



Minutes of the 66th IVSA Congress

The symposium was held in Kuala Lumpur, Malacca and Kelantan, Malaysia from the 24th of July to the 4th of August 2017.

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General Assembly – Meeting 1

25th of July 2017

Welcome and introduction to the proceedings, 11.30 GMT+8

Malcolm Chong (President) gave a presentation explaining the voting system and Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (RRONR).

Malcolm Chong (President) called the General Assembly (GA) to order at 11.35 GMT+8.

Roll call of active Member Organizations, 11.36 GMT+8

Member Organizations	Present	Absent
IVSA Algeria, Batna	1	
IVSA Algeria, Blida		1
IVSA Austria	1	
IVSA Belgium, Ghent	1	
IVSA China	1	
IVSA Croatia	1	
IVSA Czech Republic	1	
IVSA Denmark	1	
IVSA Estonia		1
IVSA Finland	1	
IVSA France, Alfort	1	
IVSA France, Lyon	1	
IVSA France, Nantes		1
IVSA Germany	1	
IVSA Ghana, Kumasi	1	
IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki	1	
IVSA Greece, Thessaly	1	
IVSA Hungary	1	
IVSA Indonesia	1	
IVSA Iran		1
IVSA Italy, Milan	1	
IVSA Italy, Naples	1	
IVSA Japan		1
IVSA Kosovo		1
IVSA Malaysia, Kelantan	1	
IVSA Malaysia, Selangor	1	



IVSA Nepal		1
IVSA Netherlands	1	
IVSA Nigeria, Abuja		1
IVSA Norway	1	
IVSA Pakistan		1
IVSA Palestine		1
IVSA Philippines, CBSUA	1	
IVSA Philippines, Los Banos		1
IVSA Poland, Krakow	1	
IVSA Poland, Lublin	1	
IVSA Poland, Olsztyn		1
IVSA Poland, Poznan		1
IVSA Poland, Warsaw	1	
IVSA Poland, Wroclaw		1
IVSA Portugal	1	
IVSA Romania, Bucharest		1
IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca	1	
IVSA Romania, Iasi		1
IVSA Russia, St. Petersburg		1
IVSA SAVMA	1	
IVSA Serbia, Belgrade		1
IVSA Slovakia		1
IVSA Slovenia		1
IVSA South Africa	1	
IVSA South Korea	1	
IVSA Spain, Barcelona		1
IVSA Sweden		1
IVSA Switzerland, Bern		1
IVSA Switzerland, Zurich	1	
IVSA Taiwan	1	
IVSA Thailand	1	
IVSA Tunisia	1	
IVSA Turkey, Ankara		1
IVSA Turkey, Bursa		1
IVSA Turkey, Firat		1
IVSA Turkey, Istanbul	1	
IVSA Turkey, Kirikkale		1



IVSA Turkey, Samsun		1
IVSA UK & Ireland	1	

Quorum was reached with 68% (32/47 voting entities present and eligible to vote).

Representatives of the Candidate Member Organization: IVSA Algeria, Algiers and IVSA Philippines, CLSU were present as guests.

1. Election of the Election Committee, 11.47 GMT+8

Alexandros Trachanas (IVSA Greece, Thessaly) nominated Leonie Fingerhut (IVSA Germany and Secretariat) to the Election Committee. Seunghun Heo (IVSA South Korea) nominated Kerstin Abraham (Public Relations Coordinator) to the Election Committee. Audrey Chevalier (IVSA France, Lyon) nominated Lidia Steczek (IVSA Poland, Krakow). Leonie Fingerhut (IVSA Germany and Secretariat), Kerstin Abraham (Public Relations Coordinator) and Lidia Steczek (IVSA Poland, Krakow) accepted.

Leonie Fingerhut (IVSA Germany and Secretariat), Kerstin Abraham (Public Relations Coordinator) and Lidia Steczek (IVSA Poland, Krakow) were elected to the Election Committee.

2. Election of the Chairman, 11.49 GMT+8

Kelsey Libbe (IVSA SAVMA) nominated Ann-Katrin Autz (IVSA Austria and Trust) for Chairman. Ann-Katrin Autz (IVSA Austria and Trust) was elected as Chairman.

3. Election of the Parliamentarian, 11.50 GMT+8

Nadine Tod (IVSA Austria) nominated Branden Nettles (IVSA SAVMA) for Parliamentarian. Branden Nettles (IVSA SAVMA) accepted. Branden Nettles (IVSA SAVMA) was elected as Parliamentarian.

Tom Merten (IVSA Germany) moved to allow any observers and guests to speak in the meeting. This was adopted.

4. Amendments to and approval of the agenda, 11.54 GMT+8

Nina Schmidt (IVSA Denmark and Secretariat) moved to approve the agenda. This was adopted after amendment.

5. Approval of the Minutes from the Special General Assembly in Raleigh, United States of America, 11.58 GMT+8

Lucian Todirica (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca and Secretariat) moved to approve the minutes of the Special General Assembly in Raleigh, United States of America. This was adopted.



Lara Scherer (Committee Coordinator) moved to Form an 'Ad hoc Committee on Collaboration with Global Health Organizations' (AHCCGHO), until the GA of the 66th Symposium where it will be dissolved. The AHCCGHO will have four (4) committee members, including the Chair. The Chair will be elected by the General Assembly. The Chair will then select three (3) other members based on submitted application forms at the end of September. This was adopted after debate.

Nina Schmidt moved to recess at 12.02 GMT+8 for two (2) hours. This was approved.

The GA was called to order at 14.00 GMT+8.

7. Nominations for the Executive Committee 2017-2018, 14.02 GMT+8

Xavier Canavilhas (IVSA Portugal and Chair of the Standing Committee on Wellness) nominated Nina Schmidt (IVSA Denmark and Secretariat) for the position of Member Organization Director. Nina Schmidt (IVSA Denmark and Secretariat) accepted.

Hara Korakaki (IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki) nominated Maryem Ben Salem (IVSA Tunisia and Secretariat) for the position of Member Organization Director. Maryem Ben Salem (IVSA Tunisia and Secretariat) accepted.

Branden Nettles (IVSA SAVMA and Parliamentarian) nominated Andrei Ungur (Development Aid Director) for the position of Treasurer. Andrei Ungur (Development Aid Director) accepted.

Khairina Abdul Halim (IVSA Malaysia, Selangor) nominated Lucian Todirica (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca and Secretariat) for Development Aid Director. Lucian Todirica (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca and Secretariat) accepted.

Corina Beres (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca) nominated Branden Nettles (IVSA SAVMA and Parliamentarian) for External Relations Officers. Branden Nettles (IVSA SAVMA and Parliamentarian) accepted.

Lucian Todirica (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca) nominated Jannina Saastamoinen (IVSA SAVMA) for Public Relations Coordinator. Jannina Saastamoinen (IVSA SAVMA) accepted.

8. Nominations for the Secretariat 2017-2018, 14.05 GMT+8

There were no nominations for Secretariat at this time.

9. Nominations for the Trust 2017-2018, 14.06 GMT+8

Nina Schmidt (IVSA Denmark and Secretariat) nominated Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) for the position of Trustee. Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) accepted.



Kelsey Libbe (IVSA SAVMA) nominated Lisa Buren (IVSA the Netherlands) for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Veterinary Education (SCoVE). Lisa Buren (IVSA the Netherlands) accepted.

Vincenzo Gaita (IVSA Italy, Naples) nominated Evymarie Prado Sanchez (IVSA SAVMA) for the position of Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Collaboration with Global Health Organizations. Evymarie Prado Sanchez (IVSA SAVMA) accepted.

11. Nominations for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium, 14.09 GMT+8

Ann-Katrin (Chairman and Trustee) explained that there was already a nomination for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium from IVSA South Korea.

Veronica Nardiello (IVSA Italy, Milan) nominated IVSA the Netherlands for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium. IVSA the Netherlands accepted.

12. Nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress, 14.10 GMT+8

Jordon Egan (IVSA UK & Ireland) nominated IVSA Istanbul, Turkey for the 68th Congress. IVSA Istanbul, Turkey accepted.

Ann-Katrin (Chairman and Trustee) explained nominations will also be open during the 66th IVSA Symposium in South Africa.

13. Presentation on IVSA Activities, 14.12 GMT+8

Malcolm Chong (President) gave a presentation on how IVSA is run, what activities were organized last eleven months, what projects the committees and working groups have been working on last eleven months and the relocation of the IVSA office and bank account.

14. Presentation on the Development Fund (DF), Member Organizations Director (MOD) activities & Committees and Working Groups, 14.25 GMT+8

- a. **Presentation on the DF** – Andrei Ungur (Development Aid Director) gave a presentation on the DF, Scholarship Fund and past and current projects. During the Special General Assembly 3269 US DOLLAR (\$) was raised through the Live and Silent auctions and 1624 US DOLLAR (\$) was raised through the auction at the SAVMA Symposium in 2017. The veterinary faculty in Barili, Philippines has been granted to receive funding for purchasing veterinary equipment through the DF for the term 2016-2017. Next to this, the Ohio State University in the United States of America has donated veterinary books, which will be spread amongst the faculties that need it. This year, two MAH-scholarships of 1000 EURO (€) were given to two IVSA members, as well as three IVSA-scholarships of 1000 EURO (€).



(WGP), Working Group on Alumni (WGA) and the Ad Hoc Committee on the Paid Position (AHCPP). Hilary Antosh (IVSA SAVMA and Chair of the Animal Welfare Committee (AWC)) gave a presentation on the work of the AWC. Xavier Canavilhas (IVSA Portugal and Chair of the SCoW) gave a presentation on the work of SCoW.

- c. **Presentation on the MOD activities** – Ondrej Vitula (Member Organization Director and Vice-President), Nina Schmidt (IVSA Denmark and Secretariat), SeongJin Cho (IVSA South Korea and Secretariat) and Maryem Ben Salem (IVSA Tunisia and Secretariat) gave a presentation on the MOD team and the past, current and future projects.

Lucian Todirica (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca and Secretariat) moved to recess at 15.31 GMT+8 until the scheduled time for GA Meeting 2 at 14.00 GMT+8 on the 27th of July 2017. This was approved.

The GA went into recess at 15.31 GMT+8.



General Assembly – Meeting 2

27th of July, 2017

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) called the GA to order at 14.52 GMT+8

Roll Call of active Member Organizations, 14.52 GMT+8

Member Organizations	Present	Absent
Algeria	1	
Austria	1	
Belgium	1	
China	1	
Croatia	1	
Czech Republic	1	
Denmark	1	
Finland	1	
France	1	
Germany	1	
Ghana	1	
Greece	1	
Hungary	1	
Indonesia	1	
Italy	1	
Malaysia	1	
Namibia		1
Netherlands	1	
Norway	1	
Philippines	1	
Poland	1	
Portugal	1	
Romania	1	
SAVMA	1	
South Africa	1	
South Korea	1	
Switzerland	1	
Taiwan	1	
Thailand	1	
Tunisia	1	



UK & Ireland	1	
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Representatives of the Candidate Member Organizations IVSA Algeria, Algiers and IVSA Philippines, CLSU were present as guests.

15. Nominations for the Executive Committee 2017-2018, 14.57 GMT+8

Xavier Canavilhas (IVSA Portugal and Chair of SCoW) nominated Ana-Maria Lipan (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca) for the position of Secretary General. Ana-Maria Lipan (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca) accepted.

Sarah Marnin (IVSA SAVMA) nominated Samuel Williams (IVSA UK & Ireland) for External Relations Officer. Samuel Williams (IVSA UK & Ireland) accepted.

16. Nominations for the Secretariat 2017-2018, 14.59 GMT+8

There were no nominations for Secretariat at this time.

17. Nominations for the Trust 2017-2018, 15.00 GMT+8

There were no nominations for Trust at this time.

18. Nominations for the Chairs of Committees and Working Groups 2017-2018, 15.00 GMT+8

Evy Marie Prado Sanchez (IVSA SAVMA) nominated Vincenzo Gaita (IVSA Italy, Naples) for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Wellness. Vincenzo Gaita (IVSA Italy, Naples) accepted.

Tipsarp Kittisiam (IVSA Thailand) nominated Taylor Strange (IVSA SAVMA) for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Wellness. Taylor Strange (IVSA SAVMA) accepted.

19. Nominations for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium, 15.01 GMT+8

There were no nominations for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium at this time.

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) explained that there were already nominations for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium from IVSA South Korea and IVSA the Netherlands.

20. Nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress, 15.01 GMT+8

There were no nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress at this time.

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) explained that there was already a nomination



21. The 5th Excellence Award, 15.02 GMT+8

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) presented all the nominees for the 5th Excellence Award. The Excellence Award was created by the ExCo in June 2015. The award is granted two times a year, at the IVSA Congress and at the IVSA Symposium. The Award will be given to an IVSA member that, in the opinion of the ExCo, has excelled in his/her position and exceeded what is to be expected of a member in that position. Nominations are sent to the ExCo in the weeks before the start of the General Assembly and the receiver of the award is selected by the ExCo.

Rosie Herrington (IVSA UK & Ireland) was announced to be the receiver of the 5th Excellence Award for all her efforts within IVSA UK & Ireland, within the organization of the World Healthcare Students Symposium (WHSS) and the effort made for collaboration between IVSA and the World Health Organization (WHO).

22. ExCo Meetings – reports on Executive Sessions, 15.04 GMT+8

According to the bylaws, the ExCo has to inform the GA of any Executive Session that were held since the last GA adjourned. Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) stated that there had been three (3) Executive Sessions held since the GA during the Special General Assembly was adjourned.

There were no further questions or comments about the executive sessions held.

23. Bylaw amendment – Animal Welfare Committee, 15.05 GMT+8

Lara Scherer (Committee Coordinator) moved to replace all mentions of “Animal Welfare Committee” with “Standing Committee on Animal Welfare” within the bylaws.

So the bylaws then state the following:

“Standing Committee on Animal Welfare

The Chairman of the Standing Committee on Animal Welfare shall be elected by the General Assembly.

Any member of IVSA may be nominated for the position of Chairman of the Standing Committee on Animal Welfare.”

The motion was adopted after debate.

24. Top ten (10) Member Organizations, 15.09 GMT+8

Ondrej Vitula (Member Organization Director and Vice-President) announced the ‘Top Ten (10) Member Organizations’ and congratulated the Top Member Organization: IVSA



1. IVSA Taiwan
2. IVSA Czech Republic
3. IVSA South Africa
4. IVSA Malaysia, Selangor
5. IVSA UK & Ireland
6. IVSA Slovakia
7. IVSA France, Lyon
8. IVSA Poland, Warsaw
9. IVSA Tunisia
10. IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki

25. Top Group exchange, 15.14 GMT+8

Ondrej Vitula (Member Organization Director and Vice-President) explained there have been fifty (50) group exchanges this year. He announced the Top Three (3) Group Exchange 2016-2017 and congratulated the 'Top Group Exchange 2016-2017' between IVSA Slovakia and IVSA Ghent, Belgium.

Top Three (3) Group Exchange

1. IVSA Slovakia – IVSA Ghent, Belgium
2. IVSA Kosovo – IVSA France, Lyon
3. IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca – IVSA Slovakia

26. Memorandum of Understanding – Vetstream, 15.16 GMT+8

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) presented the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IVSA and Vetstream. Vetstream is a UK-registered company that provides text, diagrams and images covering topics relevant to clinical veterinary treatment of dogs, cats, rabbits, exotics and horses with its primary focus on the provision of content for use by veterinarians in the course of their clinical work. Vetstream and IVSA have already worked together in the past years and have now worked on a new MoU for two (2) years in duration, which is now ready for approval.

Nina Schmidt (IVSA Denmark and Secretariat) moved to approve the proposed MoU between IVSA and Vetstream. This was adopted after short debate and amendment.

27. Report of the Special General Assembly in Raleigh, United States of America, 15.23 GMT+8

Maryem Ben Salem (IVSA Tunisia and Secretariat) moved to postpone the presentation of the Special General Assembly in Raleigh, United States of America until after the point "Endorsement of WSAVA Global Dental Guidelines" on the approved agenda.

28. Bylaw amendment – Alumni Individual Supportive Members Fee, 15.25 GMT+8

Arvid Cardinaels (IVSA Alumni Individual Supportive Member (IVSA AISM) and Chair of



“Student Individual Supportive Members shall pay an annual Membership fee. Alumni Individual Supportive Members shall only pay a Membership Fee once, when they apply for membership. Payment of this fee will grant them lifetime membership.”

The new bylaws would read at “Membership – Members – Individual Supportive Members”:

“Individual Supportive Members shall work toward advancing the objectives of IVSA and promoting awareness of IVSA within the veterinary field. Student Individual Supportive Members shall pay an annual Membership fee. Alumni Individual Supportive Members shall only pay a Membership Fee once, when they apply for membership. Payment of this fee will grant them lifetime membership.”

... and to add the following sentence at the end of the section “Members – Termination of Membership – Active member status”:

“Alumni Individual Supportive Members will be considered active immediately after they have been approved by ExCo and paid their membership fees, and will be considered active for the remainder of their lives.”

The new bylaws would then read at “Membership – Termination of Membership – Active member status”:

A member will be considered active if they have by March 1st of the current Financial year or the end of the application period for the Congress of the current Financial year, whichever comes first,

- *paid their membership fee*
- *updated their contact information by sending the current name and email of their Exchange Officer and local President to the ExCo*

If these conditions are not met the member shall be considered inactive

Alumni Individual Supportive Members will be considered active immediately after they have been approved by ExCo and paid their membership fees, and will be considered active for the remainder of their lives.

... and to add the following sentence at the end of the section “Membership – Membership fees – Individual Supportive Membership Fees”:

*“The formula for the calculation of the Membership Fee of all Individual Supportive members is: Membership fee = (Base factor * GDP factor) in Euro (€). “*

The new bylaws would then read at “Membership – Membership fees – Individual Supportive Membership Fees”:

The base factor for each Individual Supportive Membership category will be decided annually by the General Assembly. The base factor may differ per category and will be proposed separately for each category. The GDP factor is identical to the GDP factor used for the



The motion was extensively discussed. Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) moved the GA to stand at ease for two (2) minutes. This was approved.

The motion was adopted after debate.

29. Honorary Life Membership, 15.50 GMT+8

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) explained persons who have made significant contributions either to IVSA directly or, domestically or internationally, to the profession of veterinary medicine may be nominated by the ExCo for Honorary Life Membership (HLM). HLM is granted by the General Assembly.

Samantha Morici (IVSA SAVMA) moved to award Honorary Life Membership (HLM) to Emma van Rooijen. This was adopted.

Tom Merten (IVSA Germany) moved to recess at 16.02 GMT+8 for thirty (30) minutes. This was approved.

The GA was called to order at 16.32 GMT+8.

30. Presentation of and voting on new Member Organizations, 16.38 GMT+8

Ondrej Vitula (Member Organization Director and Vice-President) moved to approve the applications as National Member Organizations from:

- IVSA France

...and the applications for Local Member Organizations from:

- IVSA Nigeria, Udus
- IVSA Italy, Teramo
- IVSA Iraq, Sulamanyah
- IVSA Macedonia, Skopje
- IVSA Bangladesh, SAU
- IVSA Iraq, Dudok
- IVSA Nigeria, BOVEMSA
- IVSA Turkey, Aydin
- IVSA Ukraine
- IVSA South Australia

This was adopted after short debate.



Malcolm Chong (President) presented the MoU between IVSA and IFMSA. IFMSA is a Dutch-registered student federation that was founded in 1951 and has not only been a dynamic platform of opportunities for the future physicians, but has also served as their voice at the international level. IVSA has been a partner of IFMSA for many years, however, the current MoU ends this year. IVSA and IFMSA have both worked on a new MoU for three (3) years in duration, which is now ready for approval.

The changes in comparison with the former MoU are:

- One fixed spot for an IVSA representative within the IFMSA Delegation at the World Health Assembly (WHA) and one early registration spot at IFMSA GA for any IVSA Member.
- One granted spot at each IVSA GA for an IFMSA representative.

Malcolm Chong (President) moved to approve the proposed MoU between IFMSA and IVSA. This was adopted.

Nina Schmidt (IVSA Denmark and Secretariat) moved to recess at 16.59 GMT+8 until the scheduled time for GA Meeting 3 at 9.30am GMT+8 on the 28th of July 2017. This was approved.

The GA went into recess at 16.59 GMT+8.



General Assembly – Meeting 3

28th of July, 2017

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) called the GA to order at 9.47 GMT+8.

Roll Call of active Member Organizations, 9.47 GMT+8

Member Organizations	Present	Absent
Algeria	1	
Austria	1	
Belgium	1	
China	1	
Croatia	1	
Czech Republic	1	
Denmark	1	
Finland	1	
France	1	
Germany	1	
Ghana	1	
Greece	1	
Hungary	1	
Indonesia	1	
Italy	1	
Malaysia	1	
Namibia		1
Netherlands	1	
Norway		1
Philippines	1	
Poland	1	
Portugal	1	
Romania	1	
SAVMA	1	
South Africa	1	
South Korea	1	
Switzerland	1	
Taiwan	1	
Thailand	1	
Tunisia	1	



UK & Ireland	1	
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Quorum was reached with 64% (30/47 voting entities present and eligible to vote).

Representatives of the Candidate Member Organizations IVSA Algeria, Algiers and IVSA Philippines, CLSU were present as guests.

32. Nominations for the Executive Committee 2017-2018, 9.51 GMT+8

Magdalena Jannasch (IVSA South Africa) nominated Perry Koehler (IVSA SAVMA) for the position of Treasurer. Perry Koehler (IVSA SAVMA) accepted.

Sung-il Kim (IVSA South Korea) nominated Lara Scherer (Committee Coordinator) for the position of Committee Coordinator. Lara Scherer (Committee Coordinator) accepted.

Nina Schmidt (IVSA Denmark and Secretariat) nominated Xavier Canavilhas (IVSA Portugal and Chair of SCoW) for the position of Public Relations Coordinator. Xavier Canavilhas (IVSA Portugal and Chair of SCoW) accepted.

33. Nominations for the Secretariat 2017-2018, 9.53 GMT+8

Charlotte Gloudi (IVSA the Netherlands) nominated Kate Hartzler (IVSA SAVMA) for the position of Secretary. Kate Hartzler (IVSA SAVMA) accepted.

Cheng Hong Chi (IVSA Taiwan) nominated Martin Ostmeier (IVSA Germany) for the position of Secretary. Martin Ostmeier (IVSA Germany) accepted.

Daniel Lund (IVSA Denmark) nominated Andre Firmansyah (IVSA Indonesia) for the position of Secretary. Andre Firmansyah (IVSA Indonesia) accepted.

34. Nominations for the Trust 2017-2018, 9.55 GMT+8

Jordon Egan (UK & Ireland) nominated Malcolm Chong (President) for the position of Trustee. Malcolm Chong (President) accepted.

35. Nominations for the Chairs of Committees and Working Groups 2017-2018, 9.56 GMT+8

Magdalena Jannasch (IVSA South Africa) nominated Nadine Tod (IVSA Austria) for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Animal Welfare. Nadine Tod (IVSA Austria) accepted.

Dominique Flipse (IVSA Belgium, Ghent) nominated Joseph Lunt (IVSA AISM) for the position of Chair of the Working Group on Alumni. Joseph Lunt (IVSA AISM) accepted.

Patrick Biber (IVSA Austria) nominated Rosie Herrington (IVSA UK & Ireland) for Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Collaboration with Global Health Organizations. Rosie



36. Nominations for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium, 9.58 GMT+8

There were no nominations for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium at this time.

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) explained that there were already nominations for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium from IVSA South Korea and IVSA the Netherlands.

37. Nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress, 9.59 GMT+8

Samantha Morici (IVSA SAVMA) nominated IVSA Ghent, Belgium for the 68th IVSA Congress. IVSA Ghent, Belgium accepted.

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) explained that there was already a nomination for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress from IVSA Istanbul, Turkey and that nominations will also be open during the 66th IVSA Symposium in South Africa.

38. Partner Presentation of World Animal Protection (WAP), 10.00 GMT+8

Philip Wilson, External Affairs Advisor of World Animal Protection (WAP), gave a presentation on the organization of WAP formerly known as World Society for Protection of Animals (WSPA), external affairs, collaborations and partners, animals in communities, animals in disasters, animals in farming, animals in the wild and a summary of how veterinary students can help. WAP has protected animals around the globe for more than thirty (30) years, working in more than fifty (50) different countries. The objective is to move the world to protect animals by improving welfare for companion animals, disaster risk reduction and response, improving welfare for farmed animals and improving welfare for animals in the wild.

More information on WAP can be found [here](#).

39. Presentation of Policy paper for approval – Mental Health in the Veterinary Profession, 10.42 GMT+8

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) explained policy papers are general documents explaining IVSA's opinion and beliefs on a general topic. Policy Papers stand for (5) years, and must be accepted by a two-third majority vote during a later meeting of the GA than the meeting in which the policy is first presented to the GA delegates. This specific policy paper would therefore be voted on in GA meeting six (6).

Lara Scherer (Committee Coordinator) explained the content of the policy paper on 'Mental Health in the Veterinary Profession'. This policy paper is the result of the first policy paper competition (won by Laura La Page (IVSA Slovakia)) organized this last year.

40. Bylaw amendment – National MOs, 10.56 GMT+8



Maryem Ben Salem (IVSA Tunisia and Secretariat) moved to postpone the bylaw amendment on National MOs to GA meeting 4 directly after 'Nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress'. This was approved.

Clara Laurent (IVSA France, Lyon and Secretariat) moved to recess for thirty (30) minutes at 10.57 GMT+8. This was approved.

The GA was called to order at 11.37 GMT+8.

41. Presentation on attended events, 11.37 GMT+8

A presentation was given on events attended by IVSA representatives since the 1st of February 2017.

Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) and Caroline Bulstra (IVSA the Netherlands) attended the Yo!Fest in Maastricht, the Netherlands at the 7th of February 2017.

Malcolm Chong (President) and Andrei Ungur (Development Aid Director) attended the SAVMA Symposium 2017. The SAVMA Symposium was held at the College Station, Texas, the United States of America from the 16th to the 19th of March 2017.

Ondrej Vitula (Member Organization Director and Vice-President) attended the Spring Meeting of the Informal Forum for International Student Organizations (IFISO). The IFISO Spring Meeting was held in Graz, Austria from the 6th to the 9th of April 2017.

Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) attended the General Assembly (GA) of the European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education (EAEVE). The EAEVE GA was held at the Royal Veterinary College in London, United Kingdom from the 17th to the 19th of May 2017.

Caroline Bulstra (IVSA the Netherlands) the 70th World Health Assembly (WHA) by the World Health Organisation (WHO). The 70th WHA was held in Geneva, Switzerland from the 21st to the 31st of May 2017.

Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) attended the GA of the European Veterinarians in Education, Research and Industry (EVERI) and the Federation of Veterinarians of Europe (FVE). The EVERI and FVE GA was held in Tallinn, Estonia from the 8th to the 10th of June 2017.

Malcolm Chong (President) attended the General Session of the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE). The OIE General Session was held in Paris, France from the 21st to the 26th of May 2017.

42. Endorsement of WSAVA Global Dental Guidelines, 11.58 GMT+8

Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) explained the WSAVA Global Dental Guidelines



Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) moved to approve the endorsement of WSAVA Global Dental Guidelines. This was adopted.

43. Report of the Special General Assembly in Raleigh, United States of America, 12.01 GMT+8

Samantha Morici (IVSA SAVMA) presented the final report of the Special General Assembly at the North Carolina State University in Raleigh, United States of America. This presentation included the total amount of delegates (100), a summary of the educational, organizational and social program. Samantha Morici (IVSA SAVMA) presented the financial report of the Special General Assembly, including the result, which was a surplus of 51.996,01 DOLLAR (\$). She explained that the major part of this surplus – 50.000 DOLLAR (\$) – did go back to back to SAVMA and the remaining two thousand (2.000) DOLLAR (\$) will most likely be invested in IVSA.

Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) moved to approve the report of the Special General Assembly in Raleigh, United States of America. This was adopted.

44. Presentation for approval of the reports of each ExCo member's working since the handover meeting, 12.25 GMT+8

Martin Ostmeier (IVSA Germany) moved to approve the reports of the ExCo Officers as printed in the General Assembly Booklet. This was approved.

Brooke Barber (IVSA SAVMA) asked if the missing reports were going to be sent. Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) explained one (1) missing report will be received this week and will be shared with the GA as soon as possible.

45. Policy Paper – For discussion – Canned Hunting, 12.28 GMT+8

Lara Scherer (Committee Coordinator) explained the content of the policy paper on 'Canned Hunting'. In addition to this, she explained the main questionable points and opinions about the paper that were already received before the start of the GA. At last, she asked the GA to provide input on the Policy Paper on Canned Hunting.

The discussion that followed was out of order, since there was no actual motion on the floor at that time. The discussion is therefore not included in the minutes.

Maryem Ben Salem (IVSA Tunisia and Secretariat) moved to recess at 13.29 GMT+8 until the scheduled time for GA Meeting 4 at 15.00 GMT+8 on the 30th of July 2017. This was approved.

The GA went into recess at 13.29 GMT+8.



General Assembly – Meeting 4

30th of July, 2017

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) called the GA to order at 15.32 GMT+8.

Roll call of active Member Organizations, 15.32 GMT+8

Member Organizations	Present	Absent
Algeria	1	
Austria	1	
Belgium	1	
China	1	
Croatia	1	
Czech Republic	1	
Denmark	1	
Finland	1	
France	1	
Germany	1	
Ghana	1	
Greece	1	
Hungary	1	
Indonesia	1	
Italy	1	
Malaysia	1	
Namibia	1	
Netherlands	1	
Norway	1	
Philippines	1	
Poland	1	
Portugal	1	
Romania	1	
SAVMA	1	
South Africa	1	
South Korea	1	
Switzerland	1	
Taiwan	1	
Thailand	1	



UK & Ireland	1	
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Quorum was reached with 68% (32/47 voting entities present and eligible to vote).

Representatives of the Candidate Member Organizations IVSA Algeria, Algiers and IVSA Philippines, CLSU were present as guests.

46. Nominations for the Executive Committee 2017-2018, 16.07 GMT+8

Luciano Coppola (IVSA Italy, Naples) nominated Tavishi Pandya (IVSA UK & Ireland) for the position of Member Organization Director. Tavishi Pandya (IVSA UK & Ireland) accepted.

Lady Konfidenia Chintari (IVSA Indonesia) nominated Christina Almazidou (IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki) for the position of Treasurer. Christina Almazidou (IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki) accepted.

Seongjin Cho (IVSA South Korea and Secretariat) nominated Jordon Egan (IVSA UK & Ireland) for the position of Secretary General. Jordon Egan (IVSA UK & Ireland) accepted.

Pieter de Villiers (IVSA South Africa) nominated Seongjin Cho (IVSA South Korea and Secretariat) for the position of Public Relations Coordinator. Seongjin Cho (IVSA South Korea and Secretariat) accepted.

47. Nominations for the Secretariat 2017-2018, 16.10 GMT+8

Samuel Williams (IVSA UK & Ireland) nominated Younes Chaouche (IVSA Algeria, Algiers) for the position of Secretary. Younes Chaouche (IVSA Algeria, Algiers) accepted.

Efstathia Palyvou (IVSA Greece, Thessaly) nominated Kyeonghyeon Jeong (IVSA South Korea) for the position of Secretary. Kyeonghyeon Jeong (IVSA South Korea) accepted.

Nina Schmidt (IVSA Denmark and Secretariat) nominated Hana Henry (IVSA SAVMA) for position of Secretary. Hana Henry (IVSA SAVMA) accepted.

Anna Kowalska (IVSA Poland, Krakow) nominated Lara Muttiah (IVSA UK & Ireland) for the position of Secretary. Lara Muttiah (IVSA UK & Ireland) accepted.

Clara Laurent (IVSA France, Lyon and Secretariat) nominated Theodora Gkolomazou (IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki) for the position of Secretary. Theodora Gkolomazou (IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki) accepted.

Lucian Todirica (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca and Secretariat) nominated Sung-il Kim (IVSA South Korea) for the position of Secretary. Sung-il Kim (IVSA South Korea) accepted.

48. Nominations for the Trust 2017-2018, 16.15 GMT+8



Younes Chaouche (IVSA Algeria, Algiers) nominated Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) for the position of Trustee. Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) accepted.

49. Nominations for the Chairs of Committees and Working Groups 2017-2018, 16.15 GMT+8

Doris Baumgartner (IVSA Austria) nominated Luke Tomaso (IVSA SAVMA) for the position of Chair of the Working Group on Policies. Luke Tomaso (IVSA SAVMA) accepted.

Magdalena Jannasch (IVSA South Africa) nominated Chelsea van Thof (IVSA SAVMA) for the position of Chair of the Working Group on Policies. Chelsea van Thof (IVSA SAVMA) accepted.

50. Nominations for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium, 16.17 GMT+8

There were no nominations for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium at this time.

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) explained that there were already nominations for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium from IVSA South Korea and IVSA the Netherlands.

51. Nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress in 2 years, 16.17 GMT+8

There were no nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress at this time.

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) explained that there were already nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress from IVSA Istanbul, Turkey and IVSA Ghent, Belgium. She also explained nominations will also be open during the 66th IVSA Symposium in South Africa.

52. Bylaw amendment on National MOs, 16.18 GMT+8

Ondrej Vitula (IVSA ExCo) moved to withdraw the bylaw amendment on National MOs.

The extensive discussion that followed was out of order, since there was no actual motion on the floor at that time. With this reason, the discussion is not included in the minutes.

Samantha Morici (IVSA SAVMA) moved to recess for thirty (30) minutes at 17.39 GMT+8. This was approved.

The GA was called to order at 18.30 GMT+8.

53. Strategic Plan – Current status, 18.31 GMT+8

Malcolm Chong (President) presented the current '5-year Strategic Plan' and the '10-year Strategic Plan' to the General Assembly and explained which points of the plan had



54. Presentation of a Preliminary Financial Statement for the current Financial year (2016-2017), 18.56 GMT+8

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) presented the Preliminary Financial Statement for the current financial year (2016-2017). Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) explained the final financial statement will be presented for approval during the 67th IVSA Symposium in South Africa.

55. Presentation of the Budget for the next Financial Year (2017-2018) for approval, 19.01 GMT+8

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) presented the budget for the next Financial year (2017-2018). Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) moved to approve the budget for the next Financial Year (2017-2018).

Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) moved to amend the budget by increasing the amounts budgeted for the events of:

- FVE from 500 EURO (€) to 1000 EURO (€)
- WSAVA from 500 EURO (€) to 1000 EURO (€)
- AVMA from 500 EURO (€) to 1000 EURO (€)

... and decreasing the budget for the event of IFMSA to 500 EURO (€)

...and removing the event of FAVA from the budget.

This was adopted after debate.

Kerstin Abraham (Public Relations Coordinator) moved to increase the budget for the ExCo uniforms from 150 EURO (€) to 500 EURO (€) and to increase the budget for business cards from 80 EURO (€) to 100 EURO (€). Lara Scherer (Committee Coordinator) objected.

Dustin Liechtly (IVSA SAVMA) moved the GA to stand at ease for two (2) minutes at 19.45 GMT+8. This was approved.

The motion was adopted after a card raising vote.

The main motion was adopted after foregoing debate and amendment.

Lucian Todirica (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca and Secretariat) moved to recess at 19.56 GMT+8 until the scheduled time for GA Meeting 5 at 15.00 GMT+8 on the 31st of July 2017. This was approved.

The GA went into recess at 19.56 GMT+8.



General Assembly - Meeting 5

31st of July, 2017

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) called the GA to order at 15.27 GMT+8.

Roll call of active Member Organizations, 15.32 GMT+8

Member Organizations	Present	Absent
Algeria	1	
Austria	1	
Belgium	1	
China	1	
Croatia	1	
Czech Republic	1	
Denmark	1	
Finland	1	
France	1	
Germany	1	
Ghana	1	
Greece	1	
Hungary	1	
Indonesia	1	
Italy	1	
Malaysia	1	
Namibia	1	
Netherlands	1	
Norway	1	
Philippines	1	
Poland	1	
Portugal	1	
Romania	1	
SAVMA	1	
South Africa	1	
South Korea	1	
Switzerland	1	
Taiwan	1	
Thailand	1	
Tunisia	1	



UK & Ireland	1	
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Quorum was reached with 68% (32/47 voting entities present and eligible to vote).

Representatives of the Candidate Member Organizations IVSA Algeria, Algiers and IVSA Philippines, CLSU were present as guests.

56. Nominations for the Executive Committee 2017-2018, 15.59 GMT+8

Jannina Saastamoinen (IVSA SAVMA) withdrew her nomination for the position of Public Relations Coordinator.

Joseph Lunt (IVSA AISM) nominated Charlotte Gloudi (IVSA the Netherlands) for the position of Development Aid Director. Charlotte Gloudi (IVSA the Netherlands) accepted.

There were no further nomination for Committee Coordinator. Lara Scherer (Committee Coordinator) was elected as Committee Coordinator.

57. Nominations for the Secretariat 2017-2018, 16.03 GMT+8

Lidia Steczek (IVSA Poland, Krakow and Election Committee) nominated Daniel Lund (IVSA Denmark) for the position of Secretary. Daniel Lund (IVSA Denmark) accepted.

Tavisha Pandya (IVSA UK & Ireland) nominated Pieter de Villiers (IVSA South Africa) for the position of Secretary. Pieter de Villiers (IVSA South Africa) accepted.

Sietske Ruijgh (IVSA the Netherlands) nominated Jannina Saastamoinen (IVSA SAVMA) for the position of Secretary. Jannina Saastamoinen (IVSA SAVMA) accepted.

58. Nominations for the Trust 2017-2018, 16.06 GMT+8

Xavier Canavilhas (IVSA Portugal) nominated Samantha Morici (IVSA SAVMA) for the position of Trustee. Samantha Morici (IVSA SAVMA) accepted.

There were no further nominations for the Trust. In accordance with the bylaws Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General), Malcolm Chong (President), Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) and Samantha Morici (IVSA SAVMA) were elected as members of the Trust 2017-2018.

59. Nominations for the Chairs of Committees and Working Groups 2017-2018, 16.08 GMT+8

Kelsey Libbe (IVSA SAVMA) nominated Elwin van Oldenburgh (IVSA the Netherlands) for the position of Chair of Standing Committee on Wellness. Elwin van Oldenburg (IVSA the Netherlands) accepted.

Samuel Williams (IVSA UK & Ireland) nominated Sara Marnin (IVSA SAVMA) for the



Kenneth Nii-Armah Armah (IVSA Ghana, Kumasi) nominated Charlotte Neubert (IVSA Germany) for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Wellness. Charlotte Neubert (IVSA Germany) accepted.

Charlotte Neubert (IVSA Germany) nominated Maya Cyganska (IVSA Poland, Warsaw) for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Animal Welfare. Maya Cyganska (IVSA Poland, Warsaw) accepted.

There were no further nominations for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Veterinary Education. Lisa Buren (IVSA the Netherlands) was elected as Chair of the Standing Committee on Veterinary Education.

There were no further nominations for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on One Health. Sarah Marnin (IVSA SAVMA) was elected as Chair of the Standing Committee on One Health.

There were no further nominations for the position of Chair of the Working Group on Alumni. Joseph Lunt (IVSA UK & Ireland) was elected as Chair of the Working Group on Alumni.

60. Nominations for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium, 16.13 GMT+8

There were no nominations for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium at this time.

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) explained that there were already nominations for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium from IVSA South Korea and IVSA the Netherlands.

61. Nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress, 16.13 GMT+8

There were no nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress at this time.

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) explained that there were already nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress from IVSA Istanbul, Turkey and IVSA Ghent, Belgium. She also explained nominations will also be open during the 66th IVSA Symposium in South Africa.

62. Partner Presentation – World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) – 16.15 GMT+8

Dr. Yael Farhi presented the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE). OIE had 181 member countries in 2017 and the mission of OIE is to improve animal health and animal welfare worldwide. The world assembly of delegates, consisting of the head of the veterinary services of the countries, is the highest authority of OIE. The OIE develops standards for international trade of animals and their products and qualities of veterinary services, which have to be approved by the world assembly of delegates.



upcoming events will be World Rabies Day, World Antibiotic Awareness Week, World Veterinary Day and the Rinderpest Campaign. All IVSA Presidents/Exchange Officers can become OiE Ambassador, however, all students can be nominated by their Member Organization to become OiE ambassador instead of the President/EO. The best OiE ambassadors will be rewarded.

More information on OiE can be found [here](#).

Nina Schmidt (IVSA Denmark and Secretariat) moved to recess for twenty (20) minutes at 16.55 GMT+8.

The GA was called to order at 17.30 GMT+8.

63. Voting on the Base factors, 17.30 GMT+8

Arvid Cardinaels (IVSA AISM and Chair of the WGA) moved to set a base factor of 25 for Member Organizations and to set a base factor of 6 for individual supportive members to and 3 for alumni individual supportive members. This was approved.

64. Nominations and voting on auditors, 17.33 GMT+8

Mohamed Ali Dabboub Dali (IVSA Tunisia) nominated Kelsey Libbe (IVSA SAVMA) for the position of Auditor for the budget of the financial year of 2016-2017. Kelsey Libbe (IVSA SAVMA) accepted.

I-jin Maggie Lee (IVSA South Africa) nominated June Chung (IVSA Malaysia, Selangor) for the position of Auditor for the budget of the financial year of 2016-2017. June Chung (IVSA Malaysia, Selangor) accepted.

65. Update on the history project, 17.35 GMT+8

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) showed a pre-recorded presentation of Emma van Rooijen (Honorary Life Member and Trustee), who gave an update on the history project.

66. Bylaw amendments – Online attendance, 17.43 GMT+8

Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) explained the set of bylaw amendments regarding online attendance.

- I. Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) explained it has shown in the past that organizing online attendance and maintaining contact with the attending countries was too much work for the ExCo. For this reason, the bylaw amendment for the Online Attendance Committee (OAC) was created.

Denise moved to insert the following section after Committees and Groups - Election Committee:



Online attendance of the special session of the GA shall be governed by the Online Attendance Committee (OAC).

The OAC consists of four (4) people including at least one member of the ExCo, one member of the Secretariat, one member of the Trust and one member of the Organizing Committee (OC). A member of the OAC may be dismissed by the President, if the ExCo deems the member is not fulfilling its duties.

The members of the OAC will be appointed by the ExCo at least 60 days prior to the start of a special session of the GA during which Online Attendance is allowed.

Once a member accepts the appointment of member of the OAC, he/she may not resign until the end of the special session of the GA. A member of the OAC may be dismissed by the President, if the ExCo deems that the member is not fulfilling his duties.

The OAC will automatically dissolve after the special session of the GA for which they were appointed, has adjourned.”

The following explanatory comment will be added: *“The OAC will only be appointed when a special session of the GA has been summoned. More information on the tasks of the OAC, can be found in the ‘Manual on Online Attendance’.”*

Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) moved to remove the second sentence of the second paragraph of the amendment: *“A member of the OAC may be dismissed by the President, if the ExCo deems the member is not fulfilling its duties.”* This was approved.

Brook Barber (IVSA SAVMA) moved to replace ‘his’ in the fifth (5th) paragraph of the amendment with *his/her*. This was approved.

The amended main motion (see below) was unanimously adopted and the bylaws were amended.

Amended main motion:

“Online Attendance Committee (heading 1)

Online attendance of the special session of the GA shall be governed by the Online Attendance Committee (OAC).

The OAC consists of four (4) people including at least one member of the ExCo, one member of the Secretariat, one member of the Trust and one member of the Organizing Committee (OC).

The members of the OAC will be appointed by the ExCo at least 60 days prior to the start of a special session of the GA during which Online Attendance is allowed.

Once a member accepts the appointment of member of the OAC, he/she may not

The OAC will automatically dissolve after the special session of the GA for which they were appointed, has adjourned.”

- II. Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) explained the Executive Committee may summon a special session of the General Assembly (GA). This can happen when ExCo thinks it is necessary to have a GA in addition to the GAs during congress and symposium. Another possibility is that the special session of the GA is to replace a lost GA because there was no host for congress/symposium or the host had to cancel the event. As the wording about online attendance during special sessions of the GA could lead to misinterpretation and confusion, the Taskforce on Online Attendance suggested amendment of the bylaws.

Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) moved to replace the words “*special General Assembly*” with the words “*special session of the General Assembly*” in point 8 of the section - Congresses and Symposia - Hosting a Congress or Symposium and in point 12 of the section - Congresses and Symposium - Responsibilities of the OC.

... and moved to replace the words “*special session of the General Assembly*” with “*Extraordinary General Assembly*” in point 2 and 3, to replace the words “*special session*” with “*Extraordinary General Assembly*” in point 4 and to replace “*the special session*” with “*special sessions*” in point 5 of the section - General Assemblies - Sessions of the General Assemblies.

The new bylaws would then read:

Section 2.4 - Sessions of the General Assembly

1. *In addition to the biannual sessions of the General Assembly held during Congresses and Symposia, the ExCo may summon special sessions of the General Assembly to be known as an “Extraordinary General Assemblies” upon receipt by the President of IVSA of a request for such from two thirds (2/3) of the Member Organizations.*
2. *The Extraordinary General Assembly shall be summoned no later than 30 days after the request issued to the President.*
3. *The Extraordinary General Assembly may not convene earlier than 30 days after being summoned by the President.*
4. *The decisions of the Extraordinary General Assembly shall be limited to matters stated in the request for such a session.*
5. *The time and venue of special sessions of the General Assembly shall be determined by the ExCo.*
6. *Special sessions of the General Assembly may have some members attending electronically.*
7. *Special sessions of the General Assembly may be electronic meetings with no possibility of attendance in person, in which case the ExCo need not specify a central venue for the meeting*



“If no Member Organization applies to host a Congress or Symposium by the appointed time, the ExCo in office at the time the Congress or Symposium was due to be held will convene a special session of the General Assembly to replace the General Assembly lost due to the Congress or Symposium not being hosted.”

Section 11.4 - Responsibilities of the OC
Point 12.

In case of a cancellation, the ExCo in office at the time the Congress or Symposium was due to be held will convene a special session of the General Assembly to replace the General Assembly lost due to the Congress or Symposium being cancelled.

This was adopted and the bylaws were amended.

- I. Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) explained the bylaws already state rules for electronic meetings, however, these rules are not specific enough regarding online attendance. Therefore, the Taskforce on Online Attendance, suggested to amend the section of the bylaws regarding meetings held electronically and rules for those meetings.

Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) moved to strike out “*Except as results of votes*” of the section ‘Meetings held electronically’ and replace it with the following paragraph:

“Except as otherwise stated in these Bylaws, any meetings with some or all members attending electronically shall be conducted through the use of internet meeting services. Electronic meetings, excluding special sessions of the GA, shall be designated by the President or Chairman of the body that is meeting. The Online Attendance Committee (OAC) shall designate the online attendees of a special session of the GA.

The internet meeting services should:

- *Support anonymous voting*
- *Support visible displays identifying those participating*
- *Show those seeking recognition to speak*
- *Show the texts of pending motions*
- *Show the results of votes”*

Electronic meetings shall be subject to all rules adopted by the body that is meeting, or by the Association, to govern them, which may include any reasonable limitations on, and requirements for, members' participation. Any such rules formally adopted by the convening body shall supersede any conflicting rules in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, but may not otherwise conflict with or alter any rule or decision of the Association.

An anonymous vote conducted through the designated internet meeting service shall be deemed to be a ballot vote, fulfilling any requirements that a vote be conducted



Unless specified otherwise by the body that is meeting, members attending a meeting electronically have the same rights of attendance, speech and proposal as members who are present in person. Any specification should be the first order of business, and must be approved at the start of the first meeting with a 2/3 majority of the voting members.

...and to Add the sentence “*In the case of a special session of the GA, the OAC shall schedule internet meeting availability to begin no less than 30 minutes before the start of the GA.*” at the end of point 1. of the section Meetings held electronically
- Rules for Electronic Meetings.

The motion was adopted and the bylaws were amended.

Nina Schmidt (IVSA Denmark and Secretariat) moved to recess for five (5) minutes at 18.08 GMT+8. This was approved.

The GA was called to order at 18.21 GMT+8.

67. Presentation on the 67th IVSA Congress in Krakow, Poland, 18.22 GMT+8

Lidia Steczek (IVSA Poland, Krakow and Election Committee) presented the 67th IVSA congress in in Krakow, Poland including an overview of the preliminary itinerary and visa requirements, the accommodation and organizing committee. The congress will be held from the 16th of July to the 27th of July 2017. The maximum fee will be four hundred (400) EURO (€) and there will be places available for a maximum of two-hundred to two-hundred-and-fifty (200-250) delegates.

68. Voting on the maximum fee for the 67th IVSA Congress in Krakow, Poland, 18.41 GMT+8

Lara Scherer moved to set a maximum fee of four-hundred (400) EURO (€) for the 67th IVSA Congress in Krakow, Poland. This was adopted after debate.

Samantha Morici (IVSA SAVMA) moved to recess at 18.53 GMT+8 until the scheduled time for GA Meeting 6 at 11.30am GMT+8 on the 1st of August 2017. This was approved.

The GA went into recess at 18.54 GMT+8.



General Assembly – Meeting 6

1st of August, 2017

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) called the GA to order at 12.21 GMT+8.

Roll call of active Member Organizations, 12.21 GMT+8

Member Organizations	Present	Absent
Algeria		1
Austria	1	
Belgium	1	
China	1	
Croatia	1	
Czech Republic	1	
Denmark	1	
Finland	1	
France	1	
Germany	1	
Ghana	1	
Greece	1	
Hungary	1	
Indonesia	1	
Italy	1	
Malaysia	1	
Namibia	1	
Netherlands	1	
Norway		1
Philippines	1	
Poland	1	
Portugal	1	
Romania	1	
SAVMA	1	
South Africa	1	
South Korea	1	
Switzerland	1	
Taiwan	1	
Thailand	1	
Tunisia	1	



UK & Ireland	1	
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Quorum was reached with 64% (30/47 voting entities present and eligible to vote).

Representatives of the Candidate Member Organizations IVSA Algeria, Algiers and IVSA Philippines, CLSU were present as guests

69. Nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress, 12.30 GMT+8

Paul Set (IVSA Namibia) nominated IVSA Croatia for the 68th IVSA Congress. IVSA Croatia accepted.

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) explained that there were already nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress from IVSA Istanbul, Turkey and IVSA Ghent, Belgium. She also explained nominations will also be open during the 66th IVSA Symposium in South Africa.

70. Presentations of nominees for the Executive Committee (ExCo) 2017-2018, 12.32 GMT+8

Kelsey Libbe (IVSA SAVMA), requested the Report Cards for all the nominees that currently hold a position as an IVSA Official to be published along with the motivation letters of said nominees.

Ana-Maria Lipan (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca) presented her nomination for the position of Secretary General.

Jordon Egan (IVSA UK & Ireland) presented her nomination for the position of Secretary General.

The nominees for the position of Secretary General were discussed by the GA for three (3) minutes.

Nina Schmidt (IVSA Denmark and Secretariat) presented her nomination for the position of Member Organization Director.

Maryem Ben Salem (IVSA Tunisia and Secretariat) presented her nomination for the position of Member Organization Director.

Tavishi Pandya (IVSA UK & Ireland) presented her nomination for the position of Member Organization Director.

The nominees for the position of Member Organization Director were discussed by the GA for three (3) minutes.

Lucian Todirica (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca and Secretariat) presented his nomination for the position of Development Aid Director.



Charlotte Gloudi (IVSA the Netherlands) presented her nomination for the position of Development Aid Director.

The nominees for the position of Development Aid Director were discussed by the GA for three (3) minutes.

Branden Nettles (IVSA SAVMA and Parliamentarian) presented his nomination for the position of External Relations Officer.

Samuel Williams (IVSA UK & Ireland) presented his nomination for the position of External Relations Officer.

The nominees for the position of External Relations Officer were discussed by the GA for three (3) minutes.

Lucian Todirica (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca) moved to recess for one (1) hour at 13.56 GMT+8.

The GA was called to order at 15.11 GMT+8.

Xavier Canavilhas (IVSA Portugal and Chair of SCoW) presented his nomination for the position of Public Relations Coordinator.

Seongjin Cho (IVSA South Korea and Secretariat) presented his nomination for the position of Public Relations Coordinator.

The nominees for the position of Public Relations Coordinator were discussed by the GA for three (3) minutes.

Andrei Ungur (Development Aid Director) presented his nomination for the position of Treasurer.

Perry Koehler (IVSA SAVMA) presented his nomination for the position of Treasurer.

Christina Almazidou (IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki) presented her nomination for the position of Treasurer.

The nominees for the position of Treasurer were discussed by the GA for three (3) minutes.

Lara Scherer (Committee Coordinator) presented her nomination for the position of Committee Coordinator.

Andrei Ungur (Development Aid Director), Ana-Maria Lipan (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca), Nina Schmidt (IVSA Denmark and Secretariat), Seongjin Cho (IVSA South Korea and Secretariat), Christina Almazidou (IVSA Greece, Thessaly) and Xavier Canavilhas (IVSA



71. Presentations of nominees for the Secretariat 2017-2018, 15.56 GMT+8

Kate Hartzler (IVSA SAVMA) presented her nomination for the position of Secretary.

Martin Ostmeier (IVSA Germany) presented his nomination for the position of Secretary.

Andre Firmansyah (IVSA Indonesia) presented his nomination for the position of Secretary.

Younes Chaouche (IVSA Algeria, Algiers) presented his nomination for the position of Secretary.

Kyeinghyeon Jeong (IVSA South Korea) presented his nomination for the position of Secretary.

Hana Mariko Henry (IVSA SAVMA) presented her nomination for the position of Secretary.

Lara Muttiah (IVSA UK & Ireland) presented her nomination for the position of Secretary.

Theodora Gkolomazou (IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki) presented her nomination for the position of Secretary.

Sung-il Kim (IVSA South Korea) presented his nomination for the position of Secretary.

Daniel Lund (IVSA Denmark) presented his nomination for the position of Secretary.

Pieter de Villiers (IVSA South Africa) presented his nomination for the position of Secretary.

Jannina Saastamoinen (IVSA SAVMA) presented her nomination for the position of Secretary.

The nominees for Secretariat 2017-2018 were discussed by the GA for five (5) minutes.

72. Presentations of nominees for the Trust 2017-2018, 16.36 GMT+8

Samantha Morici (IVSA SAVMA) presented the nomination of all four (4) Trustees – Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General), Malcolm Chong (President), Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) and Samantha Morici (IVSA SAVMA).

73. Presentations of nominees for the Chairs of Committees and Working Groups 2017-2018, 16.37 GMT+8

Sarah Marnin (IVSA SAVMA) presented her nomination for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on One Health.



Nadine Tod (IVSA Austria) presented her nomination for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Animal Welfare.

Maya Cyganska (IVSA Poland, Warsaw) presented her nomination for position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Animal Welfare via a video that was sent in before the start of the GA Meeting 6.

The nominees for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Animal Welfare were discussed for two (2) minutes.

Vincezo Gaita (IVSA Italy, Naples) presented his nomination for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Wellness.

Taylor Strange (IVSA SAVMA) presented her nomination for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Wellness.

Elwin van Oldenborgh (IVSA the Netherlands) presented his nomination for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Wellness.

Charlotte Neubert (IVSA Germany) presented her nomination for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Wellness.

The nominees for the position of Chair of the Standing Committee on Wellness were discussed for two (2) minutes.

Luke Tomaso (IVSA SAVMA) presented his nomination for the position of Chair of the Working Group on Policies.

Chelsea van Thof (IVSA SAVMA) presented her nomination for the position of Chair of the Working Group on Policies.

The nominees for the position of Chair of the Working Group on Policies were discussed for two (2) minutes.

Joseph Lunt (IVSA AISM) presented his nomination for the position of Chair of the Working Group on Alumni.

Evy Marie Prado Sanchez (IVSA SAVMA) presented her nomination for the position of Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Collaboration with Global Health Organizations.

Rosie Herrington (IVSA UK & Ireland) presented her nomination for the position of Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Collaboration with Global Health Organizations via a video sent in before the start of GA Meeting 6.

The nominees for the position of Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Collaboration with



Lara Scherer (Committee Coordinator) moved to recess for five (5) minutes at 17.40 GMT+8. This was approved.

The GA was called to order at 17.47 GMT+8.

74. Presentations of nominees for hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium, 17.47 GMT+8

Seongjin Cho (IVSA South Korea and Secretariat) and Seunghun Heo (IVSA South Korea) presented the nomination for the hosting the 67th IVSA Symposium. They explained the main theme of the 67th IVSA Symposium in South Korea and how many delegates the Organizing Committee (OC) would be able to host (one-hundred-and-fifty (150) delegates). The proposed fee would be around three-hundred (300) EURO (€). The proposed dates are between 14th and 22nd of January 2017.

Sietske Ruijgh (IVSA the Netherlands) and Charlotte Gloudi (IVSA the Netherlands) presented the nomination for the host of the 67th IVSA Symposium, of which the main theme would be 'Innovation and sustainability'. The 67th IVSA Symposium in The Netherlands would host up to two-hundred (200) delegates and the proposed fee would be between three hundred (300) and three hundred and fifty (350) EURO (€). The proposed dates would be the 30th of December until the 7th of January.

75. Policy paper – For approval – Mental Health in the Veterinary Profession, 18.15 GMT+8

Lara Scherer (Committee Coordinator) moved to accept the Policy Paper – Mental Health in the Veterinary Profession. Ann-Katrin Autz explained this policy paper was presented in an earlier meeting of the GA and is now again open for discussion.

Arvid Cardinaels (IVSA AISM and Chair of the WGA) moved to replace all mentions of 'veterinary doctors' with 'veterinarians'. This was approved.

Dustin Liechtly suggested to remove the names of doctor Sophia Yin and doctor Jian Zicheng in the fifth (5th) paragraph of the paper. This was discussed.

Martin Ostmeier (IVSA Germany) moved the GA to stand at ease for four (4) minutes at 18.22 GMT+8 . This was accepted.

Kelsey Libbe (IVSA SAVMA) moved to remove the double period in the fifth (5th) paragraph. This was accepted.

The main motion was adopted after debate by card raising vote with a majority of the votes cast in favor.

Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) moved to recess at 18.48 GMT+8 until the scheduled time for GA Meeting 7 at 10.00am GMT+8 on the 3rd of August. This was





General Assembly – Meeting 7

3rd of August, 2017

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) called the GA to order at 9.39 GMT+8.

Roll Call of Active Member Organizations, 9.39 GMT+8

Member Organizations	Present	Absent
Algeria		1
Austria	1	
Belgium	1	
China	1	
Croatia	1	
Czech Republic	1	
Denmark	1	
Finland	1	
France	1	
Germany	1	
Ghana	1	
Greece	1	
Hungary	1	
Indonesia	1	
Italy	1	
Malaysia	1	
Namibia	1	
Netherlands	1	
Norway	1	
Philippines	1	
Poland	1	
Portugal	1	
Romania	1	
SAVMA	1	
South Africa	1	
South Korea	1	
Switzerland	1	
Taiwan	1	
Thailand	1	
Tunisia	1	



UK & Ireland	1	
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Quorum was reached with 66% (31/47 voting entities present and eligible to vote).

Representatives of the Candidate Member Organizations IVSA Algeria, Algiers and IVSA Philippines, CLSU were present as guests.

76. Nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress, 9.43 GMT+8

Ann-Katrin Autz (Chairman and Trustee) explained that there were already nominations for hosting the 68th IVSA Congress from IVSA Istanbul, Turkey, IVSA Ghent, Belgium and IVSA Croatia. She also explained nominations will also be open during the 66th IVSA Symposium in South Africa.

Lara Scherer (Committee Coordinator) moved to postpone the agenda point 'Election of the Executive Committee' and 'Election of Chairs of the Committees and Working Groups, Secretariat and the 67th IVSA Symposium' until after the agenda point 'Presentation on the 66th IVSA Symposium in South-Africa'. This was approved.

77. Presentation on the 66th IVSA Symposium in South-Africa, 9.44 GMT+8

Magdalena Jannasch (IVSA South-Africa) presented the 66th IVSA Symposium including an overview of the preliminary itinerary with the team 'the big five of veterinary medicine', vaccinations and visa requirements. The Symposium will be held from the 9th– 19th of December 2017. The fee will be three-hundred-and-fifty (350) EURO (€) and there will be places available for a maximum of hundred-and-twenty (120) delegates. Applications open on the 16th of August and close the 16th of September. There will be a post-symposium programme of five (5) days, which will cost three-hundred-and-fifty (350) EURO (€).

Tom Merten (IVSA Germany) moved to postpone the agenda points 'Election of the Executive Committee' and 'Election of Chairs of the Committees and Working Groups, Secretariat and the 67th IVSA Symposium' until after the agenda point 'Presentation of collaboration with Vetstream'. This was approved.

78. Presentation of collaboration with Vetstream, 10.06 GMT+8

Michael Huang (IVSA China) presented the new SCoVE ambassador project. A point system was explained, based on which three (3) winners will be chosen by Vetstream and SCoVE each half a year. The prizes rewarded will be fully or partly trips to big veterinary congresses.

Clara Laurent (IVSA France, Lyon and Secretariat) moved to recess for five (5) minutes at 10.16 GMT+8. This was approved.

The GA was called to order at 10.34 GMT+8.



Tom Merten (IVSA Germany) moved to postpone the agenda points 'Election of the Executive Committee' and 'Election of Chairs of the Committees and Working Groups, Secretariat and the 67th IVSA Symposium' until after the agenda point 'Memorandum of Understanding – EAEVE'. This was adopted.

79. Memorandum of Understanding – EAEVE, 10.36 GMT+8

Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) presented the European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education (EAEVE) and European System of Evaluation of Veterinary Training (ESEVT) system and the associated visitation system. Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) moved to accept the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IVSA and EAEVE. This was approved.

80. Election of the Executive Committee 2017-2018 (continued after recess), 10.48 GMT+8

Kerstin Abraham (Public Relations Coordinator and Election Committee), gave a presentation on the voting procedures in the IVSA Officials and IVSA Symposium elections.

Xavier Canavilhas (IVSA Portugal and Chair of SCoW) withdrew his nomination for the position of Public Relations Coordinator. As a result, Seongjin Cho (IVSA South Korea and Secretariat) was elected as Public Relations Coordinator without a vote.

Lara Scherer (Committee Coordinator) moved to recess until the results of the 'Election of the Executive Committee 2017-2018' were available at 11.13 GMT+8. This was approved.

The GA was called to order at 12.05 GMT+8.

81. Results of the election of the Executive Committee 2017-2018, 12.05 GMT+8

The voting on the nominees for the Executive Committee was conducted by written ballot.

Jordon Egan (IVSA UK & Ireland) was elected as Secretary General with 37 out of 62 votes cast (59,7%).

Nina Schmidt (IVSA Denmark and Secretariat) was elected as Member Organization Director with 34 out of 62 votes cast (54,8%).

Lucian Todirica (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca and Secretariat) was elected as Development Aid Director with 51 out of 62 votes cast (82,3%).

Branden Nettles (IVSA SAVMA and Parliamentarian) was elected as External Relations Officer with 41 out of 62 votes cast (66,1%).



Almazidou (IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki), were redistributed to the remaining nominees according to the second preference indicated on the written ballots.

After redistribution, still no absolute majority was achieved by any nominee. Therefore, there was voted again on the position Treasurer.

Lucian Todirica (IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca and Secretariat) moved to recess for thirty (30) minutes at 12.11 GMT+8.

The GA was called back to order at 12.53 GMT+8.

82. Election of Treasurer (continued after recess), 12.53 GMT+8

Kerstin Abraham (Public Relations Coordinator and Election Committee) explained the voting procedure in the Treasurer election.

Pieter de Villiers (IVSA South Africa) moved to recess for five (5) minutes at 13.05 GMT+8. This was approved.

The GA was called back to order at 13.15 GMT+8.

83. Results of the election of the Treasurer, 13.15 GMT+8

The voting on the nominees for the Treasurer was conducted by written ballot.

Perry Koehler (IVSA SAVMA) was elected as Treasurer with 31 out of 58 votes cast (53,5%).

Malcolm Chong moved the GA to stand at ease for two (2) minutes. This was approved.

84. Election of Chairs of the Committees and Working Groups, Secretariat and the 67th IVSA Symposium (continued after recess), 13.20 GMT+8

Xavier Canavilhas (IVSA Portugal and Chairman of SCoW) moved to recess until the results of the election of Chairs of the Committees and Working Groups, Secretariat and Symposium were available at 13.30 GMT+8. This was approved.

The GA was called back to order at 15.08 GMT+8.

85. Results of the election of Chairs of the Committees and Working Groups, Secretariat and the 67th IVSA Symposium, 15.08 GMT+8

The voting on the nominees for Chairs of the Committees and Working Groups, Secretariat and the 67th IVSA Symposium was conducted by written ballot vote.

Nadine Tod (IVSA Austria) was elected as Chair of the Standing Committee on Animal



Taylor Strange (IVSA SAVMA) was elected as Chair of the Standing Committee on Wellness (SCoW) with 36 out of 62 votes cast (58,1%).

Luke Tomaso (IVSA SAVMA) was elected as Chair of the Working Group on Policies WGP with 47 out of 62 votes cast (75,8%).

Rosie Herrington (IVSA UK & Ireland) was elected as Chair for the Ad Hoc Committee on Collaboration with Global Health Organizations with 46 out of 62 votes cast (74,2%).

Sung-il Kim, Maryem Ben Salem, Younes Chaouche, Charlotte Gloudi, Tavishi Pandya, Martin Ostmeier, Andre Firmansyah and Pieter de Villiers were elected as members of the Secretariat 2017-2018.

IVSA South Korea was elected as the Host for the 67th IVSA Symposium with 48 out of 62 votes cast (77,4%).

86. Any Other Business, 15.15 GMT+8

a. Proposal of a Bylaw amendment without prior notice – ‘Meetings held electronically’, 15.15 GMT+8

Branden Nettles (IVSA SAVMA and Parliamentarian) explained ExCo only became aware of the need of this bylaw amendment after approval of the bylaw amendment on Online Attendance earlier this week. He explained the bylaws currently state a double paragraph at the section ‘meetings held electronically’. This section needs to be removed.

Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) moved to entertain the motion to amend the bylaws regarding the ‘Meetings held electronically’.

Branden Nettles (IVSA SAVMA and Parliamentarian) explained a written ballot vote was needed to vote on this motion. To have the motion being adopted, unanimous approval was needed.

The motion did not pass with 50 out of 56 votes cast in favor (89%).

b. Paper on Shelter medicine, 15.33 GMT+8

Michael Huang (IVSA China) explained the policy paper on shelter medicine that has recently be written by SCoVE. Michael Huang (IVSA China) moved to discuss the policy paper on shelter medicine as it stands right now.

No questions and concerns were raised. By an informal raise of hands there was made clear that this topic is important for the students to be able to follow courses on and SCoVE will continue working on this topic. The discussion was closed.

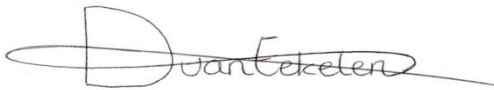


Arvid Cardinaels (IVSA AISM and Chair of the WGA) explained he could normally receive reimbursement of a part of the congress fee as Chair of a Working Group, as could Michael Huang as Chair of SCoVE. However, they attend the alumni event and do not pay congress fee, but alumni event fee. However, they do not get reimbursed for alumni event fee. Arvid moved himself and Michael to receive reimbursement for attending the alumni event.

The motion was adopted after debate by card raising vote with a majority of the votes cast in favor.

Denise van Eekelen (Secretary General) moved to adjourn the General Assembly of the 66th of IVSA Congress in Malaysia.

The GA adjourned at 16.09 GMT+8.



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