



26th.October.2025 – Agenda of the 3rd Online Meeting of ExCo 2025-2026

The 3rd Online Meeting of IVSA Executive Committee (ExCo) 2025-2026 was held at 12 PM UTC+0 on 26th.October.2025. Tamy Negrón García (President) was present to Chair and Ji Xiu Tan (Secretary General) was present to take the minutes.

Attendance

ExCo 2025-26:

Name	Position
Tamy Valeria Negrón García	President
Ryan Sequeira	Member Organisation Director
Ji Xiu Tan	Secretary General
Ignacio Salazar	Development Aid Director
Rebecca Agnes Biskamp	Public Relations Coordinator
Violet Adeline Wierbos	Committee Coordinator
Seohyun Im	Treasurer
Ishaan Acharya	External Relations Officer

Other Officials:

Naveen Joseph Vincent

Stavros Lapathiotis

Avnish Gala

Ana Žiković

Aaryn Ko

Muhammad Abdul Samad

Catalina Ortiz





Daria Bacza
Omer Faruk Deren
Alecia Kan
Ekwe Chinwendu
Vendula Ratajova
Prakriti Chaudhary
Bertina Sum
Deep Kumar Shrestha
Prothoma Kalidaha
Daniela Galiano Huapalla
John Gyan
Eirini Polygerou
Neha Sunil
Joel Itangirubuntu
Felix Metzger

1. Opening & Introduction - Ms. Negrón

2. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved with the addition of ECCVT Working Group on Day 1 Competencies, ECCVT representative for the next 2 years, New York Vet Show discussion points under the ExCos section.

3. Approval of the minutes

The minutes were approved without any additional points.

4. Trust Updates

4.1. Updates

Avnish Gala

- Scheduled a meeting with the IVSA Alumni to plan on the future events
- Anonymous complaint form for officials to report any issues
- Reminded the trust's role in solving internal problems and providing support

5. Taskforces Updates

5.1. Updates

Event Strategic Taskforce - Avnish Gala

Tamy

- Avnish was selected as the chair for this taskforce





Avnish

- Currently busy collecting data from everyone for events
- Working on formation of a team, hopefully by next week the application post will be sent

Violet Adeline Wierbos commented:

- She has requested the chairs and secretaries to upload files related to EST to the shared drive with Avnish
- Offers to help with any specific file requests

History Taskforce - Violet Adeline Wierbos

- Launch application form for team application
- Issue with the applicants, most of them are AI generated
- Requested help from other officials to share the post again, so they can get more applications that are not AI-generated
- Mentioned ongoing efforts to reach out to Elwin for collaboration
- Went through the Action Plan with John Gyan
- Once the team is formed, it will be separated into 2 groups, one focusing on the digital archives, the other one focusing on creative works like the history booklet
- Received inquiry from the alumni network to reach out to past alumni for more information

6. ExCo Updates (Time limit: 20 min)

6.1. Updates

ERO - Ishaan Acharya

- Sent emails to follow-up with potential sponsors met at the WSAVA Congress
- Scheduled meeting with the past and potential sponsors, somewhere in the beginning of the November
- Chairs, Regional Representative, MOD and CC have been actively participating in the creation of sponsorship booklet
- Currently representing IVSA at WOAHA event at Geneva
- Hoping to get our policy paper reviewed in this event
- Met the previous IVSA ExCos at the event
- Highlighted the positive feedback from chairs and regional representatives during a training meeting and offers to attend meetings if needed

CC - Violet

- Had 1 on 1 meeting with most of Chairs and Secretaries
- Feedback for the ExCo updates template is working well based on the evaluation form
- Attended almost all of the team meeting under the standing committees and networks
- Trying to have regular meeting with the secretaries and the chairs, at least once per month
- Chain of communication is having some issues, hence she has prepared a toolkit
- Attended Global AMR Summit's 1st meeting on behalf of Ekaa, involved in the creation





of concept note

- First President and EO meeting
- Attended a meeting with SCOVE External Relations Officer and Royal Canin, MVH
- Creation of the ER database
- ERO/CC secretary Naveen Joseph Vincent is assisting her in creating guidelines
- Meera working on forming a database for the SC/N at the local level, because as for now, there is not much information about them
- Was in Brussels attending the ECCVT meeting
- Preparing for the representation at WOAH
- Policy meeting scheduled on the Saturday of next week, all officials will receive an invitation
- Ambassador program meeting, wanting to launch it in November
- Mentioned that there may be delayed response due to her academic commitments and ongoing IVSA projects

MOD - Ryan Sequeira

- Almost done with I on I meeting with the regional representatives, other than Europe and the SSA
- Emails have been sent out to the MOs about the exchange contract
- Secretaries working on the minutes for the first President/EO meeting
- Purina Competition was delayed because we could not find any IVSA representatives, but with the help of IVSA Italy president, we were able to get 1 representative from each university
- Replying to emails to the members about the Members Portal
- Reminded all Officials to login to the Members Portal
- Certificate for the top MO competition and Excellence Award have been sent out
- From I on I meeting, noted issues with external relations

Tamy asked when the next President and EO meeting would be held.

Ryan replied that it should be in January 2026 and before the Ghana Symposium.

SG - Ji Xiu Tan

- Completed secretaries meeting
- Working on ensuring the progress according to the General Assembly (GA) timeline
- Joined the executive session involving one of the IVSA member, pointed out that there are several points needed to be changed in the Code of Conduct (COC) document
- Sent his video introduction to Rebecca Agnes Biskamp for the PRC project
- Updates on Singapore Vet Show:
 - Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Society (VECCS) mentioned that they have student chapters under different veterinary schools, namely the Student Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care Society (SVECCS)
 - Approached Vet Plus
 - Greeted partners and companies like WSAVA, Singapore Veterinary Association (SVA), Yonker Vet, Visual Tech, Mindray, etc
 - Mindray expressed interest in the potential to collaborate with our organisation





Tamy added that she joined the secretaries meeting and she thinks it is very helpful, as we get to know how things are working from their perspective.
Ishaan requested Ji Xiu to share the experience with Vet Plus.

President - Tamy

- Had an Executive Session few days ago
- As the context, we received a complaint from an individual that their MO is revoking his IVSA membership
- With the help of the Core Panels, a decision was made to stop the person from joining any IVSA related opportunities and events for one year
- Had a meeting with Royal Canin and Ishaan will be following up on the MoU
- Meeting a potential new partners for the Asia region
- European Board of Veterinary Specialisation (EBVS) invited her to give a presentation about IVSA, Eirini Polygerou will be replacing Tamy for that
- Had a meeting with IAAS International Association of Agriculture Student
- Has been discussing with Chris, the president of IAAS to involve IVSA more in the United Nation events
- Had a meeting with Prakriti Chaudhary and Ryan to discuss on sharing information and opportunities to our members
- World Veterinary Association (WVA), approached to show interest of involving IVSA member on an exciting project, namely the Essential Veterinary Medicine List, for a duration of election of 2-years
- They prefer to have students in the advanced years of study, but also post-graduate students, bringing opportunities for the IVSA Alumni members
- More information about this project will be share in social media later
- Code of Conduct (COC) amendment, Florian was working on this in the previous term
- Trust will be taking the lead for this project
- Mentioned that Violet helped with the registration of IVSA in Brussels, Belgium
- I on I meeting with ExCos have not completed yet, will be scheduled after the event in Switzerland
- A Peruvian company is interested in sponsoring IVSA, in which one of the bosses is Tamy's professor
- Officially announced that Matthias Jagla has resigned from the secretary position
- Now preparing to post the open call for secretary
- Reminded ExCos to talk to any members who have shown interest in this position

Violet raised a question about Core Panel number 4, whether that has been resumed or not. Tamy replied that she do not receive any update regarding the Core Panel from the last term Violet requested Tamy to check on the alumni email regarding the IVSA Leadership Program application from WSAVA.

Tamy replied that she has not gotten any reply from WSAVA, but she would text some other person-in-charge for that matter.

Treasurer - Seohyun Im (Ivy)

- WVA sponsorship of 5000 euros has been received





- Purina sponsorship for this term should be received soon
- Will be sending another invoice to Purina for IVSA Europe
- Membership renewals: 12 MOs have completed their renewal, 14 MOs still pending payments
- Have been dealing with issues of payment tracking with IVSA China and Australia
- Was asked if the Donor Box can be used for the fee collection for one alumni, decided to do this by issuing invoice through other platform after discussion with the post-treasurer
- Made a file showing the GDP of all countries
- Will be visiting FAVASA on behalf of IVSA, she would be happy to take any advices in representation of IVSA in an event
- Moved 252 usd from the November FVE GA budget to the November Caribbean Conference budget to cover one night of accommodation for the President

Tamy added that WVA is very happy with the sponsorship report that we have prepared.

DAD - Ignacio Salazar

- List of Universities under the Developmental Fund beneficiaries is completed
- Had a meeting with part of the Ghana OC to discuss on the DAD activities during the upcoming symposium
- Had informal communication with the winner of DAD Special Grant, Membership Fee Fund and the Travel Grant
- Planning to create videos with the award and grant winners to generate publicity

Ekwe Chinwendu raised a question on Membership Fee Fund, specifically about the claiming procedure.

Ignacio replied that emails will be sent to the MOs, clarifying that the membership fee will be paid from IVSA Global side, so the MOs do not have to worry about that.

Ryan added that Ivy will be sending an invoice with zero amount needed to be paid to them soon.

John Gyan requested Ekwe to assure the MOs that all the fees for this time will be covered by IVSA.

PRC - Rebecca

- Expressed gratitude on all the videos and photos from past events that are sent to her for publicity materials
- Prepared the business card for Eirini Polygerou
- Looking forward to receiving the introduction videos from all officials
- Found a platform that can let everyone to make an account for themselves, and create their business card using the available template
- Working on the open call post for the secretary position

Eirini added that the virtual card is very helpful.

Tamy added that maybe we can

John asked if Rebecca can re-share the open call for the History Taskforce, since the application is less satisfactory.





6.2. Discussion Points

6.2.1. Hills request for their appreciation post (Congress in Taiwan) to be reposted on SC/N social media pages

Violet

- Received an notification from the Shiyo Ang Jia Min (Taiwan OC), that they received an email from Hills, requested to have other social media accounts of IVSA to repost our appreciation post for Hills
- She mentioned that it is important to do that, partly because this can give more exposure to the SC/N while also keep the sponsor happy
- Added that this only needs to be shared through reposting but not making a new post on the main feed

Tamy agreed to proceed with fulfilling Hill's request.

Rebecca also agreed on this.

Avnish

- Mentioned that the act of attending special request from Hill's might not be the best possible solution, considering the perspective of other IVSA sponsors
- Safer way is to only repost the stories

Ishaan

- There were some problems previously with Hills as a sponsor
- But as for now, Francisco (PIC from Hills) is very approachable and being very responsive to IVSA
- Suggested to follow the request mentioned to establish a better relationship with them

Violet

- Emphasise that it was only repost, but not making a new post
- Some of the workshops conducted in the Taiwan Congress was also a collaboration with Hill's, that is one of the reason why they specifically requesting the repost to be done by the SC/N social media account

Eirini

- Shared her recent experience with Hill's collaboration event with IVSA was positive

Ishaan

- Mentioned that it will be good if Eirini can provide the contacts from Hill's that she mentioned

6.2.2. ECCVT Representative for the next 2 years

Violet

- ECCVT stands for European Coordinating Committee on Veterinary Training
- Previously Felix Metzger is the IVSA representative at the ECCVT
- ECCVT is composed of the Federation of Veterinarians Europe (FVE), European Board of Veterinary Specialists (EBVS), and the European Association of Establishments for veterinary Education (EAEVE)
- They are looking for student's perspective
- They were assuming that Violet is the representative from IVSA side, but Violet clarified that is not the case and that the new representative would be appointed by the IVSA.
- The question now would be how we would like to select for IVSA Representative at the





ECCVT

- The meeting takes place twice a year, once in spring and once in autumn
- There will be projects assigned to IVSA to be worked on
- One of the main project IVSA is to take the lead in a survey to make assessment of why veterinary students in Europe are no longer entering the livestock field as much as they used to be before
- The term of election will be 2 years

Tamy inquired about her opinion on this.

Violet replied that

- Person selected should be equipped with the knowledge on:
 - Good understanding of anything related to European legislation on education
 - Someone who is able to commit to this position
 - Consider their travel to Brussels for the meeting
 - Cannot be someone who is graduating next year
 - Someone who are able to represent students

Avnish added that

- We can open call for application post
- This also helps with assessing the engagement of members in the Europe region

Tamy also added that

- In the past, this was always represented by the president of IVSA
- The opportunity of letting an IVSA member representing the organisation is exciting
- Agree to put up an open call

Eirini

- Agreed with all the previous speakers
- Raised a concern that the IVSA member elected could have a lesser sense of responsibility in comparison to an IVSA Officials
- Emphasised that the election of a responsible member would be crucial

Tamy added that

- The personal benefits associated with this responsibility is significant

Violet added that

- ECCVT is looking for someone who is responsible and have the ability to speak out from a student's perspective

Tamy clarified that

- She did not mean that the personal benefit would be the main attraction for people to apply for this position

Ishaan added that

- We should open call for this position and giving this opportunity to our IVSA members
- The selection of the representative should be very strict

Tamy concluded that we can start to work on the open call post for this matter.

6.2.3. ECCVT Working group on Day I Competencies

Violet shared her screen and shared about this workshop group

- Justified what does Day I competencies meant
- 2 IVSA members present in this working group





- The names have to be sent as soon as possible

Avnish commented that

- Since we are running out of time, he suggested that the Europe RR and one of the regional team members to attend
- If we have more time, we could open call for our members to apply

Tamy inquired about the duration of IVSA representative election.

Violet replied

- The term of election could be either 1 or 2 years
- The working group itself would last for 2 to 3 years

Tamy

- Agree to send Eirini as the IVSA Representative for a year-long term considering the deadline has already passed, and have the other Europe Regional Team member to be part of the team as well

Eirini

- She is open to this position if needed
- While for the regional team member, she would have to communicate with them first because most of them still familiarising themselves with the new position

Violet provided her opinion, saying that:

- Added that the representative could not be someone who is in their early years of education, must be a student from fifth or sixth years of education
- Suggested to have Eirini to be the first representative, then give some time for the regional team member to consider this position
- It would be beneficial for us to have 1 IVSA representative to be in both the ECCVT big group and DIC working group, so it would be easier
- The deadline has already passed, and basically all of them are waiting for IVSA before they starting the work in the working group

Tamy

- We should start with the preparation of open call now

6.2.4. NY Vet Show (Nov 6th - 7th)

Ji Xiu

- Gave a reminder that the NY Vet Show is happening from Nov 6th to 7th
- Proposed to get the name list earlier to be provided to the Vet Show

Tamy

- Commented that this is part of the president's responsibility
- The passes were supposed to be used for Development Fund, but those tickets are not offered in the Taiwan Congress
- Mentioned that in the MoU that travel grant is possible to be arranged by the Vet Show
- But it is very hard for us to arrange the names for them as the logistics is the biggest challenge
- We do not want to continue this way, but would like to bring up something about tangible support for us in the discussion with the Vet Show
- We will try again for the NY Vet Show but a good outcome is not guaranteed





Ryan

- Previously challenges faced because of the last minute withdrawal of selected IVSA members
- Better ways of distributing the pass needed to be figured out

Ignacio

- Proposed to send the passes by adding it as an item under the auctions during IVSA events
- Tamy mentioned that most of the Vet Shows are happening before the Ghana Symposium

Bertina Sum

- Gave her feedback from her previous experience of conducting the raffles in the Asia-Pacific region:
 - Emailing lucky draw winner with a deadline to claim their pass

Tamy

- Mentioned that she would be talking to Ji Xiu again to propose something for ExCos voting in improving the MoU

6.2.5. DAD Scholarship - COC Case

Tamy

- Gave a context on the COC cases
- The person who got revoked his opportunity to participate in any IVSA opportunities is actually a winner of DAD Scholarship for the past term.
- The question would be what should we do with the scholarship money

Ignacio

- Together with Bryan, would like use the scholarship money for more reduced fee spots in the Ghana Symposium

Avnish

- Save the money for future DAD project
- Less preferable to use it for reduced fee spots, because the symposium is also hanging in balance right now
- Recommend to keep it for future use rather than spending on something else immediately

Tamy added that:

- If we can use it for another extra reduced fee spot for the upcoming Ghana Symposium that could be very beneficial for the members in the SSA region

Ryan added that:

- He agrees with the information that Tamy shared
- Otherwise, we can save the money for the use of future projects

Tamy concluded that Ignacio and team can start to work on this matter.





7. Chair Updates

7.1. Updates

SCOH - Alecia Kan

- Meeting with the One Health Commission and One Health Lessons, got positive responses from both parties
- One Health Day panel discussion, 9 MOs registered their panelists, the registration link for audience is now open
- In talks with the ReACT Asia Pacific for AMR Task force
- AMR Youth Summit 2025 preparation with IFMSA, IPSF and IADS
- Team election has been completed
- Gained 110+ followers since the last ExCo meeting

SCOCA - Abdul Samad

- Selected team from 5+ countries
- Violet presented the Survey of SCOCA in the 1st Presidents and EOs meeting.
- 1st team meeting was done
- Ongoing 1 on 1 meeting
- Currently focusing on:
 - Survey Promotion (Giveaway)
 - Sponsorship booklet making
 - TNT Grant
 - Reels (SCOCA goal oriented)
- Challenges / Issues
 - Appointlet is having some issues
- Support needed
 - TNT Grant Suggestions needed
- 100+ new followers on IG and now have around 1930 followers

Violet added

- Appointlet is not functioning properly
- For some people, Appointlet is not working at all

Tamy added that she has not scheduled 10 meetings in a month with Appointlet before so this was never an issue for her, but she would check on this with Violet when they meet up in Switzerland.

SCOW - Neha Sunil

- Collaboration with WSAVA - Professional Wellness Committee for a year-long duration
- Planning to sign an MoU with them
- Working on sponsorship booklet and it should be done by 2 weeks from now
- Planning on
 - Stress Awareness Webinar
 - Wellness projects for International men's Day
 - Suicide Awareness Day
 - Several other wellness day
 - Debate series





- Mentor Mentee program
- Working on policy paper
- Usual speaker for SCOW has now demanded a greater amount of fees
- Doubt on how we are planning to share the instagram links of events
- Needing new speakers for the future webinars
- Having high social media engagement
- Assistance needed from the PRC team

SCAW - Joel Itangirubuntu

- Successfully created a team with wonderful enthusiastic energetic members, had the first meeting with them, along with 1 on 1 meeting with each team position
- Team members along with their positions and quotes are posted in social media
- Successfully published the first October biweekly welfare on the topic “ Euthanasia- from an Animal Welfare standpoint”, second October biweekly welfare would be published on 31st October on the topic “Dog and cat breeding”
- Hosted 'World Okapi Day Quiz' story
- A reel about awareness on animals in context of Diwali firecrackers
- Collaborated with GPAW for guinea pig awareness week (20th - 24th October), arranged events for 5 consecutive days. 1st day - introductory post; 2nd post - daily necessities of guinea pigs (history, diet, environment, companionship, behaviour, health); 3rd day - myth busting quiz on guinea pigs; 4th day- sharing photos of guinea pigs; 5th , the final day- closing post with online resources and websites about guinea pigs
- Posted myths and facts about sloths on International sloth day, 20th October
A twibbon created for reptile awareness day, 21st October
- Successfully selected the topic for debate which is going to be held on 5th December, 2025
- Myths and reality - educational carousel post on freshwater dolphin day, 24th October
A social media post on fish migration day, 24th October
- Collaborated with WEAN on the 'Untamed' project
- Initiated a policy paper collaboration with IVSA Americas, finalized the topic
- Initiated a position statement collaboration with WVA AWWG
- Initiated Instagram live event with IVSA MENA, scheduled for mid November
- Currently focusing on:
 - Creation of debate guidebook and looking out for judges
 - Creation of ambassador manual
 - Events on freshwater dolphin day, fish migration day, lemur day and wombat day
 - Currently working on 2nd October biweekly welfare
 - Policy paper collaboration with IVSA Americas
 - 'Untamed' project collaboration with WEAN

SCOVE

- 1st Team Meeting, started scheduling 1o1 with team
- Successfully launched Essay Competition “Quality veterinary education as the cornerstone of animal welfare and one health”
- Ongoing chats for a webinar on large animals
- Meeting with Royal Canin
- Finalized pending task of previous Purina Nutrition day webinar
- Successful completion of Essay Competition





- Finalization of date and, announcement of Webinar
- Completion of IoI team meeting
- Support needed from the PRC team for the publicity of Essay Competition

Alumni - Daria

- Scheduled Alumni x Trust Meeting (1st Nov 2025)
- Preparation for opening a Mentor Mentee Program
- Symposium in Ghana
- Gathering data, partners/sponsor/project ideas for the whole term
- Opening registrations for Alumni Membership
- Symposium in Ghana
- Her lack of personal time to deal with every tasks

PN - Prakriti Chaudhary

- Selection of team members and first team meeting have been done
- MoU regarding the Pathogen of the Post project has been finalised
- 2 upcoming webinar
- Discussion ongoing for future projects
- Continuing the projects of pathogen post and research paper of the month
- Collaborating with WEAN for an upcoming event
- Currently have 2740 followers on Instagram

WEAN - Joel

- Successful selection of team members for the term.
- Successful collaboration project with SCAW - UNTAMED Project (kindly participated)
- External contacts coming in with interest in forming partnerships with WEAN
- WEAN Speaker Directory getting lots of contacts for speakers; Events/Projects Team's success.
- Setting up first webinar; currently in communication with proposed speakers
- LinkedIn optimization for official linkedin account
- Collaboration with Pathology Network on Exotic Pet Pathology
- 3 external organizations reached out for partnership with WEAN
- Almost 100 new followers on instagram

7.2. Discussion Points

7.2.1. SCOCA TNT Grant

Violet

- SCOCA has been doing this project for multiple terms
- Trainer and Trainee Network (TNT) project was budgeted with 1500 euros previously, but it was only 1000 euros for this term
- The grant would be given to the 2 MOs that are selected to conduct this project
- We will be looking for sponsorships for SCOCA due to this reason
- Raised concern that the budget of SCOCA has been decreased by 500 EUR. This means that if we give 2 grants of 350 EUR each, we'll have only 300 EUR budget left for other





activities.

- The question will be, lowering the grant to 300 EUR (which is not feasible as 350 EUR is already bare minimum) or decrease grants and give only 1

Felix commented

- Focus on gaining trainers and work with partners that offer TNT workshops
- Mentioned IAAS and Laboklin as examples

There is no conclusion and further discussion within the team is needed.

8. Regional Rep. Updates

8.1. Updates

Asia-Pacific RR - Bertina Sum

- Working on the preparation of the Asia-Pacific Regional Symposium
- One Health project with AMSA
- Social media campaign with AMSA, involving infographics related to zoonosis
- Had a meeting with REACT, decided that she would be the representative for the AMR Task Force, will send them the finalised decision after discussing this with Tamy and Violet, since we are in favor of doing internal recruitment for people to be part of the team to work on the tasks delegated by the task force
- Setting up the WhatsApp Chat for MOs
- ERM started working on the sponsorship booklet
- Social Media Manager and Project Managers are working on One Health Project with AMSA
- Added that Sri Lanka has registered on Members Portal, currently waiting for the invoice
- Actively working with Pakistan too
- Most MOs are planning to register their members from time to time as there are a lot of them

Europe - Eirini Polygerou

- Regional team is ready
- File for sponsors are ready, needed to review it with ERO
- Template for social media content is ready
- New local chapter, IVSA Valencia
- FEVA GA in Lyon went well
 - New board was elected
 - Policy paper did not pass
 - 500 Euros budgeted for the IVSA representative of next year (9th September)
- Appreciated the help from Rebecca for the business card
- Appreciated Ivy for assisting with all the bookings
- Meeting with the regional team has been done
- Updated that Hill's is interested in sponsoring the Europe region, hence she is in close contact with Ishaan

Felix added positive comments on what Eirini has been working on. He encouraged Eirini to discuss with Purina on how we can approach other sponsors without offending them, he then





suggests involving Ishaan in the conversation with Purina to discuss the contract extension. Tamy added that the MoU can be discussed internally first before bringing it up for discussion with them.

Ishaan seconded what Tamy mentioned.

America - Catalina Ortiz

- Currently IVSA Chile is having issues with their invoice
- Argentina and Nicaragua have finished their training session
- Have not been able to get all the 1 on 1 meetings with the MOs done
- Guatemala is not responding to any attempt to establish communication
- Policy paper with SCAW
- A series of social media collaborations will be done to increase the engagement, with the first one coming up in November

Felix and Tamy suggested that Catalina should check with Ignacio to get some advice on ways to communicate with Guatemala.

Tamy added a question whether Catalina is planning to extend the deadline for applications for the regional symposium.

Catalina replied that the previous MOs who showed interest in hosting it are no longer in the position of doing so.

SSA - Ekwe Chinwendu

- Done setting up regional team and had the first team meeting, second meeting scheduled to be on the 2nd of November
- Received email from WEAN for collaboration
- Currently talking to the International Pharmaceutical Student Federation (IPSF), African Regional Office to collaborate on AMR week event
- Next meeting will be discussing on whether to have an Online or Physical regional symposium, and finding ways to get sponsors
- Some MOs are not very active, and most of them are working quite separately, will try to connect them more

Tamy reminded Ekwe to keep her and Ryan in cc throughout the communication between our organisation and IPSF regional office.

MENA - Omer Faruk Deren

- Completed 1 on 1 with:
 - Tunisia
 - Morocco
 - Saudi Arabia
- Saudi Arabia needs to present IVSA to the university and government to be acknowledged as an organisation.
- Egypt and Sudan having new local chapters
- Members portal training done with Ryan
- Could not contact IVSA Iraq





- Planning to have meeting with MOs for the usage on MP

Tamy reminded everyone that even if the regional symposium was to be conducted online, it would still require a substantial amount of energy and time for the preparation.

9. Symposium & Congress

9.1. Updates

Taiwan Congress - Ryan

- OC supposed to submit their final report on the 12th of October, but unable to because they have yet to receive the money
- After approval from ExCos, the deadline would be postponed until the 4th of November
- Self evaluation form for the OCs
- Delegate feedback form was not getting a lot of responses

Tamy added that the Taiwan OC have informed her that they have got the money from Hill's.

Symposium in Ghana - Ryan

- Looking at new hotel as for accommodation
- Ghana OC is busy creating materials for the event page, to update Glue Up
- Hopes to release the forms by the end of this month (in the next few days) so that we can increase registration rates

Tamy asked when the open call would be for applications.

Ryan replied that it should be the beginning of November.

Felix added that if there are any documents that need to be reviewed by the Trusts, they are welcome to share them.

Ryan added that he is supposed to have a meeting with Nepal to discuss the funding in the near future.

10. Any Other Business (AOB).

10.1. Promotion of SC/N - Violet

- Chairs complaining that the information shared through Regional WhatsApp group chats were not done anymore, because the information now is only able to reach a certain group of members

Bertina commented that she has a group chat for IVSA regional members, and another one with both the Presidents and EOs. The team have been sharing information from the SC/N to both groups.

Ryan added that information officers from the regional teams can be involved in translating and conveying information to the MOs under the region. Other than that, we plan to have all the members registered on MP by January 2026.

Eirini and Catalina both agreed with what Ryan has pointed out.

Ryan reminded all chairs that there are 2 emails to be emailed whenever they are sharing opportunities ivsa.all@ivsa.org and ivsamolist@ivsamo.org.

Ignacio added that in Mexico, there is a channel on Instagram where IVSA activities will be shared.





Violet re-stated the question on sharing information on other platforms seems contradictory to our goals of transitioning the channel for information transfer to the MP.

Tamy replied that it is always good to share information and opportunities on different platforms.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:51pm UTC+0

Ji Xiu Tan

Secretary General 2025/2026

International Veterinary Students' Association

