Dear Colleagues, Dear Friends,

2013 is the 150th Anniversary of our association and also the year of the 31st WVC in Prague and the 2nd World veterinary Summit.

The WVA has been more and more visible during these last months and started the 2013 New Year with an important activity combined with the successful organization of the Federation of Asian Veterinary Associations (FAVA) Congress by the Taiwan Veterinary Medical Association and FAVA.

This Taiwan meeting was an excellent opportunity to better promote the veterinary...
profession in the Asian countries and strengthen the links and close collaboration with its members. This followed the Asian Pacific Veterinary Conference coupled with the World Medical Association’s General Assembly in Bangkok, the PANVET Congress in Cartagena, Colombia, the OIE Global Conference on Animal Welfare in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. These, together with the International Congress of Portuguese speaking countries in Lisbon, Portugal, were very interesting and gathered veterinarians and partners from over the World.

The WVA more than ever was associated and welcomed to these events to give more visibility and better promote the future of our profession.

In my addresses during the opening ceremonies, I underlined the importance of collaboration and leadership of these WVA members in the veterinary profession.

The WVA Council in Taiwan reviewed the final report of the ad-hoc WVA working group looking at the WVA Constitution and By-laws presented by René Carlson as Chair of this group. The working group has introduced some amendments to the Constitution and By-laws which will be circulated to all the WVA members for discussion and comments in view of their final adoption at the President’s assembly in September in Prague.

The WVA Council decided to postpone the organization of the conference on veterinary education previously announced for May 2013 in Bangkok in order to guarantee a successful global conference in Brazil in December 2013 and ensure the excellent relationships with international and regional organizations.

The World veterinary Day (WVD) celebration launched by the WVA and OIE under the theme of "Vaccination" is promising very interesting participation from our members as this theme is very rewarding for animal and public health, the one health initiative and for the profession in general.

The 2013 WVD award will be announced during the 81st OIE general Assembly in May and the award ceremony will take place during the 31st WVC and 2nd WVA Summit in Prague in September 2013.

We will be very glad to welcome all of you at this important occasion to celebrate together our 150 year anniversary and to share with you our accomplishments and progress for the bright future of our profession.

Good Luck for all your contributions and looking forward to welcoming you in the beautiful city of Prague, in September.

Please save the date: 17th – 20th September 2013.

Dr. Faouzi Kechrid
President
World Veterinary Association

New WVA member: Philippine Veterinary Medical Association

Following the WVA Council decision of 6th January 2013, the WVA is happy to welcome the Philippine Veterinary Medical Association (PVMA) as a full member of the World Veterinary Association.

The WVA is looking very much forward to collaborating closely with the PVMA.
A few questions for Dr. Jan Bernardy, the WVC 2013 Scientific Committee Chairman

Many colleagues might be thinking to come to the WVC for the first time. What can they expect?

The World Veterinary Congress provides a very comprehensive programme including a large spectrum of scientific and social events, with eleven discipline based lecture streams. Definitely the event for any kind of veterinary practitioner and for any veterinarian with a professional interest in the public sector veterinary role.

The registration fee looks rather expensive. Is it really worth paying so much for joining Prague Congress?

Prague itself is an easily accessible world class destination and any excellent quality Congress program can never come cheap. The scientific program itself has been designed by devoted experts with state of the art knowledge and skills. Nevertheless part of the Congress lecture time has also been given to independent scientists, practitioners and speakers from all over the globe, with quality peer reviewed papers and personal bravery to come and present their work.
What will be the most interesting lectures?

It absolutely depends on participants interests. Be it small animal medicine or surgery, buiatrics, the equine or swine streams, avian medicine, food hygiene or animal welfare. I also strongly recommend having a look on the Scientific Program web page. Names of most lecturers speak for themselves.

In case I travel with my partner, who is not a vet, will there be any program for accompanying persons? What can they do?

We have a broad offer and a large scale of activities for spouses and accompanying persons. These include tours in and outside the historical town of Prague, the 1st World Veterinary Golf Championship and a tour to see Brno Veterinary School, one of the oldest in Central Europe.

What is the weather like in September? What is the quality of accommodation in Prague? And typical Czech food?

September is usually mild, temperatures 14 - 24 degrees Centigrade. The mainly high tourist season in town is over. The are reasonably priced hotels of different categories, many of them close to the Prague Congress Centre. Czech food comes mostly from countryside origins, however it’s quite difficult to point out one typically local dish. Better to say: we can offer many regional specialties … and of course Czech Republic is known as one of few countries where good beer might come cheaper than petrol.

I am looking forward to meeting you in Prague.
The discovery of disease prevention through vaccination is one of the greatest scientific achievements. Vaccines are very valuable tools to stop the spread of a large number of transmissible diseases that threaten the health and welfare of animals and people.

Vaccination of animals helps people to protect their livestock and their companion animals, as well as themselves in case of zoonotic diseases. Through well organised campaigns, vaccination contributes to the eradication of diseases from certain areas and even from the world.

A successful vaccination campaign depends mainly on the use of high quality vaccines, appropriate infrastructure to ensure the rapid and safe delivery of vaccines, monitoring of vaccinated flocks, movement control of animals, and adequate financial resources. The veterinary profession, through effective and efficient Veterinary Services, is crucial for the success of vaccination in animal health.

World Veterinary Association member organisations that celebrate World Veterinary Day alone or in cooperation with other veterinary bodies can participate in the competition of being selected WVD award winner of the year.

The 2013 Award will reward the veterinary association who will best promote the theme “Vaccination” by involving all stakeholders in the organisation of events along with all other stakeholders such as the media and the general public.

The winner will be notified by e-mail and informed as to the logistical aspects of the award ceremony.
WVA EXCOM & Council Meetings – January 2013

On 5th - 7th January 2013, the WVA EXCOM and Council members met in Taipei, Taiwan. During the successful meetings, the WVA Council took many significant decisions in order to lead the WVA for the future as the voice of the global veterinary profession.

- adopted a **new set of principles for the future World Veterinary Congress** [a final decision to change the current WVC rules is to be made by Presidents Assembly (PA) in Prague 2013].

- Supported the working group on the **WVA Constitution & Bylaws** final report and made some amendments to it. The final document will be sent to the WVA members for comments and then it will be submitted to the PA for possible adoption.

For example, WVA Council:
- adopted the **WVA Strategy 2013 – 2018** (see below).

The complete reports of the WVA EXCOM and Council will be sent to the WVA members shortly.

FAVA Congress 2013

The 2013 Congress of Federation of Asian Veterinary Associations (FAVA) was held on 4th - 7th January, 2013 in Taipei, Taiwan.

The congress was attended by more than 1000 delegates from Asia and from other parts of the world.

During the Gala dinner, the WVA President, Dr Faouzi Kechrid gave a speech and exchanged trophies with the Taiwan Veterinary Association President, Dr. Kuo Cho-Che and with FAVA president, Dr. Johnson Chiang.

More information on the FAVA Congress 2013 can be found at: **www.favamember.org/en/**
Introduction
Hundred-fifty years ago, in 1863, Dr J. Gamgee convened a first International Veterinary Congress, an initiative that has grown to what the World Veterinary Association (WVA) is today.

The ambition of this first key group of future-oriented colleagues, to bring veterinarians from all over the world together, to share experiences, to exchange ideas and to join forces for the promotion and development of veterinary medicine still is a very valid one.

More than ever veterinary medicine is a global matter. Disease prevention and control, food security and food safety, animal welfare and availability of medicinal products, have all become global issues that need a global approach. Regardless of all achievements made over the years, international veterinary collaboration is increasingly crucial for the promotion of the health and welfare of animals, and the health and well-being of people.

The WVA unites and represents the global veterinary profession, in the interest of the health and welfare of animals and people as well as in the interest of its member organisations and their members.

Vision for the future
All countries in the world shall have well-functioning veterinary services (public and private) that shall meet the needs of society and that are valued by society.

There shall exist a strong united global veterinary community, ensuring that veterinary services have sufficient resources that are staffed with veterinarians, who are properly educated and licensed by the legal authority to practice veterinary medicine.

In the daily care for the health and welfare of animals, veterinarians will be supported by educated and licensed veterinary technicians.

Mission
To assure and promote animal health and welfare and public health globally, through developing and advancing veterinary medicine, the veterinary profession as well as public and private veterinary services.

Values
- Animals are sentient beings. Their welfare is respected and promoted;

- Veterinary medicine is science based;

- Animal health, animal welfare and public health are inextricably linked together and interdependent. The interests of animals and people shall be carefully balanced.

- Veterinary medicine is carried out in an independent, ethical and personally responsible manner, in the interest of the animals, the client and society;

- Well-functioning veterinary services are a global public good. They are essential for assuring animal health and welfare as well as public health including food safety and food security;
Current Situation
The WVA can be considered as an organisation in constant evolution in addition to building on and strengthening its success as organizer of the World Veterinary Congress (WVC). WVA is putting more and more emphasis on being the voice of the global veterinary profession.

Over the years the WVA has developed and continues to develop policy and position papers on contentious and topical issues. These papers are available at: www.worldvet.org. Comments are welcomed both from WVA members and from third parties.

The WVA is currently in the process of revising its own structure and procedures. The Constitution, Bylaws, Policies and Procedures will be tailored towards achieving future goals, including an increase in members’ involvement and to speed up the decision making process.

Each edition of the World Veterinary Congress is organised and hosted by one of the WVA member organisations, in collaboration with a professional congress organizing company. Selection of the host organisation is made by the Presidents Assembly on the base of bids received.

In connection with its ambitions for the future, The WVA is exploring possibilities to strengthen its financial position. The development of a new concept for the organisation and management of the World Veterinary Congress is part of this process.

A recent initiative is the organisation of a global summit by WVA in collaboration with OIE, WHO and FAO at the World Veterinary Congress.

The WVA secretariat is located in Brussels (Belgium). Secretarial support is provided by Federation of Veterinarian of Europe (FVE). Additional communication services are provided by Dr J. Edwards (New Zealand).

Goals for 2013 - 2018
The WVA has policies and positions which focus on the top global veterinary issues. These policies and positions are conveyed within the veterinary profession as well as towards major decision making institutions and authorities;

The WVA encourages its member-organisations in the development and establishment of well-functioning veterinary services (private and public);

The WVA supports its member-organisations in the promotion of adequate veterinary education that meets the minimum requirements for veterinary training. To this end the WVA develops minimum standards for veterinary training which apply to every veterinarian worldwide, regardless his or her position;

The WVA has an established strategy to communicate effectively with its member-organisations as well as with external parties. This strategy includes elements such as: World Veterinary Congress and other WVA conferences, an interactive website, newsletter, news-mail, press releases and participation in social media and other communication activities;

The WVA has an up to date data base, comprising contact details of all its member organisations as well as of other relevant parties.

The WVA effectively collaborates with relevant global partners such as OIE, WHO, FAO, WMA, WSPA, and IFAH.

The WVA’s World Veterinary Congress is the association’s platform to convey its key messages and to reach out to the profession and stakeholders. The Global Veterinary Summit is a well-established tradition. WVC will grow towards a sustainable source of income for the Association;

The WVA is financially healthy, annual income and expenditures are in balance and there is a reasonable financial reserve to cover unforeseen events, ensuring the long term viability of the WVA;

The WVA has a stable secretariat that meets the needs of a global organisation and that has the ability to function independently.
New look for profession’s welfare charity
The charity led by the veterinary profession

The Animal Welfare Foundation (AWF) has started the new year with a new brand identity and a fresh new website design to kick-start its 30th anniversary celebrations.

Following market research showing most respondents thought the logo was unrecognisable, the new logo aims to strengthen the charity’s identity by making it more visually appealing and by representing the wide range of species the charity covers in its research funding, information leaflets and its advice to vets.

The new website remains at www.bva-awf.org.uk and combines the new logo with a clear layout and clean design to help guide vets, researchers and the public to the relevant resources and information quickly.

New features include a revised grants section which now includes a list of past and present projects and advice to guide potential grants recipients through the application process. To emphasise the Foundation’s reliance on donations and legacies the donation button has been made more prominent and the new site also contains case studies which help veterinary students work through welfare dilemmas.

The charity’s unique selling point and strapline ‘The charity led by the veterinary profession’ is also clearly displayed to further strengthen the AWF brand.

Commending the new logo and website, AWF Chair Dr Tiffany Hemming commented:

“We have tried to make the site as appealing, well-structured and easy to navigate as possible to show off all our areas of activity and to encourage use of our excellent resources.

“In the year of our 30th anniversary I am pleased to have this fresh new image to help us stay in people’s minds where animal welfare is concerned, whether it is a veterinary practice wanting to provide clients with easy-to-understand leaflets, a researcher looking for funding or a member of the public who has heard of our initiatives and resources.

“We have more exciting plans in the pipeline to celebrate AWF at 30 so visit the website and look out for more information.”

BVA President Peter Jones added:

“With a strong new brand and website I hope AWF becomes an increasingly popular destination for vets in particular and for the general public with its simple and practical advice for everyone concerned with animal welfare.

“I also hope that the profession will find renewed enthusiasm for its own animal welfare charity which needs to attract donations to continue its work to promote animal welfare through research, education and debate.”

The Animal Welfare Foundation was established in 1983 by the British Veterinary Association as a result of a generous legacy. The AWF aims to apply the knowledge, skill and compassion of veterinary surgeons in an effective way by funding a variety of research projects and educational activities targeted at improving animal welfare. The involvement of the veterinary profession as trustees of the AWF makes this charity unique. The foundation is funded entirely by voluntary contributions.

AWF produces a range of leaflets primarily aimed at pet owners including ‘Taking your pets abroad’, ‘Pets and poisons’, ‘Keeping pet chickens’, ‘Caring for rabbits’, ‘Caring for your ferret’ and ‘What makes my pet happy?’.

To view all leaflets and place an order please visit www.bva-awf.org.uk/pet-care-advice or contact bva-awf@bva.co.uk.
Complementary and Alternative Veterinary Medicine

Council approved the following revised position statement:

“The Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) believes that the use of alternative and complementary therapies on animals, including the prescription and administration of natural and homeopathic products, constitutes the practice of veterinary medicine. The Association also holds that these therapies should only be offered in the context of a valid veterinary / client / patient relationship and that informed client consent must be obtained. Clients should be informed of conventional diagnostic and therapeutic options that are applicable and available. The CVMA also believes that it is incumbent upon veterinarians who use alternative and complementary therapies to become adequately trained in their application.”

Prudent Use Guidelines

The Companion Animal Prudent Use Guidelines are under development. The CVMA Working Group has completed the general principles and the UTI section. Work has begun on the canine pyoderma section. The adaptation of the Guidelines into a web application for tablets and smartphones is being planned.

Animal Welfare Castration of Horses, Donkeys, and Mules

Council approved the following revised position statement:

“The Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) regards castration of horses, donkeys, and mules as a veterinary medical procedure which should only be performed by a veterinarian, using appropriate surgical, anesthetic and analgesic techniques. Castration of horses, donkeys and mules is an elective procedure involving significant risk to the animal. The CVMA encourages provincial regulatory authorities to regard castration of horses, donkeys and mules as an act of veterinary practice and regulate accordingly. Furthermore, the failure to provide surgical anesthesia during equine castration would cause avoidable animal suffering.”

Capture of Wild Animals for the Pet Trade

Council approved the following revised position statement:

“The Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) is opposed to the capture of wild animals to be kept or sold as pets.”

International Summit for Urban Animal Strategies

The CVMA has represented the veterinary profession in this annual event for several years. The Care for Cats campaign was one of the outcomes of this Summit in which representatives from shelters, SPCAs, Humane Societies, PJAC, breeders, municipalities and veterinarians collaborate.

In 2013, Regional Summits for Urban Animal Strategies will be held in Toronto (April 17), Halifax, (April 18), Red Deer, (April 22) and Vancouver, (April 23). CVMA Council members will represent the profession at these regional conferences which are designed to bring stakeholders together to work collaboratively on urban animal strategies. Veterinarians can register for these Conferences through http://www.tsuas.com/2013RSUAS

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"One Health"

Sixty percent of the pathogens that cause diseases in humans are of animal origin. These diseases, known as zoonoses, can be transmitted by domestic or wild animals.

Animal diseases that are transmissible to humans, such as avian influenza, rabies, brucellosis and bovine spongiform encephalopathy, present a public health risk worldwide and must imperatively be prevented or combated at every level, including the global one.

The most effective and economical solution to protect humans is to combat all zoonotic pathogens through their control at the animal source. This requires new political approach leading to specific investments in terms of governance, particularly with regard to the allocation of public and private resources. Pathogens that are not zoonotic but have a negative impact on the production of animal-derived protein should not be overlooked. This is especially important in developing countries as problems affecting the quantity and quality of food production and its availability can also have serious public health consequences.

The “One Health” concept is founded on an awareness of the major opportunities that exist to protect public health through policies aimed at preventing and controlling pathogens at the level of animal populations, at the interface between humans, animals and the environment.

Implementation of these policies places not only veterinarians and animal owners in the front line but also people who regularly come into contact with wildlife and the environment, in particular those involved in fishing and hunting and managers of protected areas. They involve new mechanisms requiring all these stakeholders to inform one other and act in a concerted manner, in liaison with public health managers, usually working under the auspices of the Minister of Health in our Member Countries, whether they are State officials, local government staff or physicians in private practice.

Putting the “One Health” vision into practice has been facilitated by a formal alliance on this topic between the World Health Organization (WHO), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE). The three Organisations have published a joint Concept Note clarifying their reciprocal responsibilities and their objectives in this field (see note). They have also decided to choose the following as priority topics for their joint actions: rabies, which still kills nearly 70,000 people every year, zoonotic influenza viruses (those causing certain types of avian influenza, for instance) and antimicrobial resistance.
For its part, the OIE is continuing its normative work on animal disease prevention and control methods and on health standards relating to the safety of international trade in animals and animal products, with priority being given to the prevention of diseases transmissible to humans.

The OIE also publishes international standards on good governance of the public and private sector components of the Veterinary Services, including the initial training and continuing education of the various actors involved. Furthermore, it offers Member Countries an independent evaluation of their Veterinary Services’ compliance with the OIE’s quality standards, along with special tools to calculate the investments and legislative and technical reforms needed to bring their Services into line with these quality standards.

This service provided by the OIE, known as the ‘PVS Pathway’, has already benefited nearly 120 Member Countries. It also includes an optional “One Health” pilot evaluation tool, already successfully tested in three countries, designed to help all countries, at their own request, to establish closer collaboration between Veterinary Services and Public Health Services, in compliance both with the quality standards published by the OIE and with the obligations on WHO Member Countries stemming from the International Health Regulations they have adopted.

All these synergies between animal health, public health and environmental specialists, applied at a local, national and global level, will undoubtedly contribute to the constant and simultaneous improvement of public health and animal health worldwide.

AOVG Meeting
Taipei January 2013

A very productive Asia Oceania Veterinary Group (AOVG) meeting was held at the recent Federation of Asian Veterinary Associations’ Congress (FAVA) in Taipei.

The meeting welcomed new participants from the Nepal Veterinary Association, Universitas Gadjah Mada (Indonesia), Institut Pertanian Bogor (Indonesia), & the Philippine Veterinary Medical Association, as well as a representative from the Asian College of Veterinary Dermatology. Also in attendance were the presidents of SVA (Singapore), AVA (Australia), HKVA (Hong Kong) & VAM (Malaysia), as well as the vice-presidents of VSAVA (Vietnam) & IVMA (Indonesia).

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The World Small Animal Veterinary Association (WSAVA), an umbrella organization representing 180,000 veterinarians globally through 92 member associations, has unveiled a new corporate identity and launched a new website at www.wsava.org. Both have been designed to help provide an enhanced sense of the ‘global community of veterinarians’ the WSAVA represents by providing a strong external image and enabling members to share information easily and quickly with colleagues around the world.

They have been launched just ahead of WSAVA FASAVA World Congress which takes place in Auckland from 6th – 9th March 2013.
Education council schedules site visits

The AVMA Council on Education has scheduled site visits to eight schools and colleges of veterinary medicine for 2013.

Site visits are planned for the:
- University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine, Feb. 10-14;
- University of Melbourne Faculty of Veterinary Science, March 17-21;
- University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine, April 7-11;
- University of Glasgow School of Veterinary Medicine, April 21-25;
- University of Missouri-Columbia College of Veterinary Medicine, May 19-23;
- VetAgro Sup Campus Vétérinaire de Lyon, Sept. 22-26;
- Tuskegee University College of Veterinary Medicine, Oct. 13-17; and
- The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine, Oct. 27-31.

Veterinary Biologics Training Program Scheduled for May, 2013

Ames, IA - The Veterinary Biologics Training Program is held annually for professionals in veterinary vaccine and diagnostic test development and regulatory agencies. This course provides an overview of the scientific principles of immunology and vaccinology; and the USDA regulatory process for assuring the purity, safety, potency and efficacy of veterinary biologics.

Enrollment is now open for the 2013 Program which begins May 14th, 2013 in Ames, Iowa USA.

Now in its 18th year, the Veterinary Biologics Training Program has been attended by nearly 1800 individuals, including more than 500 attendees from 84 countries.

The course is co-sponsored by the Institute for International Cooperation in Animal Biologics (IICAB); the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service’s (APHIS) Center for Veterinary Biologics (CVB); and the Iowa State University (ISU) College of Veterinary Medicine.

Visit the website for more information regarding itinerary, registration fees/deadlines and forms, housing for international participants, meals, transportation, and lodging: www.cfsph.iastate.edu/IICAB/meetings/may2013.php

Please note that Block 1 is also available as an online course. Individuals and groups can take this course at their own pace without travel expense and time away from the office. Visit www.cfsph.iastate.edu/Immunology to preview the online lectures and to register for the online course.
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"DISEASE ERADICATION: What will it take?"

Date: 14-16 February 2013
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The Sub-themes:
- Disease Surveillance and Diagnostics
- Response to Disease Threats
- Prevention and control
- Policy, Advocacy and Communication
- The Environment, Climate Change and Disease
- Social and Economic Dimensions

Pre- One Health Conference Activities in partnership with University of Minnesota and One Health Central and Eastern Africa (OHCEA)

a) One Health Leadership Training, 11-12th February, 2013 at Hotel Africana, Kampala
b) Launch of Launch of One Health Residency program, 12th February, 2013 at College of Veterinary Medicine, Animal Resources and Biosecurity (COVAB), Makerere University
c) One Health Talk and Launch of One Health Student Club, 13th February, 2013, Main Hall, Makerere University.

Registration Fees
Registration fees should be paid to UMA Stanbic Bank Account No: (0140005725503) or mobile numbers (0774735332 or 0706136900 or 0755155995) or UVA Secretariat Office

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Calendar of Events

**Free 2-Day Virtual Lab Animal Science Conference**  
February 13th & 14th, 2013  
Website: [www.bioconferencelive.com/][1]

**4th International Meeting on Emerging Diseases and Surveillance**  
[IMED](http://ime.isid.org/)  
February 15th-18th, 2013  
Vienna, Austria  
Website: [http://imed.isid.org/][2]

**1st International One Health Conference in Uganda**  
"Disease eradication: What will it take?"  
14th – 16th February, 2013  
Hotel Africana, Kapala, Uganda

**8th International Sheep Veterinary Congress**  
18th – 22nd February 2013  
“Connecting Science and Sheep”  
Website: [www.conference.intsheepvetassoc.org][3]

**International Workshop on “Veterinary Pharmacob Vigilance for Global Food Security”**  
21st and 22nd February, 2013  
Venue: Madras Veterinary College, Chennai, Chennai-600 051, Tamil Nadu, India.  
E-mail: [vpvgfs2013@gmail.com][4]

**ICLAP 2013**  
27th – 28th February, 2013  
Tehran, Iran  
Website: [http://iclarpabstract/index.php][5]

**6th European Equine Health and Nutrition Congress**  
"Feeding horses for Gastrointestinal Health”  
1st – 2nd March, 2013  
Website: [www.equine-congress.com/en/programme][6]

**World Small Animal Veterinary Association Congress**  
6th – 7th March 2013  
Auckland, New Zealand  
Website: [www.wsava2013.org][7]

**OIE Global Conference on the Responsible and Prudent Use of Antimicrobial Agents for Animals**  
13th – 15th March 2013  
Paris, France  
Website: [www.oie.int/eng/A_AMR2013/introduction.htm][8]

**Africa Vet Experience course**  
24th March – 4th April 2013  
Website: [www.facebook.com/africavetexperience][9]

**Petfood Forum & Petfood Workshop**  
April 15th – 18th, 2013  
Schaumburg, Illinois, USA  
Website: [www.petfoodindustry.com][10]

**1st International Conference on Avian, Herpetological and Exotic Mammal Medicine**  
April 20th – 26th, 2013  
Wiesbaden, Germany  
Website: [www.icare2013.eu][11]

**1st Cuban International Conference on Small Animal Medicine & Surgery**  
Parque Central Hotel, Havana  
26th – 27th April 2013  
Website: [www.dwcf.org.uk/education/courses-vets.aspx][12]

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**World Veterinary Day**  
**Saturday 27th April 2013**  
**Theme: “Vaccination”**

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**Medical Library Association Annual Meeting**  
May 3rd – 5th, 2013  
Boston, MA, USA  
Website: [www.mlanet.org/am/am2013/][13]

**International Conference on Diseases of Zoo and Wild Animals 2013**  
8th – 11th May 2013  
Vienna, Austria  
E-mail: [2013@zoovet-conference.org][14]  
Website: [www.zoovet-conference.org][15]
Caring for health and welfare of fish: A critical success factor for aquaculture
16 – 17 May 2013
International Auditorium
Boulevard Roi Albert II 5, Brussels, Belgium
Website: www.fve.org

World Research and Innovation Congress
Pioneers in Healthcare
Brussels, Belgium
5th and 6th June, 2013
Website: www.worldresearchcongress.com

International Seminar on the History of veterinary medicine
7th to 9th June 2013
Hammamet, Tunisia
Euro-Arab Veterinary Association

CYMA Convention
10th – 13th July, 2013
Victoria, British Columbia
Website: https://canadianveterinarians.net/

Africa Vet Experience course
4th – 15th August 2013
Website: www.facebook.com/africavetexperience

13th International Dengue Course
12th – 23rd August 2013
“Pedro Kouri” Tropical Medicine Institute
Havana, Cuba

Petfood Forum China
August 23rd, 2013
Shanghai, China
Website: www.petfoodindustry.com

16th International Congress on Infectious Diseases
2nd - 5th April 2014
Cape Town, South Africa
Website: www.isid.org/icid/

World Biometrics Congress
27th July 2014 to 1st August 2014
Cairns Convention Centre
Australia
Website: http://wbc2014.com

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First Latin American Congress of Veterinary Medicine, Traumatology, Orthopaedics and Radiology.

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