, Honorary Treasurer. The position holds a 2-year term of office, starting after the WSAVA Assembly 2020.

- Any nominee for a position on the EB, must be a member of one of the WSAVA’s full Member Associations (WSAVA By-Laws point 3.2. and 3.3. specify that Affiliate and Associate members cannot be represented on the EB)
- Any nominee must provide
  - short Curriculum Vitae
  - letter of intent
  - two supporting references, of which one must be from a WSAVA Member Association in their country
- Nominations should be sent to the WSAVA Secretariat [admin@wsava.org] by June 24th, 2020
- Nominations are reviewed by the Leadership and Nominations Committee (LNC), who make recommendations to the Assembly. The post is subject to election at the annual Assembly as per point 5.3 of the By-Laws of the Association.

We have created a separate election page for you to review all nominees. On this page you can find all the documents and photos of the nominees. Below we have also listed all nomination documents for each nominee for your convenience.

Visit the election page here.

President Nominee

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<td>Veterinary Practitioner Association of Thailand (VPAT)</td>
<td>Letter of Intent, Japanese, Spanish</td>
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* As an automatic nominee, Dr Siraya Chunekamrai is not required to provide nomination documents.

Vice President Nominee

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<td>Ellen van Nierop</td>
<td>Asociación de Médicos Veterinarios Especialistas en Pequeñas Especies (AMVEPE)</td>
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### Honorary Treasurer Nominees

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<td>Jerzy Gawor</td>
<td><em>Polish Small Animal Veterinary Association (PSAVA)</em></td>
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<td>John de Jong</td>
<td><em>American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA)</em></td>
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<td><em>Association Française des Vétérinaires pour Animaux de Compagnie (AFVAC)</em></td>
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<td>Gopinathan Gangadharan</td>
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Matters pertaining to Congress

Recommendation of the CSC for the WSAVA World Congress 2024

A ‘Call for Bids’ to host the WSAVA World Congress 2024 for the region Asia and Oceania has been sent out. Three bids were received and reviewed by the WSAVA Congress Steering Committee. The CSC has recommended one bid for the location, which has been endorsed by the EB and will now be voted on by the Assembly.

Please find the full “Recommendation of the CSC for the WSAVA World Congress 2024” here on the website.

Overview of the bids

- **Shanghai Small Animal Veterinary Association (SHSAVA)**  
  - China

- **Beijing Small Animal Veterinary Association (BJSAVA)**

- **Malaysian Small Animal Veterinary Association (MSAVA)**  
  - Malaysia

- **Society of Companion Animal Practitioners – Sri Lanka (SCAP)**  
  - Sri Lanka

**Motion:** to approve the location of the Congress 2024 in **Shanghai, China**, as recommended by the CSC and endorsed by the WSAVA Executive Board.

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Membership

The LNC is currently reviewing all application documents. The LNC feedback will be sent to all Member Representatives once the review has been completed.

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**Motion:** to approve the Burundi Companion Animal Veterinary Association (ABMVAC) for Associate Membership

**Motion:** to approve the Egyptian Small Animal Veterinary Association (ESAVA) for Associate Membership

**Motion:** to approve the Kosovo Small Animal Veterinary Association (KSAVA) for Associate Membership

**Motion:** to approve the (Madagascar) Private Veterinary Association in region Analamanga Antananarivo (FIVEMA) for Associate Membership

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**Motion:** to approve the Armenian Small Animal Veterinary Association (ARMSAVA) for Full Membership

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**Motion:** to grant a By-Law exemption to the Botswana Veterinary Association (BVA) to retain Associate Member status for an additional 3 years

**Motion:** to grant a By-Law exemption to the Association Scientific Veterinary Council of Cuba (CCVC) to retain Associate Member status for an additional 3 years

**Motion:** to grant a By-Law exemption to the Zimbabwe Veterinary Association (ZVA) to retain Associate Member status for an additional 3 years
Member Recognition

On behalf of all WSAVA members, we thank those Executive Board Members and Committee Chairs whose terms of office have come to an end this year. Their dedication and commitment have helped to drive our global community forward and we are truly grateful for their contribution.

Walt Ingwersen
Immediate Past President

Renee Chalmers Hoynck van Papendrecht
Honorary Secretary

Jerzy Gawor
Co-Chair of the GDC

Tess Kommedal
Co-Chair of the AWWC

Melinda Merck
Chair of the AWWC

We look forward to joining the Local Host Committee in Warsaw, 21-24 March 2021, for the WSAVA World Congress (postponed due to COVID-19)

Dr Jerzy Gawor – Chair of the LHC
Dr Jacek Szulc
Dr Andrzej Lisowski
Dr Zbigniew Blimke
Dr Roman Lechowski
Dr Tadeusz Frymus
Dr Wojciech Niżanski