

General Assembly 2024: Agenda

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Date	2 September 2024
Time	09:00 – 18:00
Location	Suzhou International Expo Centre (Suzhou Expo), China

Morning Agenda

The morning agenda will be discussion focused. The Executive Board has identified the following topics they wish to consult with the WSAVA membership on.

1	Welcome and President's Address
2	<p>a. Why WSAVA? As a federation of largely national veterinary associations from around the world, WSAVA provides benefits directly to associations and the global veterinary community at large. This discussion will focus on the benefit of being a WSAVA member association in 2024 and beyond, and what benefits are most impactful to member associations.</p> <p>Questions that members should consider in advance and be prepared to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Identify two benefits which you are currently receiving from WSAVA and that are of most value to you. II. Identify two benefits which WSAVA could provide that would further add value to your membership. <p>b. WSAVA Community Engagement: As we approach 2025, WSAVA will be investing more resources in enabling more frequent and purposeful engagement amongst WSAVA member associations. This discussion will focus on the topics of discussion most member associations wish to be consulted on, how, and when.</p> <p>Questions that members should consider in advance and be prepared to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Identify two areas of WSAVA's work which you believe member associations should be consulted on (be specific). II. How and where should consultation take place? III. How frequent should consultation take place?

	<p>c. WSAVA Regions: Following the Special General Assembly in May 2024, this discussion will focus on how WSAVA regions are defined and their purpose. The Executive Board believe there should be two categories of regions:</p> <p>(1) for representative on the Executive Board (2) for rotation of WSAVA Congress.</p> <p>Questions that members should consider in advance and be prepared to discuss:</p> <p>I. What are the issues which must be considered regarding the regions for representation on the Executive Board?</p> <p>II. The WSAVA Congress has two objectives:</p> <p>(1) to ensure as many individuals can attend at least once during the rotation cycle (2) to ensure a financially successful World Congress, returning a strong income for WSAVA.</p> <p>What do members think of the following regions for the purpose of congress rotation only: (1) Africa and Middle East, (2) Americas, (3) Asia and Pacific, (3) Europe, and (4) Africa and Middle East.</p>
3	Executive Board Question Time

Lunch Break

Afternoon Agenda

The afternoon agenda will focus on the traditional business responsibilities of the General Assembly, including updates and messages from committees and guests. Please note, items marked with * indicate a member vote is required. In the event of no quorum during the meeting, voting will take place remotely after the meeting concludes.

1	Call to Order
2	Housekeeping <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Recognition of Guests b. In Memoriam c. Order and Format of the Session, including How to Participate d. Conflicts of Interest
3	Agenda <p>Consent Agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. WSAVA Annual Report 2023 b. WSAVA Congress Report 2023 – Lisbon c. Minutes of the General Assembly 2023 – Lisbon d. Minutes of the Special General Assembly 2024 <p>Acceptance of the Agenda including any requests for additions to the agenda.</p>
4	Update on the WSAVA Strategy 2023 to 2025
5	Report from the Financial Advisory Committee
6	Report from the Treasurer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Treasurer’s Report* b. Audited Financial Statement 2023* c. Unaudited Financial Statements for January to June 2024 d. Industry Canada Exemption (to conduct the General Assembly 2025 in conjunction with the WSAVA Congress 2025 in Rio de Janeiro)* e. Appointment of Auditor*
7	Bylaws*

	a. Amendment to the bylaws to change the term of Treasurer from two years renewable once, to two years renewable twice.
8	Confirmation of Candidates Elected to the Executive Board
9	Report from the Membership and Nomination Committee a. Activities of the Membership and Nomination Committee b. Comments on Membership Applications and Extensions
8	Membership* a. Extensions to Associate Membership b. Membership category changes c. New members d. Amendments to the Membership Policies and Procedures (as adopted by the General Assembly in Lima, 2022)
9	Update from the World Small Animal Veterinary Foundation
10	Update from the World Veterinary Association
11	Update from the World Organization for Animal Health
12	President's Award 2024 Rebecca George
13	Acknowledgements
13	Adoption of the Consent Agenda*
14	Date of the General Assembly 2025 24 September 2025 – Rio de Janeiro
15	Any Other Business
16	Adjournment / Close