



THE KENYA VETERINARY ASSOCIATION

44TH ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE, GARISSA 2010

ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

The Kenya Veterinary Association will hold the 44th Annual Scientific Conference between 20th and 23rd April 2010 at Allmond Resort in partnership with Nomad Palace Garissa followed by the World Veterinary Day Celebrations in Garissa and Bura Districts on Saturday 24th April 2010. The events are supported by Arid Lands Resource Management Project.

Theme: One health: essential for a thriving livestock industry.

Returning to the home of livestock in the ASALs where Medical & Veterinary doctors including stakeholders have a role in managing health as a functional unit. All Stakeholders including Research scientists, Veterinary practitioners, Academics, Nongovernmental organizations, Pastoralist & farmer forums, Animal resource industry actors and Pharmaceutical industry are invited to submit abstracts of papers following standard guidelines that can be obtained from the undersigned within the following thematic sessions:

- Livestock Marketing
- Animal production and food safety
- Environmental and cross cutting animal resource industry challenges
- Zoonoses
- Food Animal Practice
- Professional Veterinary Practice
- Companion animal practice and animal welfare
- Wildlife medicine, conservation and tourism
- Legal, Policy and Professional issues.
- Veterinary Pharmaceuticals

Keynote speakers and expert professionals will be invited to give state-of-the-industry presentations. Posters, oral presentations and exhibition of veterinary pharmaceuticals (drugs), equipment, services and products are also invited.

Schedule of Events

- 20th April 2010 Travel to Garissa
- 21st to 23rd April 2010 Scientific conference
- 22nd April 2010 Annual General Meeting
- 24th April 2010 World Veterinary Day Celebrations
- 25th April 2010 Return to Nairobi

Deadline: The final submission of abstracts is Friday 26th March 2010 by 4pm. They will be considered on first come basis.

Conference Registration Fees:

- a) Early Registration (Early bird registration)

Members: KSH 5000/=
Non Members: KSH 6000/=

b) Late registration (later than 10th April 2010)

All Participants: KSH 7,000/=

Conference message

One health concept indicates that the World has awakened to the link between animal diseases and Public Health. It has been known that 60% of known infectious diseases are common to humans and animals (Domestic and wild). Seventy five of recent emerging human diseases come from animals and eighty percent of the pathogens that could potentially be used in bioterrorism are zoonotic. It is also known that human populations need a regular diet of protein particularly from milk, eggs or meat and that a deficiency can also be a public health problem. The unprecedented movement of commodities and people between nations provides opportunities for pathogens to spread and multiply. Further climate change, can enable pathogens to extend their range notably through vectors such as insects colonizing new areas that up until a few years back they could not survive. Many countries including Kenya need to make a firm commitment to establish mechanisms for early detection of disease outbreaks as well as allowing rapid implementation by veterinarians of any required preventive or therapeutic measure directed to animals, stakeholders, veterinarians and human health physicians must collaborate to control zoonotic diseases. Veterinarians must offer overall leadership and technical guidance for animal production, food safety and trade in livestock and all animal resources locally and internationally.

On Constitutional review

In order for the committee of experts to draft a constitution that will serve Kenyans well in non contentious yet very essential areas affecting the productive sector, we urge them to consider the stakeholder views the Kenya Veterinary Association presented to them.

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The Following institutes, partners and corporates have been formally invited however this will serve as a reminder invitation for their

participation but even those stakeholders not listed but are available are welcome to participate

- Arid Lands Resource Management Project
- Ministry of Livestock Development
- Ministry for Northern Kenya
- ASAL Based Rural livelihoods project (ALLPRO)
- PATTEC
- International Fund for Animal Welfare
- Heifer Project International
- Director of Veterinary Services
- Director of Livestock Production
- Kenya Dairy Board
- Cosmos Ltd
- Medilink Lab and Surgicals Ltd
- Azipharm Ltd.
- Osho Chemicals Industries Ltd.
- Wonderfoods Ltd.
- CEVA Animal Health
- Highchem Veterinary Ltd.
- Aesthetics Ltd.
- Ultimate Veterinary Ltd.
- Assia Pharmaceuticals
- Twiga Chemicals Ltd.
- Norbrook Kenya Ltd.
- Cooper K Brands Ltd.
- Murphy Chemicals Ltd.
- Brookside Dairy Ltd.
- Medina Chemicals Ltd.
- Ultravetis E.A. Ltd.
- New KCC Ltd.
- Kenchic Ltd.
- Spin Knit Dairy Ltd.
- Lesukut Ltd.
- Biodeal Laboratory Ltd.
- Farmers' Choice
- Unga Farm Care Ltd.
- Roche Ltd
- Metrovet Ltd.r
- Dawa Pharmaceuticals Ltd.
- K S P C A
- K E N D A T
- Agricultural Finance Corporation
- Development House
- Agricultural Development Corporation
- KEVEVAPI
- Kenya Seed Company

DATES: 21ST TO 24TH APRIL 2010

VENUES: SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE
ALLMOND RESORT

: WORLD VETERINARY DAY
CELEBRATIONS GARISSA
AND BURA