

**Minutes of the 70<sup>th</sup>  
IVSA Congress Special  
General Assembly**



## ***Minutes from the first meeting of the General Assembly***

The first meeting of the General Assembly took place on Saturday July 24<sup>th</sup>. The General Assembly was called to order at 11:00 AM UTC.

### **1. Introduction of IVSA by the president**

Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) gave a short presentation about the IVSA, introducing the aims, structure, and other relevant information.

#### **1.1. Introduction to Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised**

Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) gave a presentation to Delegates about the Rules of Order that are followed during the General Assembly proceedings, including the making of a motion, secondary motions, voting as a country and ways to cast ballots. Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) explained that the Delegates will benefit from another presentation given on the day of voting during the second meeting of the ongoing General Assembly.

### **2. Roll Call of all Member Organizations**

<b>Member Organization</b>	<b>Present/Absent</b>
Algeria, Batna	0
Algeria, Blida	0
Algeria, Constantine	0
Australia, Murdoch	0
Australia, Queensland	1
Austria	1
Bangladesh, National	1
Belarus	0
Belgium	1
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	0
Brazil, São Paulo	1
Bulgaria, Sofia	1
Chile	0
China	0
Colombia	1
Croatia	1
Cyprus	1
Czech Republic, Brno	0
Denmark	1





Egypt, National	1
Estonia	0
Finland	1
France, National	1
Germany	1
Ghana, Kumasi	1
Ghana, Pong Tamale	1
Greece, Thessaloniki	1
Greece, Thessaly	1
Hungary	0
India	1
Indonesia	1
Irak,Duhok	0
Iraq, Kirkuk	0
Iraq, Sulaimania	1
Iran	0
Italy	1
Japan	0
Latvia	1
Lithuania	0
North Macedonia, Skopje, FYR	0
Malawi	0
Malaysia, Kelantan (VETSA)	1
Malaysia, Selangor	1
Mexico	1
Moldova	0
Mongolia	0
Morocco	1
Namibia	0
Nepal	1
Netherlands	1
Nigeria (National)	1
Norway, Oslo	0
Pakistan	1
Paraguay, San lorenzo	0
Peru	1



Philippines, National	1
Poland, Krakow	1
Poland, Lublin	1
Poland, Olsztyn	0
Poland, Poznan	0
Poland, Torunn	0
Poland, Warsaw	1
Poland, Wroclaw	1
Portugal, National	1
Romania, Bucharest	1
Romania, Cluj-Napoca	1
Romania, Iasi	0
Romania, Timisoara	0
Russia, St. Petersburg	0
Russia, Kazan	0
Rwanda	1
Senegal	0
Serbia, Belgrade	1
Slovakia	0
Slovenia	1
South Africa	1
South Korea	1
Spain, Barcelona	0
Spain, Leon	0
Spain, Valencia	0
Spain, Caceres	0
Spain, Zaragoza	0
Sudan, Bahri	1
Sudan, Khartoum	1
Sweden	0
Switzerland, Bern	1
Switzerland, Zurich	1
Taiwan	1
Thailand	1
Trinidad and Tobago	1
Tunisia	0
Turkey, Ankara	0



Turkey, Aydin	0
Turkey, Burdur	0
Turkey, Bursa	0
Turkey, Elazig	0
Turkey, Erzurum	0
Turkey, Istanbul	1
Turkey, Kayseri	0
Turkey, Kirikkale	0
Turkey, Konya	1
Turkey, Samsun	0
Turkey, Sivas	0
Uganda	1
Uruguay, Montevideo	0
United Arab Emirates	0
United Kingdom & Ireland	1
Venezuela	1
USA, SAVMA	1
Zambia	0
<b>Quorum</b>	<b>74%</b>

### 3. Election of the Chair

Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) gave a short introduction explaining the role and requirements of the Chair, and opened the floor for nominations for this position.

Anna Cieckiewicz (IVSA ExCo) nominated Elwin von Oldenborgh (IVSA The Netherlands) for Chair, who was elected without a vote seeing as there were no further nominations.

### 4. Election of the Parliamentarian

Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) nominated Kerstin Abraham (IVSA Austria) for the position of Parliamentarian.

### 5. Election of the Election Committee.

Luregn Von Planta (IVSA Switzerland) nominated Vivian Lee (IVSA SAVMA), and Branden Nettles (IVSA HLM) nominated Elen Hernandez (IVSA ExCo) and Adinda Rana Fauziah (IVSA



Indonesia) for the Election Committee. They were elected without a vote seeing no other nominations.

## 6. Election of the Financial Report Auditors.

Laure Chevalier (IVSA France) nominated Luciano Todirica (IVSA Romania) and Jaklien Goossens (IVSA Belgium). Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) accepted on their behalf and both were elected without a vote.

## 7. Amendments to and approval of the proposed Agenda

Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) moved to insert point “18. Report on the 69<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium Online SGA” after point 17. , insert point “21. SG’s report on the Officials’ Evaluations” after point 20. , and insert point “24. IFMSA and SCOH’s survey” after point 23. These were all approved and there were no further amendments.

## 8. Presentation of the nominees.

The Chair presented the nominees for each position which were as follows:

Position	Nominee	Nominated by
Secretary General	<b>Nelson Achong* (IVSA Uganda)</b>	Vivial Lee (IVSA SAVMA)
Treasurer	<b>Innina Mananguit* (IVSA Philippines)</b>	Diana Teixeira (IVSA Portugal)
External Relations Officer	Naveesha Kaur Shergill (IVSA Malaysia)	Laure Chevalier (IVSA France)
	Yuri Calvo (IVSA Brazil)	Branden Nettles (IVSA Alumni)
Development Aid Director	<b>Adnane Imghi* (IVSA Morocco)</b>	Maulida Salsabila (IVSA Indonesia)
Member Organisation Director	Gabriel de Assis Duarte (IVSA Brazil)	Diana Teixeira (IVSA Portugal)



	Brenda Gomes KJ (IVSA India)	Kavya S (IVSA India)
	Nina Vasic (IVSA ExCo)	Naveesha Kaur Shergill (IVSA Malaysia)
Public Relations Coordinator	<b>Maulida Salsabila* (IVSA Indonesia)</b>	Luregn von Planta (IVSA Switzerland)
Committee Coordinator	Luregn Von Planta (IVSA Switzerland)	Naveesha Kaur Shergill (IVSA Malaysia)
	Adetona Mutiat Adenike (IVSA Nigeria)	Abdullah Al-awal (IVSA Nigeria)
Secretariat	Hajar Saidi (IVSA Morocco)	Naveesha Kaur Shergill (IVSA Malaysia)
	Yahya Farhi (IVSA Morocco)	Nelson Achong (IVSA Uganda)
	Otim Alvin John (IVSA Uganda)	Luregn von Planta (IVSA Switzerland)
	Ahmed Hafez (IVSA Egypt)	Luregn von Planta (IVSA Switzerland)
	John Gyan Kwesi Yeboah (IVSA Ghana)	Izabela Baclawska (ISA Poland)
	Yu-An "Tristan" Chen (IVSA Taiwan)	Glenn Adjei (IVSA Ghana)
	Ellison Browne (IVSA Trinidad and Tobago)	Yuri Victor Calvo (IVSA Brazil)
	Martina Marina (IVSA Indonesia)	Mairin-Rua Ni Aodha (IVSA Poland)
	Nadya W (IVSA Indonesia)	Diana Teixeira (IVSA Portugalà)
	Pradyumn Devaiah (IVSA India)	Viktoria Hirschhofer (IVSA Austria)



Chair of the Standing Committee on Veterinary Education	Vikrotia Hischhofer (IVSA Austria)	Luregn von Planta (IVSA Switzerland)
	Mumtasiya Karima Putri (IVSA Indonesia)	Adrian Boldianu (IVSA Romania)
	Catarina Bartilotti Santiago (IVSA Portugal)	Nadya W (IVSA Indonesia)
Chair of the Standing Committee on Animal Welfare	Harshit Singh (IVSA India)	Kavya S (IVSA India)
	Somnath Aryal (IVSA Nepal)	Mairin-Rua Ni Aodha (IVSA Poland)
	Ashley Nicole Delmar (IVSA Poland)	Mairin-Rua Ni Aodha (IVSA Poland)
Chair of the Standing Committee on One Health	Mariah Dee (IVSA SAVMA)	Luregn von Planta (IVSA Switzerland)
	Suwaibatul Annisa (IVSA Indonesia)	Nelson Achong (IVSA Uganda)
Chair of the Standing Committee on Wellness	<b>Juan Paulo Galinato* (IVSA Philippines)</b>	Charles Christian M. Flores (IVSA Philippines)
Chair of the Standing Committee on Career Attributes	<b>Jade Li Lapa* (IVSA Brazil)</b>	Luregn von Planta (IVSA Switzerland)
Chair of the Working Group on Alumni (Recently changed to Alumni Network)	<b>Lisa Buren* (IVSA The Netherlands)</b>	Kerstin Abraham (IVSA Austria)
Regional Representative for Europe	Kristina Almazidou (IVSA Greece)	Kushi Jain (IVSA India)
	Thessa Van Duinen (IVSA The Netherlands)	Daniel Lund (IVSA Denmark)
Regional Representative for Asia	John Michael P. Trajano (IVSA Philippines)	Innina Mananguit (IVSA Philippines)





	Nidhi Amar Kavnekar (IVSA India)	Arya Niraula (IVSA Nepal)
	Kushi Jain (IVSA India)	Shubam Khutwad (IVSA India)
Regional Representative for The Americas	<b>Amanda Fernandes* Gimenez (IVSA Brazil)</b>	Yuri Calvo (IVSA Brazil)
Regional Representative for Middle East and North Africa	<b>Yosra Dkhil* (IVSA Tunisia)</b>	Hajar Saidi (IVSA Morocco)
Regional Representative for Sub-Saharan Africa	<b>Damilare Paul* (IVSA Nigeria)</b>	Adetona Mutiat Adenike (IVSA Nigeria)
Trust	<b>Elwin van Oldenborgh* (IVSA The Netherlands)</b>	Daniel Lund (IVSA Denmark)
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	<b>Kerstin Abraham* (IVSA Austria)</b>	Luregn Von Planta (IVSA Switzerland)
	<b>Merel Knoops* (IVSA ExCo)</b>	Daniel Lund (IVSA Denmark)
	<b>Mehdi Amrani* (IVSA ExCo)</b>	Adinda Rana Fauziah (IVSA Indonesia)
Host of the 71st IVSA Symposium (Winter 2022-2023)	<b>IVSA Slovenia*</b>	Mehdi Amrani (IVSA ExCo)

\*: Elected without a vote.

## 9. Nominations for the 72<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Congress – Summer 2023.

A nomination for IVSA Denmark was made. The voting will take place during the 70<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium General Assembly in Mexico. No further nominations were received.

## 10. Approval of the minutes from the 69<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium Special General Assembly.

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Mehdi Amrani (IVSA ExCo) moved to approve the minutes.

Branden Nettles (IVSA HLM) made a friendly amendment replacing all mentions of “IVSA Officials”, “IVSA Secretariat”, “IVSA Trust” after a person’s name so that it reads their country MO instead.

No further amendments were made, and the minutes were approved.

## **11. Continuing with the Agenda points from GA 1 Onwards.**

### **12. Constitutional Amendment on IVSA Structure.**

Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) provided information about the amendment and moved the motion. Since there was no discussion, the Chair ordered a digital vote.

The motion passed unanimously with one abstained vote.

## **13. Discussion and Approval of the revised Bylaws**

### **13.1. Amendment to Section “1. General Regulation”**

Mehdi Amrani (IVSA ExCo) explained that no changes were made to the first sections. The amendment was approved.

### **13.2. Amendment to Section “2. General Assembly”**

The Chair gave some explanations on the amendment. There was no discussion and the amendment was approved.

### **13.3. Amendment to Section “3. Meetings held electronically”**

The Chair gave some explanations on the amendment. There was no discussion and the amendment was approved.

### **13.4. Amendment to Section “4. Policy Papers and Position Statements”**

The Chair gave some explanations on the amendment. There was no discussion and the amendment was approved.



### **13.5. Relocation and amendment to Section “10. IVSA Officials” after Section 4.**

The Chair gave some explanations on the amendment.

Ellison Browne (IVSA Trinidad and Tobago) made a point of information about observers not being included in section 5.2.1. in the amendment. An amendment was made to allow all “IVSA Members with the right to speak” to nominate another member, and the amendment to the amendment was approved.

There was no further discussion and the main motion was passed.

### **13.6. Amendment to Section “5. Executive Committee”**

The Chair gave some explanations on the amendment. There was discussion about quorum for the Executive Committee. Some explanation was given about the methods with which the ExCo can cast a vote or approve any item of business.

There was no further discussion on the motion and the motion passed.

### **13.7. Amendment to Section “6. Secretariat”**

The Chair gave an explanation about the amendment. There was discussion about the newly added Secretariat projects which are done under the supervision of the ExCo, and questions about when would the section go into effect given that the elections were to happen the following day. The motion was then approved.

### **13.8. Amendment to Section “7. Trust”**

The Chair gave some explanations on the amendment. There was no discussion and the amendment was approved.

### **13.9. Amendment to Section “8. Committees and Groups”**

The Chair gave some explanations about the amendment. Lisa Buren (IVSA The Netherlands) moved to strike all mentions of the “Working Group on Alumni” and replace them with “The Alumni Network” throughout Section 9. of the amendment, and this was approved. An amendment was made to replace all mentions of “working group” with “network” throughout section 9.3., and this was also approved.



There was no discussion and there were no objections to the main motion and it was approved.

Branden Nettles (IVSA HLM) moved to reconsider section 5. And it was passed unanimously.

Daniel Lund (IVSA Denmark) moved to amend section 5.1. to replace “and Working Groups” with “and the Alumni Network”. This was approved.

Daniel Lund (IVSA Denmark) moved to amend section 5.2.1. to replace “the Chair of the Working Group on Alumni” with “the Chair of the Alumni Network”. There was no discussion on the motion and it was approved.

The main motion received no further discussion. There was no objection to approving the main motion and section 5. was approved as amended.

### **13.10. Amendment to Section “9. Regional Representatives”**

The Chair gave some explanations on the amendment. There was no discussion and the amendment was approved.

### **13.11. Amendment to Section “11. Membership” and Approval of Annex 1 in the revised Bylaws.**

The Chair gave explanations about the changes made to this section. Daniel Lund (IVSA Denmark) moved to amend the amendment to replace “Applications shall be reviewed by the Chair of the Working Group on Alumni” with “Applications shall be reviewed by the Chair of the Alumni Network”. This was approved. The main motion was also approved without further amendments.

### **13.12. Amendment to Section “12. Congresses and Symposia”**

The Chair gave some explanations on the amendment. Thessa von Duinen (IVSA The Netherlands) discussed the fact that no priority is given to the Presidents and Exchange Officers anymore with regards to Delegate selection. Laure Chevalier (IVSA France) explained that although the Bylaws do not include this, it will most certainly be taken into account by the OC. Anna Ciekiewicz (IVSA ExCo) explained that this will be included in the revised OC Manual. With no further discussion, the amendment was approved.

### **13.13. Amendment to Section “13. Exchanges and other events” into sections “13. Other International Events” and “14. Exchanges” of the revised Bylaws.**



The Chair explained the reasons behind including this new part of the bylaws. Lisa Buren (IVSA The Netherlands) explained that the organizing committees of said international events could also make use of the updated OC Manual currently in the work. Salsa made a point of information asking if those events would require approval from the Executive Committee, which the Chair confirmed.

A point of information was made about the financial aid given to students in order to participate in Exchanges, to which the Chair responded by saying that although some action has been taken by the ExCo to discuss this issue with sponsors, no such assistance is currently available. The amendment was then approved with no further discussion.

### **13.14. Amendment to Section “14. Finances”**

The Chair gave some explanations on the amendment. Daniel Lund (IVSA Denmark) thanked the members of the Taskforce on Bylaw Realignment for all their hard work, the Chair presented all the members and gave his thanks as well. Salsa made a point of information for further explanation about the multiple Funds of the IVSA. Daniel Lund (IVSA Denmark) provided explanations regarding this aspect. And without any further discussion, the amendment was approved.

## **14. IVSA position on political and social crises.**

Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) first gave a short speech about the discussion ahead and its importance, reminding all delegates to observe decorum, have respect, and abide by the rules of order in order to create a safe thinking and sharing environment.

Statements were read on behalf of two members of the ExCo that had resigned due to this issue two months prior. The statements that could not be read in full due to individual speech duration limits were then shared with all delegates in written format through digital media.

Multiple members voiced their opinions either in favor or against IVSA involvement in political and social affairs. Members against explained that the IVSA is a non-partisan organization according to the Constitution. Others added that it would be very difficult to choose which issues to address and which that should not be addressed, in addition to possibly attracting some unwanted attention, or creating problems with sponsors and partners. Members from the DEI Taskforce explained that the purpose of the taskforce was specifically limited to Diversity, Equity and Inclusivity within the IVSA, and that any issue beyond that would be out of their capacity.

Members in favor of more involvement of the IVSA on political and social crises explained that IVSA's non-partisanship does allow for room of action, and noted the subtle yet crucial difference between the expressions “apolitical” and “non-partisan”, which were up until now



wrongfully used interchangeably. Seeing as this is the actual situation the IVSA is in, members shared the opinion that though risk is undoubtedly linked to such action, it should not limit duty to address such issues which IVSA members are affected by.

After there was no more discussion from the floor, the Trust shared a resolution to allow the next Executive Committee to address this issue, and report back to the next session of the General Assembly. After much discussion and multiple amendments, the final resolution is as follows:

*“ WHEREAS the Constitution of the IVSA states that IVSA is a non-partisan organization,*

*WHEREAS the past year has seen countless hardships around the world, including the COVID-19 Pandemic,*

*WHEREAS the culmination of these events resulted in the loss of a few IVSA Officials,*

*BE IT RESOLVED by the General Assembly of IVSA that IVSA will strive to maintain its non-partisan nature and avoid politicizing topics that IVSA is involved with or addresses. However, in an effort to continue to make founded decisions and to think thoroughly about what and how IVSA does this, the General Assembly tasks the incoming Executive Committee with evaluating what IVSA Global works with, in all areas, and revising the work and communication styles of IVSA as needed. Any updates or changes shall be reported to the General Assembly”.*



## *Minutes of the second meeting of the General Assembly*

The General Assembly was called to order at 11:00 AM GMT.

### **28. Roll Call**

<b>Member Organization</b>	<b>Present/Absent</b>
Algeria, Batna	0
Algeria, Blida	0
Algeria, Constantine	0
Australia, Murdoch	0
Australia, Queensland	1
Austria	1
Bangladesh, National	1
Belarus	0
Belgium	1
Brazil, Rio de Janero	0
Brazil, São Paulo	1
Bulgaria, Sofia	1
Chile	0
China	0
Colombia	1
Croatia	1
Cyprus	1
Czech Republic, Brno	0
Denmark	1
Egypt, National	1
Estonia	0
Finland	1
France, National	1
Germany	1
Ghana, Kumasi	1
Ghana, Pong Tamale	1
Greece, Thessaloniki	1
Greece, Thessaly	1
Hungary	0



India	1
Indonesia	1
Irak,Duhok	0
Iraq, Kirkuk	0
Iraq, Sulaimania	1
Iran	0
Italy	1
Japan	0
Latvia	1
Lithuania	0
North Macedonia, Skopje, FYR	0
Malawi	0
Malaysia, Kelantan (VETSA)	1
Malaysia, Selangor	1
Mexico	1
Moldova	0
Mongolia	0
Morocco	1
Namibia	0
Nepal	1
Netherlands	1
Nigeria (National)	1
Norway, Oslo	0
Pakistan	1
Paraguay, San lorenzo	0
Peru	1
Philippines, National	1
Poland, Krakow	1
Poland, Lublin	1
Poland, Olsztyn	0
Poland, Poznan	0
Poland, Torunn	0
Poland, Warsaw	1
Poland, Wroclaw	1
Portugal, National	1
Romania, Bucharest	1





Romania, Cluj-Napoca	1
Romania, Iasi	0
Romania, Timisoara	0
Russia, St. Petersburg	0
Russia, Kazan	0
Rwanda	1
Senegal	0
Serbia, Belgrade	1
Slovakia	0
Slovenia	1
South Africa	1
South Korea	1
Spain, Barcelona	0
Spain, Leon	0
Spain, Valencia	0
Spain, Caceres	0
Spain, Zaragoza	0
Sudan, Bahri	1
Sudan, Khartoum	1
Sweden	0
Switzerland, Bern	1
Switzerland, Zurich	1
Taiwan	1
Thailand	1
Trinidad and Tobago	1
Tunisia	0
Turkey, Ankara	0
Turkey, Aydin	0
Turkey, Burdur	0
Turkey, Bursa	0
Turkey, Elazig	0
Turkey, Erzurum	0
Turkey, Istanbul	1
Turkey, Kayseri	0
Turkey, Kirikkale	0
Turkey, Konya	1
Turkey, Samsun	0



Turkey, Sivas	0
Uganda	1
Uruguay, Montevideo	0
United Arab Emirates	0
United Kingdom & Ireland	1
Venezuela	1
USA, SAVMA	1
Zambia	0
<b>Quorum</b>	<b>74%</b>

## 29. Nominations for the 72<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Congress – Summer 2023

No further nominations were received; nominations were closed to be opened again on the next session of the General Assembly.

## 30. Introduction of election procedure

Elen Hernandez (IVSA ExCo) gave a short presentation about the Election procedures explaining ballot casting, vote counting, and other aspects.

## 31. Elections.

The Election results were as follows:

- **For the Executive Committee:**

Position	Nominee	Number of votes	Percentage
External Relations Officer	<b>Naveesha Kaur Shergill*</b> <b>(IVSA Malaysia)</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>65</b>
	Yuri Calvo (IVSA Brazil)	28	35



Member Director	Organisation	<b>Gabriel de Assis Duarte* (IVSA Brazil)</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>55</b>
		Brenda Gomes KJ (IVSA India)	4	5
		Nina Vasic (IVSA ExCo)	31	40
Committee Coordinator		<b>Luregn Von Planta* (IVSA Switzerland)</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>74</b>
		Adetona Mutiat Adenike (IVSA Nigeria)	20	26

**\* : Elected**

Out of those that were not elected for an executive committee position, Yuri Calvo (IVSA Brazil) wished to be nominated for the Secretariat, Brenda Gomes KJ (IVSA India) wished to be nominated for Regional Representative of Asia, and Nina Vasic (IVSA ExCo) wished to be considered for the position of Regional Representative of Europe. Adetona Mutiat Adenike (IVSA Nigeria) did not wish to be nominated for another position.

**For The remaining positions:**

- **Committee Coordinators:**

The results of the Committee Chairs' elections were as follows:

Position	Nominee	1st Round		2nd Round	
		Number of votes	%	Number of votes	%
Chair of the Standing	<b>Viktoria Hirschhofer* (IVSA Austria)</b>	36	47	8	<b>59</b>



Committee on Veterinary Education	Catarina Bartilotti Santiago (IVSA Portugal)	26	34	4	41
	Mumtasiya Karima Putri (IVSA Indonesia)	14	19		
	Abstain	1	0		
Chair of the Standing Committee on Animal Welfare	Harshit Singh (IVSA India)	9	12		
	Somnath Aryal (IVSA Nepal)	25	34		
	<b>Ashley Nicole Delmar* (IVSA Poland)</b>	40	<b>54</b>		
Chair of the Standing Committee on One Health	Mariah Dee (IVSA SAVMA)	36	48		
	<b>Suwaibatul Annisa* (IVSA Indonesia)</b>	39	<b>52</b>		

\* : Elected

**- For the Regional Representatives:**

The results of the elections are as follows:

Position	Nominee	1st Round		2nd Round		3rd Round	
		Number of votes	%	Number of votes	%	Number of votes	%



Regional Representative for Europe	Kristina Almazidou (IVSA Greece)	18	24				
	Nina Vasic (IVSA ExCo)	25	33	8	44		
	<b>Thessa Van Duinen* (IVSA The Netherlands)</b>	32	43	10	<b>56</b>		
	Abstain	2	0				
Regional Representative for Asia	John Michael P. Trajano (IVSA Philippines)	21	29	2	31,5	11	47
	<b>Nidhi Kavnekar* Amar (IVSA India)</b>	25	34	5	40,5	12	<b>53</b>
	Kushi Jain (IVSA India)	20	27	0	28		
	Brenda Gomes KJ (IVSA India)	7	10				
	Abstain	1	0				

**\* : Elected**

Following the vote on the positions of the Executive Committee, the nominees for Secretariat were eleven in number. On the first meeting of the ongoing session, the General Assembly approved new Bylaws that have now raised the number of secretaries from 8 to 12. Seeing as the number of nominees was lower, all nominees were then elected without a vote.

The final list of elected Officials is as follows:





Position	Elected Official
Secretary General	Nelson Achong (IVSA Uganda)
Treasurer	Innina Mananguit (IVSA Philippines)
External Relations Officer	Naveesha Kaur Shergill (IVSA Malaysia)
Development Aid Director	Adnane Imghi (IVSA Morocco)
Member Organisation Director	Gabriel de Assis Duarte (IVSA Brazil)
Public Relations Coordinator	Maulida Salsabila (IVSA Indonesia)
Committee Coordinator	Luregn Von Planta (IVSA Switzerland)
Secretariat	Hajar Saidi (IVSA Morocco)
	Yahya Farhi (IVSA Morocco)
	Otim Alvin John (IVSA Uganda)
	Ahmed Hafez (IVSA Egypt)





	Yuri Calvo (IVSA Brazil)
	John Gyan Kwesi Yeboah (IVSA Ghana)
	Yu-An "Tristan" Chen (IVSA Taiwan)
	Ellison Browne (IVSA Trinidad and Tobago)
	Martina Marina (IVSA Indonesia)
	Nadya W (IVSA Indonesia)
	Pradyumn Devaiah (IVSA India)
Chair of the Standing Committee on Veterinary Education	Vikrotia Hischhofer (IVSA Austria)
Chair of the Standing Committee on Animal Welfare	Ashley Nicole Delmar (IVSA Poland)
Chair of the Standing Committee on One Health	Suwaibatul Annisa (IVSA Indonesia)
Chair of the Standing Committee on Wellness	Juan Paulo Galinato (IVSA Philippines)
Chair of the Standing Committee on Career Attributes	Jade Li Lapa (IVSA Brazil)



Chair of the Working Group on Alumni (Recently changed to Alumni Network)	Lisa Buren (IVSA The Netherlands)
Regional Representative for Europe	Thessa Van Duinen (IVSA The Netherlands)
Regional Representative for Asia	Nidhi Amar Kavnekar (IVSA India)
Regional Representative for The Americas	Amanda Fernandes Gimenez (IVSA Brazil)
Regional Representative for Middle East and North Africa	Yosra Dkhila (IVSA Tunisia)
Regional Representative for Sub-Saharan Africa	Damilare Paul (IVSA Nigeria)
Trust	Elwin van Oldenborgh (IVSA The Netherlands)
	Daniel Lund (IVSA Denmark)
	Kerstin Abraham (IVSA Austria)
	Merel Knoop (IVSA ExCo)
	Mehdi Amrani (IVSA ExCo)





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The Chair recognized the new elected officials and congratulated everybody, wishing them a successful term.

## **32. Continuing with the agenda from GA1 onwards**

## **15. Approval of the ExCo's reports.**

The ExCo's reports were approved by the General Assembly.

## **16. Updates from the Taskforce on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity**

Naveesha Kaur Shergill (IVSA Malaysia) gave a short presentation about results of the DEI survey, and explained that more results will be published once the full report is ready.

## **17. Presentation on the FVE.**

Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) gave a short presentation about the FVE, presenting their structure, projects, goals and the importance of collaboration with the IVSA.

## **18. Presentation on the 69th IVSA Symposium Online SGA:**

Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) presented the itinerary and the financial report for the event. They were approved without any discussion.

## **19. Presentation on the 70th IVSA Symposium in Mexico.**

Josue Escareno (IVSA Mexico) gave a presentation on the 70th IVSA Symposium in Mexico, and presented the Itinerary.

## **20. Presentation on the 70th IVSA Congress in Sao Paulo, Brazil and voting on the maximum fee.**

Gabriel de Assis Duarte (IVSA Brazil) gave a short presentation about the 70th IVSA Congress in Sao Paulo, Brazil, and moved to set the maximum fee at 405 Euros. After



discussion, the General Assembly approved the motion and the maximum fee was set as such.

## **21. Discussion on Officials' updates and Attended Events.**

Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) explained that the presentation regarding attended events and Officials' updates were uploaded to the Delegates' Drive. Seeing as there was no discussion, Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) thanked all the Officials for their hard work and dedication throughout the term.

## **22. Approval of new MO's**

Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) moved to accept IVSA Zimbabwe as a member of the IVSA. This was approved.

## **23. SG's report on Officials' evaluations**

Mehdi Amrani (IVSA ExCo) gave a short presentation about the Officials' evaluations, and explained the issues with the current system. A more extensive report was shared with delegates in the Drive. The General Assembly advised to look further into this issue in order to ensure the evaluations and report cards are correct and representative of the Officials' accomplishments.

## **24. 13th IVSA Excellence award**

Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) explained what the IVSA Excellence award was, and presented the nominees. The winner was announced to be Ahmed Hafez from IVSA Egypt, Mansoura. After a few words from the winner, other delegates and officials shared their congratulations to the winner, and talked about his passion and dedication to the IVSA.

## **25. Top MO.**

Merel Knoops (IVSA ExCo) explained that due to the MOD team being shorthanded, the Top MO contest could not be conducted, and asked Delegates to wait until after the event for more information.

## **26. Presentation and approval of the Treasurer's Financial Report and Budget for the term 2021-2022.**

The financial report and budget were presented and approved after discussion.



## 27. SCOH Poster competition.

After a short introduction about the competition itself, Adetona Mutiat Adenike (IVSA Nigeria) presented the winner of the SCOH Poster competition from IVSA Pakistan, and shared her congratulations.

## 33. AOB

Branden Nettles (IVSA HLM) moved to approve the following resolution:

*“WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic has prevented the hosting of the usual in-person IVSA events, Congress and Symposium*

*WHEREAS according to the Bylaws of the IVSA, candidate member organizations of the IVSA must attend a full session of the General Assembly in-person to achieve full membership with voting rights*

*BE IT RESOLVED by the General Assembly of the IVSA that following the July 24th and 25th session of the General Assembly, a candidate member organization that was in attendance for the full session shall temporarily receive full membership and voting rights for online sessions of the General Assembly at the next in-person General Assembly the Member Organization attends.*

*This resolution shall expire after 3 events are held in-person, at which point if any candidate member organization that was eligible for full membership under this resolution ad does not attend an in-person event in the given timeframe, shall retain their candidate membership status. Following the Bylaws, they will be granted full membership and voting rights at the end of the next Session of the General Assembly in which they attend in person.”*

The resolution was adopted without any objections.

The General Assembly was adjourned at 16:30 UTC.

**Mehdi Amrani**

Secretary General 2020-2021

Trustee 2021-2022