



# Minutes of the 71st IVSA Symposium in Slovenia 4th to 12th January 2023



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37. Approval of the 71st IVSA Congress in Brazil, General Assembly Minutes
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## GA 3

40. Roll Call
41. Nominations for President position (2023-2024)
  - 41.1. Nominations will be open until GA 3
42. Nominations for MENA Regional Representative position (2023)
  - 42.1. Nominations will be open until GA 3
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51. Roll Call
52. Nominations for 73rd IVSA Symposium (2 years away)
  - 52.1. Nominations are open throughout Symposium and will also be open during the 72nd IVSA Congress in Denmark (July-August 2023)
53. Presentation of The Election Committee and Test Election
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57. Presentation of the Nominees for 73rd IVSA Congress (2024)
58. Continue with Agenda from GA 1 Onwards

#### GA 5

59. Roll Call
60. Nominations for 73rd IVSA Symposium (2 years away)
  - 60.1. Nominations are open throughout Symposium and will also be open during the 72nd IVSA Congress in Denmark (July-August 2023)
61. Purina Institute Presentation
62. Continue with Agenda from GA 1 Onwards

#### GA 6

63. Roll Call
64. Nominations for 73rd IVSA Symposium (2 years away)
  - 64.1. Nominations are open throughout Symposium and will also be open during the 72nd IVSA Congress in Denmark (July-August 2023)
65. Introduction of the Election Procedures (10 Minutes)
66. Elections (30 Minutes)
67. WSAVA Presentation
68. Partner Presentation- WOAHA
69. FVE Presentation (Online)
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#### GA 7

71. Roll Call
72. Nominations for 73rd IVSA Symposium (2 years away)
  - 72.1. Nominations are open throughout Symposium and will also be open during the 72nd IVSA Congress in Denmark (July-August 2023)
73. Continue with Agenda from GA 1 Onwards
74. Excellence Award
75. Any Other Business (AOB)



## Minutes of the First General Assembly

**Yuri Victor Calvo Called the first session of the general assembly to order at 14:34 UTC+1 on 6 January 2023.**

### 1. Welcome and Introduction of the proceedings

#### 1.1. Introduction to IVSA

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) gave a brief presentation about IVSA introducing the aims, structure, and other relevant information of the organisation.

#### 1.2. Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (RONR) Presentation

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) gave a presentation to the delegates about the Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised that must be followed during the GA proceedings, including making a motion, secondary motions, voting as a national member organisation, ways to cast ballots, and Robert's Rules of Order that should be followed during the General Assembly.

Trinity Dockery (IVSA Ireland) asked for an example to be shown.

The Chair, Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO), entertained a motion to grant observers speaking rights. Merel Knoops (IVSA Belgium) Moved the motion. Motion was seconded and there were no objections to the motion.

### 2. Granting Candidate Member Organisations voting rights - Resolution on Temporary allocation of voting rights

Following the Roll Call of Member Organisations Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) stated that the Temporary Resolution on the allocation of voting grants voting rights to Active Candidates that are present at the First Session of the General Assembly.

The Chair recognized IVSA India who was granted voting rights and active status as per the IVSA General Assembly's Resolution on the Allocation of Temporary Voting Rights.

### 3. Roll Call of all Member Organisations

National Organisation	Member	Status	Voting (Yes/No)	Rights	General Assembly status (Present-P/Absent-A)
IVSA Algeria		Active	Y		A
IVSA Austria		Active	Y		A



IVSA Bangladesh	Active Candidate	N	A
IVSA Belgium	Active	Y	P
IVSA Bosnia and Herzegovina	Active	Y	A
IVSA Brazil	Active	Y	P
IVSA Bulgaria	Active Candidate	N	A
IVSA Colombia	Active	Y	A
IVSA Croatia	Active	Y	P
IVSA Cyprus	Active	Y	A
IVSA Czech Republic	Active	Y	P
IVSA Denmark	Active	Y	P
IVSA Egypt	Active	Y	A
IVSA Estonia	Active	Y	A
IVSA Finland	Active	Y	A
IVSA France	Active	Y	A
IVSA Germany	Active	Y	P
IVSA Ghana	Active	Y	A
IVSA Greece	Active	Y	P
IVSA Grenada	Active Candidate	N	P
IVSA Hungary	Active	Y	A
IVSA India	Active	Y*	P
IVSA Indonesia	Active	Y	P
IVSA Iraq	Active	Y	A
IVSA Ireland	Active	Y	P
IVSA Italy	Active	Y	P
IVSA Japan	Active	Y	A
IVSA Latvia	Active	Y	A
IVSA Lithuania	Active Candidate	N	A
IVSA Malawi	Active Candidate	N	A
IVSA Malaysia	Active	Y	A
IVSA Mexico	Active	Y	A
IVSA Morocco	Active	Y	P
IVSA Namibia	Active	Y	A
IVSA Nepal	Active	Y	A
IVSA Nigeria	Active	Y	A



IVSA Norway	Active	Y	P
IVSA Pakistan	Active Candidate	N	A
IVSA Palestine	Active Candidate	N	A
IVSA Peru	Active	Y	P
IVSA Philippines	Active	Y	A
IVSA Poland	Active	Y	P
IVSA Portugal	Active	Y	A
IVSA Romania	Active	Y	A
IVSA Rwanda	Active Candidate	N	A
IVSA Serbia	Active	Y	P
IVSA Slovakia	Active	Y	A
IVSA Slovenia	Active	Y	P
IVSA South Africa	Active	Y	A
IVSA South Korea	Active	Y	P
IVSA Spain	Active	Y	A
IVSA Sudan	Active Candidate	N	A
IVSA Sweden	Active	Y	A
IVSA Switzerland	Active	Y	P
IVSA Taiwan	Active	Y	P
IVSA Tanzania	Active Candidate	N	A
IVSA Thailand	Active	Y	P
IVSA The Netherlands	Active	Y	A
IVSA Trinidad and Tobago	Active	Y	A
IVSA Tunisia	Active	Y	A
IVSA Turkey	Active	Y	A
IVSA Uganda	Active	Y	A
IVSA UK	Active	Y	P
IVSA USA	Active	Y	P
IVSA Venezuela	Active Candidate	N	A
IVSA Zimbabwe	Active Candidate	N	A
<b>Quorum</b>			<b>41.51%</b>

\*: Voting rights were granted with the MO in attendance during the First GA

#### 4. Election of The Chair

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) opened nominations for Chair of the General Assembly.



Mehdi Amrani (IVSA Morocco) nominated Merel Knoop (IVSA Belgium) to chair the GA. Merel Knoop (IVSA Belgium) accepted and there were no objections.

#### 5. Election of The Parliamentarian

The Chair opened nominations for the GA position of Parliamentarian. Małgorzata Wcisło (IVSA Poland) nominated Matteo Carnevale (IVSA Italy) to be the parliamentarian. Matteo accepted the nomination and there were no other nominations or objections. Matteo Carnevale (IVSA Italy) was elected the Parliamentarian.

#### 6. Election of the Election Committee

The Chair opened nominations for the Election Committee.

Arfin Wiratama (IVSA Indonesia) nominated Maulida Salsabila (IVSA EXCO) and she accepted the nomination.

Laura Rodman (IVSA Croatia) nominated Karina Khatic (IVSA EXCO) and she accepted the nomination.

Tamy Negron (IVSA Peru) nominated Zuzanna Czekaj (IVSA Poland), and she accepted the nomination.

There were no other nominations and there were no objections; the three members nominated were elected to the Election Committee.

#### 7. Election of the Report Card Auditors

The Chair entertained a motion to table point 7 until further notice.

Trinity Dockery (IVSA Ireland) moved and was seconded. There were no discussions or objections and point 7 was tabled.

**The agenda point was tabled until further notice at 15:32 UTC+1 on 06/01/2023.**

#### 8. Amendments to and approval of the proposed agenda

James Caligiuri (IVSA EXCO) moved to strike point "25.6 IVSA Journal Taskforce" from the agenda.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) called for a Point of Information on why Agenda Point 25.6 was being struck from the agenda.





Maulida Salsabila (IVSA EXCO) explained the IVSA Journal taskforce was terminated in November and the applications for the new taskforce were going to open following the Symposium and did not need to be discussed during the GA. There were no objections to striking out 25.6 from the agenda and 25.6 was removed from GA Agenda.

The Chair entertained a motion to approve the agenda, Konstantina Louka (IVSA Greece) moved to approve the agenda, and it was seconded.

There was no discussion, no objections, and the motion was passed.

#### 9. Nominations for President position (2023-2024)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the President position.

There were no nominations and nominations were closed.

The Chair informed the GA that nominations would remain open until GA 3

#### 10. Nominations for MENA Regional Representative position (2023)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the position of the MENA Regional Representative.

Tamy Negron (IVSA Peru) nominated Mohammed Mosaad (IVSA Egypt), Mohammed was not present and Avnish Gala (IVSA India) accepted on his behalf.

There were no more nominations and nominations were closed.

The Chair informed the GA that nominations would remain open until GA 3

#### 11. Nominations for Secretariat position (2023)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the Secretariat position.

There were no nominations and nominations were closed.

The Chair informed the GA that nominations would remain open until GA 3

#### 12. Nominations for 73rd IVSA Congress (1.5 years away)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the host of the 73<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Congress.

There were no nominations and nominations were closed.

The Chair informed the GA that IVSA Peru and IVSA Bosnia have already been nominated at the 71st IVSA Congress, and that nominations would remain open until GA 3



### 13. Nominations for 73rd IVSA Symposium (2 years away)

The Chair opened nominations for the 73<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Symposium.

There were no nominations, and the nominations were closed.

The Chair informed the GA that nominations would remain open until the 72<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Congress in Denmark (July-August 2023)

The Chair entertained a motion to stand at ease for 10 minutes.

Nabil el Habib (IVSA Morocco) moved to stand at ease and was seconded. The Chair informed the delegates their buddies would be coming to discuss with their groups the Bylaw Amendments that will be voted on after the stand at ease.

The GA went into stand at ease at 15:39 UTC+1.

The Chair called the GA back to order at 15:54 UTC+1.

### 14. Continue with Agenda from GA 1 Onwards

#### GA 1 Onwards

### 15. Bylaw Amendment 1 - MO Duties

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) presented the proposed bylaw amendment on the MO Duties section of the IVSA Bylaws.

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) motioned to amend the amendment in section 11.1.1 Duties, number 3, to remove "(e.g. National Board)", "and their university representatives", and add "and a list of". There were no objections to amend the amendment in section 11.1.1 number 3.

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) motioned to amend the amendment's wording at section 11.1.1. number 4.

Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) asked for a point of information on the reason for the change in wording. Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) explained the change in wording is to keep the amendment in line with our Bylaws.

There were no objections to the motion of amending the amendment of section 11.1.1. number 4.



The Chair opened the floor for discussion on the motion to approve the bylaw amendment “MO Duties.”

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) explained the reason for the change is when IVSA moved to a new structure where we recognize MOs as a whole country and do not have control of the creation of local chapters and do not have communication with them. The proposed amendment would help improve communication between IVSA Global and local chapters as well as the communication between the National MO and their Local Chapters.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) asked when and how the numbers would be submitted to global.

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) stated the National MOs need to inform Global when new LCs are formed so we know when there are new chapters so we can assist them.

Eunchan Lee (IVSA South Korea) asked if it is mandatory to submit local chapters if there are not any.

Vanda Ducic (EXCO) stated if you do not have local chapters, you do not need to submit a list of local chapters.

There were no objections to the proposed bylaw amendment on MO Duties. The proposed bylaw amendment was passed.

#### 16. Bylaw Amendment 2 - Regional Representative Nominations

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) moved to strike out the section of the bylaws that opens RR nominations 30 days prior to the start of the General Assembly. Yuri explained that this was done for the previous Congress and current Symposium, but it has not been used and there have been no submissions using the form. Opening nominations, a month prior only makes more work for the Election Committee and does not benefit IVSA.

The Chair opened the floor for discussion. There were no discussion and no objections to the bylaw amendment. The proposed bylaw amendment on Regional Representative Nominations was passed.



**Silvia Killat (IVSA Germany) moved to go into a 10-minute recess at 16:21 UTC+1**

**The Chair called the GA back to order at 16:56 UTC+1.**

### 17. Bylaw Amendment 3 - Regional Representative Responsibilities

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) moved to amend the bylaws and add "10.3 Responsibilities" under section 10. Regional Representatives.

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) explained that we have added Regional Representatives to the IVSA Officials, but they are currently not required to report to the GA. This will help support our regions and keep the GA informed on what is happening in the regions.

There were no objections to the bylaw amendment and the amendment has been passed.

The Chair entertained a motion to table points 18 to 24, Matteo Carnevale (IVSA Italy) moved to table points 18 to 24 and was seconded. There were no objections, and points 18 to 24 were tabled, the GA moved to point 25 at 17:00 UTC+1.

### 25. Update on IVSA Activities

#### 25.1 President Update

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) gave a presentation on the updates from the President of IVSA.

The first update was regarding partner relations to explain we have had more engagement from external organisations of FVE, WSAVA, WVA, WOA, and other international student associations. He explained we are discussing a potential new project of a leadership forum in Bangkok with WSAVA financially supporting members from the national boards of the Asian MOs to attend. WVA was able to provide 2 speaking sessions during their congress for IVSA members. We are also hosting a volunteer project in collaboration with WVA's event. WOA, formerly OIE, wants to increase engagement with IVSA which will lead to more collaboration with them in the future.



Yuri explained that a lot of the work of the President is about internal structure and communication. He mentioned that there is a members portal project that has been in the works for the past 7 years that will be presented later in the GA sessions. He also explained that we are updating our term registration and about the meetings we host as EXCO.

Yuri then gave updates on our relations with the United Nations. He explained that we had the opportunity to initiate conversations with UN entities and continue our work from the past term with FAO, WHO, UNEP. Additionally, we are currently applying for official relations with UNESCO. Relations with these organisations can generate a lot of opportunities for members.

Mehdi (IVSA Morocco) asked what steps have been taken to establish relations with UNESCO.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) stated they have a SOP on documents that need to be filled out requesting information from the previous 5 years; when we have completed the forms, the letters will be sent to UNESCO.

## 25.2 Executive Sessions Report

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) explained to the delegates what an Executive Session is and that an Executive Session was held on the 3rd of December 2022 regarding our US banking situation. He explained that we are not able to move money out of our US bank accounts and mentioned the pros and cons of unlocking and keeping or unlocking and cancelling the account. The decision made was to unlock the account and then decide on what to do with the account once it is unlocked.

Taha Rahmani (Morocco) asked why we are not able to take the money out of the bank. Yuri Calvo (EXCO) explained that the issues are due to our registration in the US and having trouble with changing the information to the new term.



### 25.3 External Relations Officer Update

Ellison Browne (EXCO) explained that, as ERO, he renews existing partner/sponsorship, developing new partnerships/sponsorships and facilitating sponsor engagement. He mentioned that the MOUs with Purina Institute and IPSF have been renewed. He also stated there are several other MOUs that are in the process of being renewed.

He explained there are newly signed MOUs with Vets In Mind Alliance x SCOW and with GlueUp. GlueUp is the host of the Members Portal and the new IVSA Website. He also explained that alongside these, there are many other partnerships/sponsorships in development, and some are almost completed.

Ellison gave an update on sponsor engagement: some sponsors are working on projects with the Committees, and they are working on creating new opportunities for IVSA members.

### 25.4 Development Aid Director Update

Hajar Saidi (IVSA EXCO) explained that the BeKindAward is an opportunity for IVSA MOs to fundraise for the Development Fund (DF). There will be a winner of this award to help promote kindness and compassion within IVSA.

She explained that IVC Evidensia donated funds to the DF to help with an MO Fund to assist MOs from low-income countries with projects they wish to conduct in the fields of animal welfare, one health, veterinary education, soft skills, or wellness. She explained MOs must apply with a proposal for a project in order to receive the funds.

Hajar explained that the DF supplies a reduced fee spot for 2 members to pay less event fees to help members attend the IVSA Global events.

Hajar explained money raised from the sale of IVSA Merchandise and the auctions will go to the DF.



Hajar explained the Membership Fee Sponsorship Project: is an opportunity for MOs to help other MOs that have difficulty affording their own fees pay for their membership fees She stated it will be open in the second half of this term.

Hajar explained the Zoetis Individual Exchange Scholarship is an opportunity for IVSA members to fund their own individual exchanges including travel, visa, accommodations, and any other related expenses.

The Chair entertained a motion to go into recess.

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) moved to go into recess and was seconded. There were no objections to calling GA 1 into recess.

**The first session of the General Assembly went into recess at 17:26 UTC+1.**



## Minutes of the Second General Assembly

The Chair called the second session of the General Assembly to order at 08:42 UTC+1 on

January 7, 2023.

### 31. Roll Call

National Member Organisation	General Assembly status (Present-P/Absent-A)
IVSA Algeria	P
IVSA Belgium	P
IVSA Brazil	P
IVSA Croatia	P
IVSA Czech Republic	P
IVSA Denmark	P
IVSA Germany	P
IVSA Greece	P
IVSA India	P
IVSA Indonesia	P
<b>IVSA Ireland</b>	P
IVSA Italy	P
IVSA Morocco	P
IVSA Norway	P
IVSA Perú	P
IVSA Poland	P
IVSA Serbia	P
IVSA Slovenia	P
IVSA South Korea	P
IVSA Switzerland	P
IVSA Taiwan	P
IVSA Thailand	P
IVSA The Netherlands	A
IVSA UK	P
IVSA USA	P
<b>Quorum</b>	<b>45.28%</b>

### 32. Nominations for President position (2023-2024)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the President position.





There were no nominations and nominations were closed.

The Chair informed the GA that nominations would remain open until GA 3.

### 33. Nominations for MENA Regional Representative position (2023)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the position of the MENA Regional Representative.

Mohammed Nabil el Habib (IVSA Morocco) nominated Afaf Charaf (IVSA Morocco), Afaf was not present to accept and Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) accepted the nomination on her behalf.

There were no more nominations and nominations were closed.

The Chair informed the GA that nominations would remain open until GA 3.

### 34. Nominations for Secretariat position (2023)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the Secretariat position.

There were no nominations and nominations were closed.

The Chair informed the GA that nominations would remain open until GA 3.

### 35. Nominations for 73rd IVSA Congress (1.5 years away)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the host of the 73<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Congress.

There were no nominations and nominations were closed.

The Chair informed the GA that nominations would remain open until GA 3.

### 36. Nominations for 73rd IVSA Symposium (2 years away)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the host of the 73<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Symposium.

There were no nominations and nominations were closed.

The Chair informed the GA that nominations would remain open until the 72<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Congress in Denmark (July-August 2023)

### 37. Approval of the 71st IVSA Congress in Brazil, General Assembly Minutes

The Chair brought forward the friendly amendments made by Trust to the minutes.



James Caligiuri (IVSA EXCO) moved to approve the minutes with the friendly amendments made by Trust and was seconded.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) asked for the reasoning of striking out one part of the minutes. Mehdi Amrani (IVSA Morocco) stated the reason it was being struck out is because that part was stated twice.

Tamy Negrón (IVSA Peru) pointed out an error in the minutes stating that Altair Perez Bobadilla made a motion when it was Jose Sanchez.

The Chair stated this is a friendly amendment which can be included with the friendly amendments made by Trust.

There were no objections to approving the General Assembly Minutes from the 71<sup>st</sup> IVSA Congress in Brazil and the minutes were approved.

### **38. Presentation and approval of the Post-Treasurer Financial Report of the Term 2021-2022**

John Trajano (IVSA EXCO) gave the presentation of the Post-Treasurer Financial Report for the 2021-2022 term.

Matthias Grembler (IVSA Germany) asked for the reason for the unexpected costs of MOs being more than double the amount that was budgeted for.

Mehdi Amrani (IVSA Morocco) stated a point of order that no motion was made and there could not be a discussion on the Post-Treasurer report as no motion had been made.

James Caligiuri (IVSA EXCO) moved to approve the Post-Treasurer report and was seconded.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) informed that the Post-Treasurer was not available to answer questions, but that Ania Cieckiewicz (IVSA Poland) the previous term President was on a Google Meet call to answer any questions from the delegates.



Ania Cieckiewicz (IVSA Poland) explained that we had unexpected expenses because the €10,000 Purina Institute gave IVSA was moved from the Central Fund (CF) to the Development Fund (DF) to assist with the travel grant for the Congress in Brazil. The movement of these funds required an expense listed on the CF and a listed income in the DF.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) stated she did not understand what the previous speaker mentioned regarding the requirement to list a movement of money between the different funds.

John Trajano (IVSA EXCO) explained that we needed to make an expense on the CF to move the money to the DF. The DF is an autonomous budget and does not show in the CF budget.

Trinity Dockery (IVSA Ireland) asked about the deficit and how this could be avoided in the future or if it is unavoidable.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) answered that there were more expenses than calculated in the budget and that some expenses are required as per the bylaws. He stated that one way to avoid this in the future, is to lower expenses in other areas that we can control to help fix the budget such as travel budgets. The President will meet with the President-Elect and Treasurer to address this in the future.

There were no objections to approving the Post-Treasurer Financial report and the report was approved.

The Chair entertained a motion to stand at ease for 5 minutes. Silvia Killat (IVSA Germany) moved and was seconded.

**The GA went into a stand at ease at 09:30 UTC+1.**



**The GA was called back to order at 09:37 UTC+1.**

### 39. Continue with Agenda from GA 1 Onwards

The Chair entertained a motion to un-table agenda points 20-24. Ivana Ibelli (IVSA Italy) moved and was seconded. Agenda Points 20-24 were untabled.

GA 1 Onwards

### 20. Presentation and approval of 71st IVSA Congress in Brazil Itinerary Report

Livia Garcia (IVSA Brazil) gave the presentation of the Final Report of the 71st IVSA

Congress in Brazil. She showed the attendance of the event and the final itinerary

with the changes that happened during the event. Livia Garcia (IVSA Brazil) moved to approve the Final Itinerary of the 71st IVSA Congress in Brazil and was seconded.

The Chair explained that after an event the OC needs to report the final changes to the itinerary and budget to the GA and asked if there was any discussion on the motion.

There was no discussion and no objections to the motion and the final itinerary was approved.

### 21. Presentation and approval of 71st IVSA Congress in Brazil Financial Report

Livia Garcia (Brazil) presented the financial report and described the costs that were

associated with the event. She explained that one of the expenses was cutlery, but it arrived late and was not used by the delegates. The cutlery was donated to their

university. She explained the incomes from delegate fees, EXCO/Trust/Officials half fees, the reduced fees spots and from sponsors. She explained that the final budget

was €96,196.33 incoming with €96,113.08 outgoing leaving a surplus of €83.25.

Livia Garcia (IVSA Brazil) moved to approve the Final Financial Report for the 71<sup>st</sup>

IVSA Congress in Brazil and was seconded.



Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) made a point of order stating that the OC needed to propose what to do with the profits from the event.

Livia Garcia (IVSA Brazil) proposed to donate the surplus from the congress to IVSA Brazil to help support members from IVSA Brazil to attend future events.

Livia Garcia (IVSA Brazil) moved to approve the Financial Report from the 71<sup>st</sup> IVSA Congress in Brazil.

Jaklien Goossens (IVSA Belgium) asked why the costs for the speakers were €360 per delegate which seems remarkably high per person.

Livia Garcia (IVSA Brazil) explained that the OC President would need to explain this.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) explained that although the expenses were high, there were sponsors that provided funds exclusively for the speakers to attend.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) asked when referring to the speaker's expenses what is included in these costs.

The Chair explained that the expenses covered for the speakers are different for each event, but in the case of Brazil, the travel expenses, accommodation, transport, and gifts for the speakers were covered by the OC through the sponsorships.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) asked why 200 units of cutlery were ordered when the food provided during the event was sandwiches.

Livia Garcia (IVSA Brazil) explained that some meals were taken from the university restaurant and the cutlery was meant to be used for these meals.

Matteo Carnevale (IVSA Italy) made a Point of Order and reminded the GA to not address speakers.



Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) asked for the reason behind the high expenses for the OC, as 60 shirts and 100 vests were ordered. She also asked how many OC members there actually were.

Livia Garcia (IVSA Brazil) explained that there were 30 members in the OC and that they were not supposed to wear the same shirt every day; that is why 60 were ordered. The vests also needed to be washed between days, which was why they ordered more of those.

John Trajano (IVSA EXCO) asked where the 200 units of markers were when the white T-shirt party was happening as delegates had to supply their own markers.

Eva Zachova (IVSA Czech Republic) stated she took a marker home after the white t-shirt party.

Avnish Gala (IVSA India) asked why the Reduced Fee spots were charged a CF tax when they are not supposed to.

The Chair explained that the Reduced Fee spots should not be charged a CF tax, but the recipients of the Reduced Fee spots were charged the CF tax.

Konstantina Louka (IVSA Greece) stated that all events have these types of associated expenses even for the little items. She stated that we should be keeping these expenses to a minimum to help keep fees down to attend events to help make the events more accessible to members.

Gabriel Assis (IVSA Brazil) answered regarding the CF tax that they mistakenly charged the Reduced Fee spot members and are reimbursing those members.

Gabriel Assis (IVSA Brazil) explained that the cutlery was ordered a few weeks prior to the event as at that time the delegates would be having full meals according to the plan, and not sandwiches, but then it had to change, and the cutlery arrived later on.



Gabriel Assis (IVSA Brazil) explained the costs of shirts and vests. He stated that the reason for all the shirts and vests was due to a large OC and the clothes made it easier to identify the OC for delegates, speakers, and guests.

Silvia Killat (IVSA Germany) asked a point of information of what happened to the 200 markers as delegates had to purchase their own and one member was charged for a marker.

Gabriel Assis (IVSA Brazil) stated they had 200 markers for the white T-shirt party which were available during the party. He was not aware delegates had to purchase their own or that a member was charged for a marker at the party.

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) asked why there were 200 delegates bags put together when we only had 100 delegates in attendance.

Gabriel Assis (IVSA Brazil) answered that the OC ordered most of the items like cutlery and bags while not knowing the number of confirmed delegates. He added that the left-over items were used as small gifts to speakers and guests of the event.

The Chair asked for any further discussion on the approval of the Financial Report from the 71<sup>st</sup> IVSA Congress in Brazil.

The Chair stated that with the amount of discussions that took place, a card raising vote would be held and that a simple majority of 50% would be needed to approve the report.

Jaklien Goossens (IVSA Belgium) asked what would happen if the report was not approved.

The Chair explained that if it did not pass then the GA would talk about it after the vote and would come up with a resolution on what needs to be changed for it to be approved.



**Trinity Dockery (IVSA Ireland) moved to stand at ease for discussion with their MOs and buddies and was seconded. The Chair made the limit of 5 minutes to discuss the Financial Report.**

**The GA started a stand at ease at 10:16 UTC+1.**

**The Chair called the GA back to order at 10:22 UTC+1.**

The Chair stated that after the delegates were able to speak with their MOs and their buddies, the GA would be going to a vote. The Chair explained that the green card is for approving the report, red is for not approving, and white for abstaining and that each MO is entitled to 2 votes.

The Chair announced that the results of the card raising vote was a majority in favour of approving the Financial Report.

The Chair explained that a roll call vote can be asked for if the GA does not think the vote was recorded correctly.

**The Chair entertained a motion to go into recess for 15 minutes.**

**Corinna Weidner (IVSA Germany) moved and was seconded.**

**The Second meeting of the General Assembly went into recess at 10:26 for 15 minutes.**

**GA2 was called back to order at 10:50 UTC+1.**

The Chair entertained a motion to table agenda point 22. Paula Kochinke (IVSA Germany) moved to table the agenda point and was seconded.

Agenda Point 22 was tabled.





### 23. Presentation and Discussion of the Treasurer preliminary Financial Statement

John Trajano (IVSA EXCO) explained that we have 2 digital wallets to use: PayPal and Wise. John explained the different funds that IVSA has and the expenses of the DF for scholarships and the travel grant to Brazil. He also showed an income for pre-orders of merchandise for this Symposium. John then ran through the expenses that have accrued during the 2022-2023 term, including travel expenses used for this Symposium that were pre-reimbursements. He stated the income from membership fees, CF tax, and sponsors with a total income of €13,942.61 and expenses €13,289.72 with a surplus of €652.89 for the 22-23 term so far.

Distribution of Funds	Total
Central Fund	€124,334.45
Development Fund	€22,484.63
Reserve Fund	€23,789.12
<b>Total</b>	<b>€170,608.20</b>

The Chair explained there will be no motion as the preliminary report does not need approval; it just shows the GA the current financial standing. The Chair then opened the floor for questions regarding the preliminary Financial Report.

Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) asked about the committee expenses and why SCAW's expenses are so much more than other committees.

John Trajano (IVSA EXCO) answered that SCAW has a budget directly from sponsors.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) corrected that the budget is higher from leftover funds from a past term sponsorship from CEVA, and our contract with CEVA states that the funds



should be redirected to SCAW to conduct animal welfare projects. This money was left from the previous term when the pandemic was ongoing and did not allow us to conduct projects.

Zuzanna Czekaj (IVSA Poland) asked why the SCOVE budget that was approved a few days ago was not included in the preliminary Financial Report.

John Trajano (IVSA EXCO) explained that we have an agenda point regarding a revised budget for the 2022-2023 term that the approved SCOVE budget is included in.

#### 24. Revision of the Annual Budget

John Trajano (IVSA EXCO) showed the current IVSA Budget and the proposed revised budget side by side on the screen with the changes highlighted. The new budget for SCOVE shows an increase of budget from €750 to €2,035.04. The Alumni Network budget also increased to €10,000 from €5,000 and will have an additional expense of €5,000 that is labelled Slovenia Symposium that was given by VVC to sponsor the Symposium. John explained that the new expenses under webpages include the new Members Portal and website management tools for €7,000. Due to the new expenses, the total expenses increase which causes the unexpected expenses to increase as well. The total expense will go from €106,189.36 to €111,489.83 with an increase of €19,199.29 from the previous budget. John went on to explain the new incomes from sponsors will cover the new expenses for the Members Portal and website management tools. Purina Institute increased their sponsorship from €20,000 to €30,000, Purina Brand started a €5,000 sponsorship, VVC increased from



€5,000 to €15,000, and IDEXX is becoming a new sponsor with a €5,000 sponsorship.

The total income increased €30,000 from 62,926.07 to €92,926.07.

John Trajano (IVSA EXCO) moved to approve the new revised budget and was seconded.

Marta Masserdotti (IVSA Italy) asked what the €7,000 expense for the website management tools and members portal was.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) answered that in the strategic plan for IVSA, a member's portal is recommended to be created for IVSA to use with all its members to help improve the communication and growth of IVSA. He also explained that GlueUp will be assisting IVSA with website management.

Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) asked if there was a way to reduce the fees needed for the members' portal and website management.

John Trajano (IVSA EXCO) stated that it is budgeted for €7,000 and we have built in a buffer for the increased expense as we decided it would be best to leave this project to the professionals.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) moved to table the agenda point until after we speak on the members portal and was seconded. There was no discussion and no objections.

Agenda Point 23 was tabled until after point 22 has been discussed.

The Chair entertained a motion to untable agenda point 22.

Jacopo Filippini (IVSA Italy) moved to untable point 22 and was seconded. There were no objections and point 22 was untabled.



## 22. Members Portal Presentation-

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) gave a presentation on the Members Portal that explained the benefits to IVSA and its MOs. Yuri stressed the importance of the creation of a Members Portal, as it is part of the IVSA 5-year strategic plan, and the project involves collaboration with all members of EXCO. The expenses required for the Members Portal are covered by the updated sponsorship totals from IVSA Global sponsors. Yuri also explained it would ease communication with MOs and provide more opportunities to members. The Portal will additionally allow for easier invoicing and payment of membership fees of the MOs.

Lauren Wienker (IVSA USA) had a point of information asking if Stripe was available for paying the membership fees of Local Chapters.

John Trajano (IVSA EXCO) stated Local Chapters no longer pay membership fees and only the national MOs pay membership fees.

Marta Masserdotti (IVSA Italy) asked if the portal would be the main form of communication because planning events is already difficult, and having overlapping modes of communication through Instagram, chats, emails, and Facebook would make it more complicated.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) replied that the fees would not change between using the new portal or Stripe to pay the membership fees.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) responded that we would continue to use communication across all social media platforms to advertise opportunities as well as inside the portal. MOs would still receive the information in their emails as well. He explained that the chat options within the portal are only between members: if you meet a



member at an event, you can see who was in attendance and can chat with specific members if they allow you to.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) asked if it was possible to make private communities for their own MOs or Local Chapters, or for their own planning of events.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) explained that for each planned event, the costs increase, and this would cause an increase in the budget from €7,000 to over €100,000. He added that they would not be able to have their own community, but they would be included in the planned communities to create groups for their MOs inside their regions.

Florencia Villavicencio (IVSA Peru) asked if inactive chapters that are not present at the Symposium would be involved with or informed about the portal.

Konstantina Louka (IVSA Greece) asked how the Portal will be managed in terms of how contact with the Officials will be managed to facilitate the formation of the Portal and guidelines on using the Portal.

Lauren Wienker (IVSA USA) asked for clarification on how the groups would be managed and if they could be broken down into groups for local chapters or just for the MO.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) explained that terminated MOs have no relationship with IVSA and would not be informed, but inactive MOs would be informed and moved to active status upon paying their membership fees. As this will be posted on our social media, all members and MOs would be informed through the same channels.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) stated that admin privileges would be custom made and that GlueUp would host meetings with Officials every few months to help explain how the



portal works and to create manuals to help members understand how to use the portal.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) replied that the groups are chat groups, but the place where members can post is within the communities and that there would be a community for each committee, network, region and an IVSA Global community for all members.

Matthias Grembler (IVSA Germany) asked if it was possible to open a chat group for MOs or for Local Chapters as it would help improve communication.

Giulia Andreoni (IVSA Italy) asked how we would check who signs up on the website.

Matteo Carnevale (IVSA Italy) asked if the portal would be used to calculate the membership fees and if all members of each member organisation would be required to sign up.

Anastasia Vialov (IVSA UK) asked if members would automatically be added into the communities or if members can select which communities they join.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) explained that creating chat groups for local chapters is possible, as there are custom admin rights in the portal that would allow Presidents of national boards to ensure their members are in the proper groups.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) stated that the process of applying to become an MO will remain the same and if you are already an active MO you just need to pay the membership fees as normal. He explained that MOs would be able to receive an invoice through their emails or by generating one through the portal.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) then answered that yes, members would be automatically assigned into communities depending on their answers given in the sign-up process.

Giulia Andreoni (IVSA Italy) asked how we would be able to ensure that new sign-ups are actually a member of IVSA.



Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) replied that the MO and local chapter would verify the person signing up is a member.

Zuzanna Czekaj (IVSA Poland) asked if an MO could change the details for who would oversee generating an invoice.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) stated nothing would change and it would still be issued to National MO email. Only they would be able to choose how they would like to pay their membership fees.

Konstantina Louka (IVSA Greece) asked if the sponsors and partners would have access to the portal and be able see what members are doing. She also had a concern that all the other social media would start to have lower engagement with the focus moving to the new portal.

Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) moved to table this agenda point until the next session of GA and was seconded.

There were no objections and agenda point 22. was tabled until the next session of the GA.

The Chair entertained a motion to go into recess.

Konstantina Louka (IVSA Greece) moved and was seconded. There were no objections to going into recess.

**The second session of the General Assembly went into recess at 12:17 UTC+1.**



## *Minutes of the Third General Assembly*

The Third session of the General Assembly was called to order at 16:44 UTC+1 on January 8, 2023.

### 40. Roll Call

National Member Organisation	General Assembly Status (Present-P/Absent-A)
IVSA Algeria	P
IVSA Belgium	P
IVSA Brazil	P
IVSA Croatia	P
IVSA Czech Republic	P
IVSA Denmark	P
IVSA Germany	P
IVSA Greece	P
IVSA India	P
IVSA Indonesia	P
<b>IVSA Ireland</b>	P
IVSA Italy	P
IVSA Morocco	P
IVSA Norway	P
IVSA Perú	P
IVSA Poland	P
IVSA Serbia	P
IVSA Slovenia	P
IVSA South Korea	P
IVSA Switzerland	P
IVSA Taiwan	P
IVSA Thailand	P
IVSA The Netherlands	P
IVSA UK	P
IVSA USA	P
<b>Quorum</b>	<b>45.28%</b>

### 41. Nominations for President position (2023-2024)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the President position.





Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) nominated Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) and she accepted the nomination.

There were no more nominations and nominations were closed.

#### 42. Nominations for MENA Regional Representative position (2023)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the position of MENA Regional Representative.

There were no nominations and nominations were closed.

#### 43. Nominations for Secretariat position (2023)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the Secretariat position.

Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) was nominated by Stella Kovacic (IVSA Croatia), and she accepted the nomination.

There were no more nominations and nominations were closed.

#### 44. Nominations for 73rd IVSA Congress (1.5 years away)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the 73<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Congress.

There were no nominations and nominations were closed.

#### 45. Nominations for 73rd IVSA Symposium (2 years away)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the 73<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Symposium.

Stella Kovacic (IVSA Croatia) nominated IVSA Morocco to host the 73<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Congress, Nabil el Habib (IVSA Morocco) accepted the nomination.

There were no more nominations, and the Chair notified the GA that nominations would remain open until the 72<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Congress in Denmark.

#### 46. Network Update: Alumni Presentation

Laura Lomellini (IVSA Alumni) gave a presentation with updates on the Alumni Network (AN). She explained that IVSA members are automatically considered

alumni upon completion of their veterinary degree. She introduced the alumni team



and the projects that are going on within the AN. Laura finally explained the long-term plans of the AN for 2023.

#### 47. Presentation on the 72nd IVSA Symposium in Indonesia

Elis Sulistiyawati (IVSA Indonesia) held a presentation on the 72nd IVSA Symposium going over the itinerary summary of events. They stated that the maximum number of delegates is set at 150 and the maximum fee is €380, not including CF tax. She went on to explain the budget of the event, going over income and expenses.

The Chair opened the floor for questions.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) asked how many sponsors there are expected to be for the Symposium.

Elis Sulistiyawati (IVSA Indonesia) answered that their main sponsor is the Indonesia Veterinary Association and other sponsors will be confirmed by the congress in Denmark.

Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) asked what the total fee would be with the CF tax included.

The Chair answered the question that the CF tax is 8% of the fee and the total fee would be €410.40.

Jaklien Goossens (IVSA Belgium) asked if there was an alumni event planned during the event.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) replied that the alumni event depends on the alumni network to organise, not the OC.

Konstantina Louka (IVSA Greece) asked what criteria was used to select the accommodation and transportation, as it looked nice and wondered if there was a way to lower the fee with cheaper options.



Elis Sulistiyawati (IVSA Indonesia) answered that they plan to use the city buses for transportation.

Maulida Salsabila (IVSA EXCO) helped answer the previous speaker's question on accommodation and transportation. The OC chose the accommodation with a criteria of distance to GA hall and are choosing options that are nearby. She explained that in Bali, nothing is close together and delegates will have to travel with the minibus and the price shown in the budget is the average price from their research in transport around Bali. She added that the roads in Bali are narrow and large buses would therefore not be able to manoeuvre easily to get around. The OC is trying to get the accommodation hosting the event to sponsor the event by lowering the costs. The secondary plan is to look for cheaper accommodation that is close to the venues.

Matthias Grembler (IVSA Germany) asked if the OC thinks if one bus is enough to shuttle the delegates back and forth between the accommodation and GA.

Maulida Salsabila (IVSA EXCO) stated they are planning on renting 9 buses to prevent the delegates from waiting on everyone to arrive.

#### 48. Voting on the maximum fee for 72nd IVSA Symposium in Indonesia

Elis Sulistiyawati (IVSA Indonesia) motioned the maximum fee for the Symposium to be set at €380 not including CF tax and the motion was seconded.

Trinity Dockery (IVSA Ireland) stated that on the budget, they rented 2 pick-up trucks and asked what they would be used for.

The Chair informed the delegate that the question was out of order as it was under the incorrect agenda point.

Konstantina Louka (IVSA Greece) asked if the event would be viable without the sponsorships and partnerships by a 20 or 30 euro higher fee.



Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) mentioned that the budget showed there was a negative balance and that the fee can still be lowered but is being set at €380 to be on the safe side.

Konstantina Louka (IVSA Greece) stated that there were extra fees for participants with how the fee was paid in Brazil and asked if there would be options that would not cause extra fees.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) explained that with international events and payments, there are always fees unless you decide to pay in cash.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) asked if there was a way to lower the cost of formal dinner to help lower the costs of the symposium fee, and if a cheaper venue and dinner was an option.

Maulida Salsabila (IVSA EXCO) replied that the max fee is to allow the OC to have some flexibility and will be followed up by EXCO to ensure there is a solid budget before lowering the fee.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) added that EXCO will go through the budget with the OC as they are currently 6k in the negative to help ensure the budget will be fixed and the fee can hopefully be lowered.

The Chair asked if there were any objections to setting the max fee at €380.

There were no objections and the max fee for the 72<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Symposium in Indonesia was set at €380.

#### 49. Presentation on the 72nd IVSA Congress in Denmark

Nicoline de la Cour (IVSA Denmark) and Malou Diemer-Nezer (IVSA Denmark) gave a presentation regarding the 72nd IVSA Congress in Denmark. They showed and explained the accommodations, budget, and itinerary for the event. Nicoline showed



the income and expenses for the congress and explained a post congress event would be dependent on the budget from the congress.

The Chair opened the floor for questions from delegates.

Nabil el Habib (IVSA Morocco) asked what 'sponsor spot' meant on the itinerary.

Nicoline de la Cour (IVSA Denmark) replied that the spot was left open for a sponsor to be able to use to speak to the delegates about their company.

Jaklien Goossens (IVSA Belgium) asked if there was any information about post congress.

Nicoline de la Cour (IVSA Denmark) explained that the possibility of a post congress event was dependent on the budget from the congress.

The Chair entertained a motion to untable the Members Portal presentation.

Martina Gavezzoli (IVSA Italy) moved to untable agenda point 22 and was seconded.

There were no objections and agenda point 22 was untabled.

## 22. Members Portal Presentation

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) opened the floor for questions from the delegates on the Members Portal.

Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) stated he had 4 questions regarding how we are going to proceed with the Members Portal: 1) Who is going to oversee communication with the company to ensure we have what we need, 2) Will members have more than 1 term to get used to it, 3) Will we have new bylaws about the information regarding members and sponsor on the portal and who will have access to the information of the members, 4) Will it be mandatory for MOs to join the portal and will we need



bylaws regarding this, 5) Will there be a need for a new Official position to maintain the portal.

The Chair reminded delegates that members' speaking time is limited to 2 minutes.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) stated that communication with the company and the transition period is being managed by PRC and the relative EXCO positions. The main parts will be taken care of by MOD and PRC, and the financial side by the Treasurer.

The maintenance of the portal would be coordinated by GlueUp.

Yuri added that the changes to the website will be finished by April and the portal will be set up by August, so the next President-Elect will be ready to take over and run the portal.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) answered regarding the privacy concerns that the company follows the European privacy protection laws (GDPR), and members' information would be available to National MOs and local chapter leaders only.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) stated that MOs would be required to join as they will all be automatically added into the portal. GlueUp would also oversee the maintenance and security of the portal, as they have the knowledge and information on how to maintain it.

Maulida Salsabila (IVSA EXCO) repeated the question from the previous GA regarding how the Members Portal would affect engagement of the other social media platforms. She answered that there would be a possibility the engagement would decrease, but it would be insignificant. She also replied that registration would take place inside the portal, which would eliminate the screening process. She would explain this more in the PR network update.



Mehdi Amrani (IVSA Morocco) asked if there have been any interactions or communications with sponsors/partners and what their opinions were on moving forward with the portal.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) answered that there have been communications with the sponsors to move forward with the portal. He stated that Purina Institute felt the portal was a great idea and increased their sponsorship to help pay for the portal. He explained that all the sponsors and partners the portal was explained to only had positive feedback on the portal.

Maulida Salsabila (IVSA EXCO) stated updates on the Members Portal will be discussed in future EXCO meetings.

The Chair entertained a motion to untable the agenda point 24 on the revision of the Annual Budget.

Trinity Dockery (IVSA Ireland) moved and was seconded.

Agenda Point 24 was untabled.

#### 24. Revision of the Annual Budget

John Trajano (IVSA EXCO) moved to approve the revision of the Annual Budget for 2022-2023 and was seconded.

There were no objections and the revision of the Annual Budget for 2022-2023 was approved.

The Chair entertained a motion to go into a 20-minute recess.

Felix Metzger (IVSA Germany) moved and was seconded.



**The GA went into a 20-minute recess at 15:07 UTC+1.**

**The GA was called back to order at 15:36 UTC+1.**

#### 50. Continue with Agenda from GA 1 Onwards

The Chair entertained a motion to untable agenda point 18 on the bylaw amendment regarding GA Attendance.

Grete Kristiansen (IVSA Norway) moved and was seconded. Agenda point 18 was untabled.

#### 18. Bylaw Amendment 4 - Officials GA Attendance

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) motioned to approve the bylaw amendment on Officials GA Attendance and was seconded. He explained that the reason for this amendment is to increase transparency with the Officials, as the fees paid by members are used to support Officials at the events and, as we are all students, the least we can do as Officials is to be present during the GAs.

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) moved to strike out point 1 and reword the point. She was seconded.

Jaklien Goossens (IVSA Belgium) asked to make the amendment larger on the screen.

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) stated that before the change, it was not clear if the bylaw pertained to all Officials or just the attending Officials and the rewording of the amendment was to make it clearer in the bylaws.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) asked if the bylaw amendment would change how much Officials are reimbursed.

The Chair explained it does not change how much the Officials are reimbursed.

There were no objections to the amendment to the amendment and the amendment to the amendment was passed.





The Chair stated we moved back to the original motion to approve the bylaw amendment regarding reimbursement criteria for Officials.

Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) stated that Officials should be obligated to attend the GA unless there is an official excuse; it can be difficult to verify if the excuse is a valid reason to not be in attendance.

Lauren Wienker (IVSA USA) said that we should trust the Officials, as we are all adults.

Florencia Villavicencio (IVSA Peru) stated that since we are all different people, we are all our own experts on our own health. If an excuse was needed the Official should not have to attend.

Konstantina Louka (IVSA Greece) stated she thinks this addition is important for transparency between the Officials and the GA. It allows delegates to stay informed if an Official is not in attendance at the GA because they did not want to show up.

Tamy Negrón (IVSA Peru) stated that Officials attending IVSA events have more responsibilities; they have many other countries that depend on them to do the work and that is their responsibility.

Matteo Carnevale (IVSA Italy) gave a friendly reminder to not address members directly and only address the Chair.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) answered to the comments from previous speakers. This is a measure of transparency; if someone says they are sick, we will not be doubting they are sick, but it is the responsibility of Officials to inform delegates on what is happening internally in IVSA.



Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) agreed that we are here as volunteers: we are working and being responsible for the event. She added that Officials are reimbursed for their travel to events and should be held accountable for what they are doing.

The Chair asked if there were any objections to approving the bylaw amendment on Officials GA Attendance.

Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) asked for a card raising vote.

Mehdi Amrani (IVSA Morocco) moved to stand at ease for 2 minutes and there were no objections to going into a stand at ease.

**The GA went into a stand at ease at 15:53 UTC+1.**

**The GA was called back to order at 16:01 UTC+1.**

The Chair summarised the bylaw amendment.

A card raising vote was conducted and the results were more than 75% of the GA voted to approve the bylaw amendment.

The bylaw amendment on Officials GA Attendance was approved.

The Chair entertained a motion to untable agenda point 19, the bylaw amendment on Other International Events.

Ioannis Onoufriou (IVSA Greece) moved and was seconded. There were no objections and agenda point 19 was untabled.

#### 19. Bylaw Amendment 5 - Other International Events

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) motioned to approve the proposed bylaw amendment for Other International Events. The motion was seconded.

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) explained the reason for the change: previously, we did not have a clear definition of international events in the bylaws and when the pandemic



happened, everything moved online. A lot of these online events were international events and members were not aware they needed to be approved by EXCO for this, so some of the events had to be cancelled to stay in line with the bylaws.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) moved to stand at ease for 1 minute and was seconded. There were no objections.

**The GA entered a stand at ease at 16:09 UTC+1.**

**The GA was called back to order at 16:10 UTC+1.**

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) moved to amend the amendment by changing the term “attended by people” to “open to members” and strike out “other” and was seconded.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) explained that the wording was different from the other section and the change would make it clearer to ensure it was not open to different interpretations.

Trinity Dockery (IVSA Ireland) moved to amend the amendment to the amendment to state “more than 1 MO to attend”. She explained that when “attended” was taken out, it also took out the verb to correct the grammar.

Matteo Carnevale (IVSA Italy) mentioned that in order for an event to be an international event, it does not need to be attended by different MOs, just open to other MOs.

James Caligiuri (IVSA EXCO) made a parliamentary inquiry to ask if an amendment to the amendment must be accepted by the member that proposed the amendment to follow Robert's Rules of Order.

Matteo Carnevale (IVSA Italy) replied that he did not have an answer for that and would need to consult Robert's Rules of Order.



The Chair entertained a motion to stand at ease for 2 minutes.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) moved and was seconded.

**The GA went into a stand at ease at 16:18 UTC+1.**

**The GA was called back to order at 16:20 UTC+1.**

Matteo Carnevale (IVSA Italy) explained that Robert's Rules of Order states that a friendly amendment must be accepted in the same way as a normal amendment, but this is up to the organisation and IVSA has elected to not require approval of friendly amendments.

The amendment was approved with no objections.

The Chair entertained a motion to untable agenda point 25.5. Public Relations Officer Update.

James Caligiuri (IVSA EXCO) made a point of order and stated that agenda point 25.5. was not tabled and is the next agenda point of the meeting.

#### 25.5. Public Relations Officer Update

Maulida Salsabila (IVSA EXCO) gave a presentation on the updates for the PR Network. She introduced her team and explained the duties of the PRC. The PRC collaborates with all members of EXCO on updating the appearance of IVSA and our publications. She explained they managed to change the social media template appearance from dark to a lighter colour. The PR team has a PR manual for members in the PRC position to help them better understand the responsibilities and duties of the PRC. The title of the next IVSA Journal is 'Creative Collaborative: Improving Veterinary Education in All Areas pt 2'. She explained that the management of the IVSA website will now be taken care of by GlueUp. Salsa finally explained that there is an updated design for the IVSA business cards and for the Official's shirts.



## 25.6 Member Organisation Director and Regional Representatives Update

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) gave a brief presentation on the updates from the MOD

team and the Regions of IVSA. She explained that the MOD team created a new membership declaration form to help prevent people from faking the form. There is a new database that contains all the MOs of IVSA including local chapters. She explained that there is an EO Handbook in the making that will be shared with EOs to help improve IVSA EOs. The bulletin mailing list is now available for sign up.

The MOD team has improved communication within the regions of IVSA. She went on to explain that Asia is conducting an online regional symposium in April and an AMR event. The Americas is conducting an online regional symposium and has translation opportunities for students that speak Portuguese and Spanish. Europe will be hosting a Live regional symposium on the 4th-6th of May in Turin, Italy and IVSA Spain and IVSA Romania MOs have been reactivated. The MENA region will host an online symposium and is in the process reactivating MOs. The SSA region will be hosting an online regional symposium later this year. She then stated that the European Regional Symposium has not been approved yet.

The Chair entertained a motion to go into Recess.

Maja Eine (IVSA Norway) moved and was seconded. There were no objections.

**The 3<sup>rd</sup> Session of the General Assembly went into recess at 16:38 UTC +1.**



## *Minutes of the Fourth General Assembly.*

The fourth session of the general assembly was called to order at 08:27 UTC+1 on January 9, 2023

### 51. Roll Call-

National Member Organisations	General Assembly Status (Present-P/Absent-A)
IVSA Algeria	P
IVSA Belgium	P
IVSA Brazil	P
IVSA Croatia	P
IVSA Czech Republic	P
IVSA Denmark	P
IVSA Germany	P
IVSA Greece	P
IVSA India	P
IVSA Indonesia	P
<b>IVSA Ireland</b>	P
IVSA Italy	P
IVSA Morocco	P
IVSA Norway	P
IVSA Perú	P
IVSA Poland	P
IVSA Serbia	A
IVSA Slovenia	P
IVSA South Korea	P
IVSA Switzerland	P
IVSA Taiwan	P
IVSA Thailand	P
IVSA The Netherlands	P
IVSA UK	P
IVSA USA	P
<b>Quorum</b>	<b>45.28%</b>



## 52. Nominations for 73rd IVSA Symposium (2 years away)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the host of the 73<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Symposium.

There were no nominations and nominations were closed.

The Chair informed the GA that nominations would remain open until the 72<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Congress in Denmark.

## 53. Presentation of The Election Committee and Test Election

Karina Khatic (IVSA EXCO) of the election committee gave a brief presentation on the election procedures and how delegates will cast their votes. The Election Committee ran a test election to demonstrate how the voting software works.

The Chair entertained a motion to stand at ease for 20 minutes.

Trinity Dockery (IVSA Ireland) moved and was seconded.

**The GA went into a stand at ease at 08:34 UTC+1.**

**The GA was called back to order at 08:56 UTC+1.**

## 54. Presentation of The Nominees for President Position (2023-2024)

Karina Khatic (IVSA EXCO) presented the list of nominees as below:

Nominee	MO	Position	Accepted by	Nominator	MO
Vanda Ducic	IVSA EXCO	President	Vanda Ducic	Susanna Salvatori	IVSA Italy

## 55. Presentation of the Nominees for MENA Regional Representative Position (2023)

Karina Khatic (IVSA EXCO) presented the list of nominees as below:

Nominee	MO	Position	Accepted by	Nominator	MO
Mohammed Mosaad	IVSA Egypt	MENA RR	Avnish Gala	Tamy Negron	IVSA Peru
Afaf Charaf	IVSA Morocco	MENA RR	Taha Rahmani	Nabil el Habib	IVSA Morocco

## 56. Presentation of the Nominees for Secretariat Position (2023)

Karina Khatic (IVSA EXCO) presented the list of nominees as below:



Nominee	MO	Position	Accepted by	Nominator	MO
Stella Kovacic	IVSA Croatia	Secretariat	Stella Kovacic	Taha Rahmani	IVSA Morocco

## 57. Presentation of the Nominees for 73rd IVSA Congress (2024)

Karina Khatic (IVSA EXCO) presented the list of nominees as below:

Nominee	MO	Position	Accepted by	Nominator	MO
IVSA Peru	IVSA Peru	Congress 2024	-	-	-

The Chair entertained a motion to go into recess for 20 minutes.

Tara Cesnik (IVSA Slovenia) moved and was seconded.

**The GA went into recess at 09:55 UTC+1.**

**The GA was called back to order at 10:20 UTC+1.**

## 58. Continue with Agenda from GA 1 Onwards

### 25.8. Secretary General Update

James Caligiuri (IVSA EXCO) gave a brief presentation on the updates of the SG position. He informed the GA that Secretariat Arthur Cobayashi (IVSA Brazil) resigned from his position. He showed the friendly amendments that were made to the IVSA Bylaws to correct numbering issues and stated that the SG now oversees all the taskforces as the EXCO point of contact.

### 25.9. IVSA DEI Taskforce Update

#### 25.9.1. Vet Students for Ukraine Taskforce Update

#### 25.9.2. Responsible Advocacy and Inclusive Dialogue Update

James Caligiuri (IVSA EXCO) gave a presentation on the updates of the DEI taskforce

and stated a new Chair has been appointed for the taskforce. He then stated that the





Vet Students for Ukraine Taskforce and the Responsible Advocacy and Inclusive Dialogue project have been moved into the DEI Taskforce.

#### 25.10. IVSA OC Manual Taskforce Update

James Caligiuri (IVSA EXCO) played a video presentation from the Chair of the OC Manual Taskforce, Ania Cieckiewicz (IVSA Poland), to give an update on the progress of the OC Manual. They stated the OC Manual is in the final stages of editing and will be published soon.

#### 25.11. IVSA History Project

Mehdi Amrani (IVSA Morocco) gave a brief update on the IVSA History Project.

#### 25.12. Committee Coordinator Update

Karina Khatic (IVSA EXCO) gave a brief presentation regarding the changes and updates to the structure and organisation of the Committee Coordinator position. She stated that all committees and networks now have an External Relations Manager, the ambassador's program will now run from December through June, and other team positions have been added to the committees where they were needed.

#### 25.13. Committee Updates

##### 25.13.1. Standing Committee on Animal Welfare Update

Karina Khatic (IVSA EXCO) gave the update of SCAW by introducing the team and describing the current projects. She then explained about the partnership with CEVA, and the availability of their animal welfare grants to fund the welfare projects of MOs.

##### 25.13.2. Standing Committee on One Health Update

Marta Masserdotti (IVSA Italy) from the SCOH team gave a brief update regarding the work they have been completing and been a part of so far in the term including: World Rabies Day, Ambassador selection, One Health Day, Global AMR Youth Summit, WAAW Video Challenge, International Animal and



Human Rights Day, and Universal Health Coverage Day. She described the ongoing projects, opportunities, and future plans within SCOH.

#### 25.13.3. Standing Committee on Veterinary Education Update

Zuzanna Czekaj (IVSA Poland), the chair of the SCOVE, gave a brief update on SCOVE. She described the ongoing projects and opportunities available within SCOVE. Some of the projects being conducted and opportunities available by SCOVE are the SCOVE ambassador program, essay competitions, a pharmacology course, fact cards, EDU+ website, and VetTalks. Upcoming projects from SCOVE include: a neurodiversity project, SCOVE Chart of the month, a video and quiz on nutrition from Royal Canin, a veterinary profession podcast with SCOCA, and a social media event with SCOCA.

#### 25.13.4. Standing Committee on Wellness Update

Konstantina Louka (IVSA Greece), the chair of the SCOW, gave an update on the work of her committee. She described the previously completed projects as well as the new upcoming and ongoing projects within SCOW. The previous projects completed by SCOW are the Wellness Ambassador program, Identifying and Dealing with Stress, a vet recipe book, and articles for the wellness toolkit. Upcoming projects include Neurodiversity in Veterinary Medical Education and Practice: The ADHD Project, Solidarity Week, Wellness Week, a workshop during the European Regional Symposium, and collaborations with other committees and networks.

#### 25.13.5. Standing Committee on Career Attributes Update

Karina Khatic (IVSA EXCO) conducted a brief update on SCOCA. She described the upcoming events, and that SCOCA would like to bring back the Get Skilled



2.0 workshop to help improve career attributes. This is currently in the planning stage.

The Chair entertained a motion to stand at ease for 4 minutes.

Marta Masserdotti (IVSA Italy) moved and was seconded. There were no objections.

**The GA went into a stand at ease at 11:12 UTC+1.**

**The GA was called back to order at 11:16 UTC+1.**

Trinity Dockery (IVSA Ireland) motioned to go into recess and was seconded.

**The GA went into recess 11:18 UTC+1.**

**The Chair called the GA back to order at 11:34 UTC+1.**

## 25.14. Networks Updates

### 25.14.1. Equine Network Update

Anastasia Vialov (IVSA UK), the chair of the Equine Network, gave a brief update on and introduction to the Equine Network. She explained the process to join the Equine Network, the monthly themes, and newsletters.

Taha Rahmani (Morocco) added that there is a QR code in the delegates chat that links to the Equine Network social media pages for more information and to stay updated.

### 25.14.2. Wild and Exotic Network Update

Laura Rodman (IVSA Croatia), Chair of the Wild and Exotic Network, gave a brief update on the Wild and Exotic Animals Network. She explained the plans for the Wild and Exotic Network in the future and the ongoing/future projects of the network. Previous projects include animal superpowers, and species spotlights. Upcoming projects include webinars, an online conference,



workshops, intern/externships, and collaborations with other committees and networks.

## 26. Approval on Officials Report

The Chair entertained a motion to approve the Officials Reports.

Giulia Andreoni (IVSA Italy) moved and was seconded. There were no objections to approving the officials' reports and they were approved.

The Chair entertained a motion to go into recess.

Ayoub Chfar (IVSA Morocco) moved and was seconded. There were no objections to going into recess.

**The fourth session of the general assembly went into recess at 11:44 UTC+1.**



## *Minutes of the Fifth General Assembly.*

The fifth session of the GA was called to order at 14:28 UTC+1 on January 9, 2023.

### 59. Roll Call

National Member Organisations	General Assembly Status (Present-P/Absent-A)
IVSA Algeria	P
IVSA Belgium	P
IVSA Brazil	P
IVSA Croatia	P
IVSA Czech Republic	P
IVSA Denmark	P
IVSA Germany	P
IVSA Greece	P
IVSA India	P
IVSA Indonesia	P
<b>IVSA Ireland</b>	P
IVSA Italy	P
IVSA Morocco	P
IVSA Norway	P
IVSA Perú	P
IVSA Poland	P
IVSA Serbia	P
IVSA Slovenia	P
IVSA South Korea	P
IVSA Switzerland	P
IVSA Taiwan	P
IVSA Thailand	P
IVSA The Netherlands	P
IVSA UK	P
IVSA USA	P
<b>Quorum</b>	<b>47.17%</b>

### 60. Nominations for 73rd IVSA Symposium (2 years away)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations to host the 73<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Symposium.

There were no nominations and nominations were closed.



The Chair informed the delegates that nominations would remain open until the 72<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Congress in Denmark.

#### 61. Purina Institute Presentation

Daniel Rose from Purina Institute gave a presentation to the GA about Purina Institute and CentreSquare.

The Chair entertained a motion to go into a 20-minute recess.

Marta Masserdotti (IVSA Italy) moved and was seconded.

**The GA went into recess at 15:18 UTC+1.**

**The GA was called back to order at 16:15 UTC+1.**

#### 62. Continue with Agenda from GA 1 Onwards

#### 27. Updates On Attended Events

##### 27.1. WSAVA Congress Report

Ellison Browne (IVSA EXCO) gave a brief report on his experience while attending the WSAVA Congress in Peru. He explained that while attending the event, they were able to meet with many sponsors and potential new sponsors. He also explained that IVSA signed a contract with Purina while in attendance at the event.

Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) asked about the meeting with WSAVA regarding future projects and what these future projects are.

Ellison Browne (IVSA EXCO) answered that it was about a leadership forum in the Asia region and a way to get that project started.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) stated that beside the leadership forum, during the meeting, we found a way to expand the WSAVA mentor program and to finalise the WSAVA volunteer program for the next Congress in Portugal.



Trinity Dockery (IVSA Ireland) asked if the speaker could expand upon the volunteer program.

The Chair responded that the volunteer program would be the next agenda point.

#### 27.2. WSAVA Congress Volunteer Program Report

A presentation recorded by Ania Cieckiewicz (IVSA Poland), the volunteer coordinator for the WSAVA Congress, was shown. She explained her attendance at the event, including what the volunteers did and how they were able to assist WSAVA with their congress.

#### 27.3. AVMA Convention Report

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) stated that he attended the AVMA congress and that it took place in the past term but happened the day after the IVSA Congress in Brazil. He explained that it was the first time IVSA was invited to the AVMA congress and while there he met with SAVMA, IDEXX, AVA, CVMA, CVA, and WVA.

#### 27.4. FVE General Assembly Report

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) said that he attended the FVE GA in Malta with the MOD/VP, Vanda, back in November. While there, they gave presentations on IVSA's educational activities to EVERI. These consist of the research from SCOVE, and of IVSA's activities on One Health and animal welfare. Yuri and Vanda attended meetings with EVERI and UEVH regarding committee collaborations and discussed funding opportunities. He described having meetings with CVMA, Kosovo VA, Albanian students, and WOA. They discussed with FECAVA and FVE regarding the IVC Evidensia - FECAVA scholarship.



Marta Masserdotti (IVSA Italy) asked if there would be funding for exchanges made available to European students.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) explained that we are still discussing how to fund individual exchanges for European students, and it is an ongoing project.

Marta Masserdotti (IVSA Italy) asked if it was just inside of Europe or anywhere in the world.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) replied that the only criteria so far is that the student is from/studying in Europe and could go anywhere in the world on the exchange, but it has not been further defined yet.

#### 27.5. FECAVA General Assembly Report

Matteo Carnevale (IVSA Italy) stated that he attended the FECAVA Council meeting and AFVAC Congress. While there, he discussed with FECAVA about moving from a global partner to a sponsor of the European region, as they are a European federation. As FECAVA is collaborating with SCOW, the Chair, Konstantina Louka (IVSA Greece), was also invited to attend the event.

Konstantina presented IVSA projects during the meeting of the Mental Health and Wellbeing working group, while Matteo attended the meeting of the Scholarships and Awards working group. AFVAC hosted the FECAVA Council meeting during their congress which allowed Matteo and Konstantina to attend the congress during their free time to engage with other veterinary professionals, companies, and other associations.

#### 27.6. EAEVE Meeting Report

A recorded presentation from Ania Ciekiewicz (IVSA Poland) on the EAEVE meeting was shown. She described the event and mentioned that there were 3 IVSA members present at the event. While there, they met with EAEVE and





ENQA. Ania was also invited to participate in interviews on an ENQA panel and had 2 meetings. In the first meeting, they were there to evaluate EAEVE as students involved in EAEVE projects. During the second meeting, they attended as an EAEVE partner and to answer questions on our collaboration with other organisations.

### 27.7. 3rd HLMC on AMR Report

Hajar Saidi (EXCO) explained that she attended the High-Level Ministerial Conference on AMR in Oman. She attended as an IVSA Representative alongside other youth representatives from IFMSA and IPSF and was supported by UNEP. The youth representatives were able to let global leaders hear their voice as they asked them to engage the youth more in the fight against AMR.

The Chair entertained a motion to untable agenda point 7.

Jacopo Filippini (IVSA Italy) moved and was seconded. There were no objections and agenda point 7 was untabled.

## 7. Election of the Report Card Auditors

Matthias Grembler (IVSA Germany) nominated Tara Cesnik (IVSA Slovenia) and she accepted the nomination.

There were no other nominations.

There were no objections and Tara Cesnik (IVSA Slovenia) was elected as the report card auditor without a vote.

The Chair entertained a motion to go into recess.

Marta Masserdotti (IVSA Italy) moved and was seconded.

**The Fifth session of the General Assembly went into recess at 16:56 UTC+1.**



## *Minutes of the Sixth General Assembly.*

The sixth session of the GA was called to order at 15:44 UTC+1 on January 11, 2023.

### 63. Roll Call

National Member Organisations	General Assembly Status (Present-P/Absent-A)
IVSA Algeria	P
IVSA Belgium	P
IVSA Brazil	P
IVSA Croatia	P
IVSA Czech Republic	P
IVSA Denmark	P
IVSA Germany	P
IVSA Greece	P
IVSA India	P
IVSA Indonesia	P
IVSA Ireland	P
IVSA Italy	P
IVSA Morocco	P
IVSA Norway	P
IVSA Perú	P
IVSA Poland	P
IVSA Serbia	P
IVSA Slovenia	P
IVSA South Korea	P
IVSA Switzerland	P
IVSA Taiwan	P
IVSA Thailand	P
IVSA The Netherlands	P
IVSA UK	P
IVSA USA	P
<b>Quorum</b>	<b>47.17%</b>

### 64. Nominations for 73rd IVSA Symposium (2 years away)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the host of the 73<sup>rd</sup> IVSA

Symposium.



Silvia Killat (IVSA Germany) nominated IVSA Ireland.

Trinity Dockery (IVSA Ireland) accepted on behalf of IVSA Ireland.

There were no more nominations and nominations were closed.

The Chair reminded the delegates that nominations would remain open until the

72<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Congress in Denmark.

#### 65. Introduction of the Election Procedures

Karina Khatic (IVSA EXCO) reminded the delegates of the procedures for elections that were described in the previous GAs. She explained that the email with the link for the elections is being sent out and the elections would be open for 30 minutes.

#### 66. Elections

Elections were held electronically for the positions that were not elected without a vote.

#### 67. WSAVA Presentation

The WSAVA representative gave a presentation to the delegates about the association, their structure including committees, guidelines, and about the WSAVA academy.

Maulida Salsabila (IVSA EXCO) moved to stand at ease for 2 minutes and was seconded. There were no objections.

**The GA went into a stand at ease at 16:14 UTC+1.**

**The GA was called back to order at 16:17 UTC+1.**

#### 68. Partner Presentation- WOA H

The WOA H representative gave a brief presentation about the association.

The Chair entertained a motion to go into recess for 15 minutes.

Siraya Karapanon (IVSA Thailand) moved and was seconded.

**The GA went into recess at 16:58 UTC+1.**

**The Chair called the GA back to order at 17:18 UTC+1.**



## 69. FVE Presentation (Online)

A recorded presentation from FVE was played for the delegates in the GA about Veterinary Sustainability.

## 70. Continue with Agenda from GA 1 Onwards

We continued with the Agenda of GA1 Onwards with point 28. Election Results.

## 28. Election Results

Karina (EXCO) presented the results of the voting for the elections of President, MENA RR and Secretariat as below:

President:

Nominee	MO	Nominator	MO	Results
Vanda Ducic	IVSA EXCO	Susanna Salvatori	IVSA Italy	Elected without vote

Secretariat:

Nominee	MO	Nominator	MO	Results
Stella Kovacic	IVSA Croatia	Taha Rahmani	IVSA Morocco	Elected without vote

MENA Regional Representative:

Nominee	MO	Nominator	MO	Results
Mohammed Mosaad	IVSA Egypt	Tamy Negron	IVSA Peru	0%/0%
Afaf Charaf	IVSA Morocco	Nabil el Habib	IVSA Morocco	96%/100%

Report Card Auditor:

Nominee	MO	Nominator	MO	Results
Tara Cesnik	IVSA Slovenia	Matthias Grembler	IVSA Germany	Elected without vote

The Chair recognized the results of the Elections.

The Chair entertained a motion to go into Recess.

David Mihaljević (IVSA Croatia) moved and was seconded.

**The Sixth Session of the General Assembly went into recess at 17:46 UTC+1.**



## *Minutes of the Seventh General Assembly.*

The seventh session of the GA was called to order at 16:40 UTC+1 on January 12, 2023.

### 71. Roll Call

National Member Organisations	General Assembly Status (Present-P/Absent-A)
IVSA Algeria	P
IVSA Belgium	P
IVSA Brazil	P
IVSA Croatia	P
IVSA Czech Republic	P
IVSA Denmark	P
IVSA Germany	P
IVSA Greece	P
IVSA India	P
IVSA Indonesia	P
IVSA Ireland	P
IVSA Italy	P
IVSA Morocco	P
IVSA Norway	P
IVSA Perú	P
IVSA Poland	P
IVSA Serbia	A
IVSA Slovenia	P
IVSA South Korea	P
IVSA Switzerland	P
IVSA Taiwan	P
IVSA Thailand	P
IVSA The Netherlands	P
IVSA UK	P
IVSA USA	P
<b>Quorum</b>	<b>45.28%</b>

### 72. Nominations for 73rd IVSA Symposium (2 years away)

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the host of the 73<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Symposium.

There were no nominations and nominations were closed.



The Chair reminded the delegates that nominations for the 73<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Symposium would remain open until the 72<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Congress in Denmark.

### 73. Continue with Agenda from GA 1 Onwards

#### 29. Presentation of and voting on the approval of new Member Organisations

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) gave brief presentations on the new IVSA candidate MOs for IVSA Chile, IVSA Ecuador, and IVSA Somalia.

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) moved to approve the 3 new MOs that have been presented. There were no objections and no discussion. The 3 candidate MOs were approved.

#### 30. Proposal for New IVSA Network

Karina Khatic (IVSA EXCO) explained she was approached by a few members from IVSA Italy about the creation of a new Pathology Network and they created a video to inform the delegates on what they would like to do.

Lauren Wienker (IVSA USA) moved to go into recess. She was seconded and there was no discussion or objections.

**The GA went into recess at 17:00 UTC+1.**

**The Chair called the GA back to order at 17:14 UTC+1.**

Karina Khatic (IVSA EXCO) played the video proposing a new IVSA Pathology Network for the delegates.



Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) stated that he believes pathology is one of the most important areas in the veterinary field, but if we created new networks for each subject, it would never end. He said this could be included within SCOVE.

Zuzanna Czekaj (IVSA Poland) stated that we already have pathology resources within the SCOVE website.

Kerstin Abraham (IVSA Alumni) stated that she thinks it is great that IVSA wants to keep expanding, but if we establish a new network every year, it will make the CC position unable to keep up.

Jaklien Goossens (IVSA Belgium) would like to know the position of EXCO on the creation of the new network.

Karina Khatic (IVSA EXCO) stated that EXCO has discussed and voted on the proposal. The results of the EXCO vote was partially against the creation of a new network.

Leda Kasti (IVSA Greece) asked if since the EXCO opinions are divided, what we think the benefits of this network are.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) explained that the benefits of the proposed network were described in the video. She wanted to point out that while we have SCOVE/networks, and while we cannot create a network on everything, she believes it will be beneficial; as not all countries have resources for pathology, this would give more resources to all members.

Lauren Wienker (IVSA USA) asked for clarification if there is only 1 member on EXCO in charge of all the committees/networks and if there could be a creation of a new EXCO position to assist the CC.

The Chair responded that yes, the GA can create new positions, but this would impact the budget and structure of IVSA.



Tara Cesnik (IVSA Slovenia) asked if this network was not created if SCOVE and CC could still create more opportunities in this area.

Jacopo Filippini (IVSA Italy) replied that a pathology network could create possibilities of scholarships for IVSA members in the European College of Pathology.

Marta Masserdotti (IVSA Italy) asked if there was a way to find a compromise and added that she thinks we have a great opportunity that would open many opportunities in other areas of studies. She also asked if it was possible to integrate this into SCOVE.

Trinity Dockery (IVSA Ireland) stated that she likes the idea of a pathology network, but it all depends on the people involved to set up the new network. She mentioned that as opposed to the Equine Network, which is a niche subject, pathology is a core subject in veterinary medicine which would benefit more students and is in favour of creating the new network.

Ivana Ibelli (IVSA Italy) stated that they think pathology is a different type of study, and not big in all areas, as in Italy they only study parasites in Italy and it would be better to have information on pathology from all over the world.

Avnish Gala (IVSA India) replied that yes, pathology is important around the world, but as IVSA deals with engagement issues with current networks, we should instead focus on increasing the reach of SCOVE.

Zuzanna Czekaj (IVSA Poland) answered the question regarding SCOVE and stated that the website has an entire subdomain already available that has links to lots of information about pathology and there is also information available for many other areas of study.





Konstantina Louka (IVSA Greece) stated that she thinks the future of IVSA is creating new networks and committees, but we need to make small steps to strengthen our current networks and committees first.

Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) suggested that if we have a new network of dentistry, oncology, etc. we should create sub-committees within SCOVE for each discipline to allow members to educate themselves in any subject they want.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) explained that the justification of the EXCO decision is partially against is that we want to better define criteria for our networks and to strengthen the current ones as we already have. IVSA currently has 2 networks that are not fully established.

Konstantina Louka (Greece) moved to approve the creation of new IVSA Network on Pathology and was seconded.

The Chair entertained a motion to stand at ease for 5 minutes.

Ivanna Ibelli (IVSA Italy) moved and was seconded.

**The GA went into a stand at ease at 17:37 UTC+1.**

**The Chair ended the stand at ease at 17:48 UTC+1.**

The Chair stated that based on the discussion that has taken place, the Chair objects to moving to a hand vote and will move to a card raising vote.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) asked what the next steps would be if the network is approved and if a taskforce would need to be created and then approved again.

The Chair answered that a taskforce will need to be created and will formulate a strategic plan on how to make this into a new network. The strategic plan would need to be approved by the GA and the network would then enter a 2-year



period as a temporary network. After the 2 years, it will be brought back to the GA for the GA to reevaluate if the network works and to decide if it will be a permanent one or if it is disbanded.

Mehdi Amrani (IVSA Morocco) explained that taskforces can be created at the discretion of EXCO and that the motion did not state the creation of a new taskforce, but a new network.

The Chair entertained a motion to stand at ease for 2 minutes.

Leda Kasti (IVSA Greece) moved and was seconded.

**The GA entered into a stand at ease at 17:52 UTC+1.**

**The Chair called the GA back to order at 17:57 UTC+1.**

Konstantina Louka (IVSA Greece) moved to withdraw their motion. There were no objections, and the motion was withdrawn.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) moved to create a taskforce for the creation of a new IVSA Network on Pathology.

Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) asked for clarification on what a taskforce is.

The Chair answered that a taskforce can be created by EXCO or the GA and is a temporary structure to serve a single purpose. Such as the OC manual taskforce was set up for the creation of an OC manual. This taskforce would then be dissolved upon completion of the strategic plan.

Susanna Salvatori (IVSA Italy) asked if we would create the taskforce to establish more of what they would like to do with the network and would then move to vote on the new network in Denmark.



The Chair confirmed that a strategic plan would be created by the taskforce and the plan would be presented to the delegates at the Congress in Denmark.

The Chair objected to the motion and called for a card raising vote.

The vote was not clear, and the Chair stated that it would take a 2/3rds majority to create the network.

The Chair called for a roll call vote.

Mehdi Amrani (IVSA Morocco) asked for a parliamentary inquiry, as he does not think the bylaws state a 2/3rds majority is required and that a simple majority should suffice.

Matteo Carnevale (IVSA Italy) moved to stand at ease for 2 minutes and was seconded. There were no objections.

**The GA went into a stand at ease at 18:04 UTC+1.**

**The GA was called back to order at 18:06 UTC+1.**

The Chair reminded the delegates that the vote is on the creation of a taskforce to create a Network on Pathology. The proposal is being voted on and we are voting just on the creation of a taskforce, not the creation of the network itself.

A roll call vote was held.

The motion was passed with 25 votes in favour.

The Chair stated a taskforce will be created to make the strategic plan for the Network on Pathology.

Taha Rahmani (IVSA Morocco) asked for clarification on the number of votes needed to approve the creation of the taskforce, as he thought 32 votes were needed.



The Chair answered that a simple majority was needed to approve the creation of the taskforce.

#### 74. Excellence Award

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) stated that the Excellence award is awarded 2 times per year by EXCO at the Symposium and Congress. She explained that applications are opened and IVSA members can nominate other members for the award.

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) announced that the winner is Mohana Marathe from IVSA India.

#### 75. Any Other Business (AOB)

The Chair opened the floor to the delegates for any other business.

Yuri Calvo (IVSA EXCO) stated that he wanted to address the announcement made a few nights ago that we would address it during the GA. He explained that we had a few cases of sexual harassment during cultural evening and that it has been taken care of by expelling the offending member from the rest of the event and all future IVSA events. He went on to say that EXCO would like to bring this back up in Denmark to improve the IVSA Code of Conduct, and to include a standard procedure on how EXCO should approach issues like this in the future to be more transparent on how EXCO deals with these kinds of situations. We will also be taking into consideration measures to help prevent these issues from happening in the future.

Trinity Dockery (IVSA Ireland) mentioned that SCOW could have workshops on issues like this and it would be nice to have this available as we might not always have someone in our own schools to talk to.



Livia Garcia (IVSA Brazil) proposed to create an anti-oppression committee to ensure members feel safe at events and have representation to speak to if anything happens to members during IVSA events.

The Chair concluded that since there were no other comments or questions, this topic was closed.

The Chair reopened the floor to see if there was any other business.

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) stated that after the event, we usually have evaluation forms and delegates typically do not fill them out after returning home. To resolve this, she already opened the evaluation forms and sent the forms in an email to allow delegates to fill out the forms during the GA.

The Chair entertained a motion to stand at ease for 5 minutes.

Jaklien Goossens (IVSA Belgium) moved and was seconded.

**The GA went into a stand at ease at 18:22 UTC+1.**

**The Chair called the GA back to order at 18:40 UTC+1.**

The Chair asked if there was any other business.

The Chair entertained a motion to adjourn the 7th and final session of the GA at the 71st IVSA Symposium in Slovenia

Vanda Ducic (IVSA EXCO) moved and was seconded.

**The General Assembly of the 71<sup>st</sup> IVSA Symposium in Slovenia was adjourned at 18:41 UTC+1.**