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# Draft Minutes of the General Assembly of the 63rd IVSA Congress

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Indonesia, 2014

**James Bost, Secretary General and Vice-President 2013-14**  
**Congress held 29<sup>th</sup> July 2014 to 8<sup>th</sup> August 2014**

**These are not official minutes until approved by the General Assembly.**

## General Assembly Part I

31 July 2014

Pim Polak, President, called the General Assembly (GA) to order.

### I. Roll call of active Member Organizations, I 4.26

Member Organization	Present	Absent
Algeria		X
Austria	X	
Belgium, Gent	X	
Bosnia-Herzgovina		X
China, Nanjing	X	
Czech Republic, Brno		X
Denmark	X	
Egypt		X
Finland	X	
France, Alfort	X	
France, Toulouse		X
Germany, Berlin		X
Germany, Hannover		X
Germany, Munich	X	
Greece, Thessaloniki	X	
Greece, Thessaly	X	
Hungary		X
India		X
Indonesia	X	
Iran	X	
Italy, Napoli		X
Japan		X
Kosovo		X
Malaysia, Putra	X	
Malaysia, Kelantan (VETSA)		X
Nigeria, Abuja		X
Nigeria, Ibadan		X
Nepal		X
Netherlands, Utrecht	X	
Norway, Oslo	X	
Palestine		X
Philippines		X
Poland, Lublin	X	

Poland, Olsztyn	X	
Poland, Poznan		X
Poland, Warsaw	X	
Poland, Wroclaw	X	
Portugal, Lisbon	X	
Romania, Cluj-Napoca	X	
Romania, Timisoara		X
Russia, St. Petersburg		X
SAVMA	X	
Serbia, Belgrade		X
Slovenia	X	
South Africa	X	
South Korea	X	
Spain, Barcelona	X	
Spain, Murcia		X
Sri Lanka		X
Sweden		X
Switzerland, Zurich		X
Taiwan	X	
Thailand	X	
Tunisia	X	
Turkey, Ankara	X	
Turkey, Bursa		X
Turkey, Istanbul	X	
Turkey, Konya	X	
UK/Ireland	X	

**Quorum was reached with 59.1% (26/44 voting entities present and eligible to vote).**

Representatives of the applying Member Organizations IVSA Ethiopia and IVSA Germany (from the faculty in Leipzig) were present as guests.

### **1. Welcome and introduction to the proceedings, 14.32**

Pim Polak, President, gave a presentation introducing IVSA, its governing and advisory bodies and the General Assembly.

James Bost, Secretary General and Vice-President, explained the voting system and Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised.

The General Assembly went into recess from 15.18 until 15.30.

### **2. Election of the Chairman, 15.43**

Charlotte Watkins, IVSA UK & Ireland, nominated Jan Mattila, Honorary Life Member, for Chairman. Jan accepted. Jan Mattila, Honorary Life Member, was

elected as Chairman.

IVSA Nepal joined the GA online at 15.45.

### **3. Appointment of the Parliamentarian, 15.49**

Merel Rodenburg, IVSA SAVMA, nominated Emma van Rooijen, IVSA The Netherlands, for Parliamentarian. Emma accepted. Emma van Rooijen, IVSA The Netherlands, was appointed as Parliamentarian.

### **4. Approval of the Agenda, 15.50**

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, moved to approve the agenda. This was adopted after amendment of the agenda.

### **5. Approval of the Minutes from the 62<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Symposium in Turkey, 15.58**

Samuel Smith, IVSA SAVMA, moved to approve the minutes from the 62<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Symposium in Turkey. This was adopted.

### **6. Nomination of the Election Committee, 16.00**

Sara Ford, IVSA SAVMA, nominated Janina Janssen, IVSA Austria, Renate Kristiansen Visnes, IVSA Norway, and Manel Millanes Romero, Trustee, Individual Supportive Member, to the Election Committee. Janina, Renate and Manel accepted. Janina Janssen, IVSA Austria, Renate Kristiansen Visnes, IVSA Norway, and Manel Millanes Romero, Trustee, Individual Supportive Member, were elected to the Election Committee.

### **7. Resignation of the President-Elect, 16.02**

Janina Janssen, Election Committee member, IVSA Austria, moved to accept the resignation of Anne Christine Føllesdal, President-Elect. This was adopted after debate.

### **8. Opening election for President, 16.07**

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, moved to suspend the Bylaws to allow the election for President to be held during Congress, and to hold this election during Congress. This was adopted.

### **9. Nominations for ExCo, Trust and Committee Chairs, 16.09**

Sara Wüeggertz, Chairman of SCoMTE, IVSA Denmark, nominated Emma van Rooijen, Parliamentarian, IVSA The Netherlands, for the position of President. Emma accepted.

Ionna Padurean, IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca, nominated Anıl Türer, IVSA Turkey, Istanbul, for the position of Public Relations Coordinator. Anıl accepted.

Chyna Suit-B Yong, IVSA Malaysia, Putra, nominated Khouloud Ben Salem, IVSA Tunisia, for the position of Member Organization Director. Khouloud accepted.

There were no nominations for the Trust at this time.

There were no nominations for Committee Chairs at this time.

### **10. Nominations for hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium, 16.14**

Ioana Padurean, IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca, nominated IVSA Greece, Thessaly, and IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki, for hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium together. IVSA Greece, Thessaly, and IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki, accepted.

Jan Mattila, Chairman, Honorary Life Member, explained that there were already two nominations for hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium. These are IVSA Taiwan and IVSA South Korea.

### **11. Nominations for hosting the 65<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress, 16.16**

Chyna Suit-B Yong, IVSA Malaysia, Putra, nominated IVSA Austria for hosting the 65<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress. IVSA Austria accepted.

### **12. IVSA activities, 16.19**

Pim Polak, President, gave a presentation on the meetings he has attended on behalf of IVSA. Pim attended the International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation (IPSF) board meeting in January 2014 in The Hague, The Netherlands, where he presented IVSA and the one health concept, and signed the WHSS MoU. In March 2014, he attended the International Federation of Medical Students' Associations pre-GA and GA in Hammamed, Tunisia. IFMSA are the medical equivalent of IVSA, with whom we are currently working on strengthening our partnership. Also in March 2014, he attended the Student American Veterinary Medical Association (SAVMA) Symposium in Fort Collins, Colorado, USA, along with other IVSA representatives including James Bost, Secretary General and Vice-President, Hannah van Velzen, Sponsorship Director, and Joseph Lunt, Development Aid Director, who ran the Development Fund auction there. SAVMA are IVSA's largest MO, and their Symposium is a good place to spread awareness of IVSA and network. In April 2014, Pim attended the Federation of Veterinarians of Europe – Standing Committee of European Doctors (FVE-CPME) conference in Brussels, Belgium, to represent the voice of veterinary students. Pim represented IVSA at the World Veterinary Association – European Commission (WVA-EC) global webinar entitled “Veterinary Leadership: “Empowering tools for vets in the field of Animal Welfare”” in April, and in May, attended the 16<sup>th</sup> International Veterinary Medicine Students Scientific Research Conference in Istanbul, Turkey, as a speaker on IVSA and One Health. Also in May, he attended the European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education (EAEVE) GA in Murcia, Spain, where he spoke on student involvement in research,, represented the voice of veterinary students at the IFMSA pre-World Health Assembly (pre-WHA) and WHA, represented IVSA at the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) GA in Paris, France, and attended the Informal Forum for

International Student Organizations (IFISO) spring meeting in July in Utrecht, The Netherlands. The IFISO meeting was organized by IVSA The Netherlands, and these meetings are an opportunity for international student organizations to share best practices, and establish collaborations and contacts. In July, Pim attended a meeting in Rome, Italy, with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), to discuss future collaboration between IVSA and FAO. The final events Pim will attend as IVSA President will be the IFMSA GA in Taiwan and the IVSA Asia conference, both of which will be held in August.

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, gave a presentation on the AWIN (Animal Welfare Indicators) animal welfare science hub, a content management system that promotes knowledge exchange and global opportunities for education, training and capacity building in animal welfare. More information can be found at [www.animalwelfarehub.com](http://www.animalwelfarehub.com).

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, moved to reimburse Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, the amount of €182.04 for his travel expenses for attending the AWIN conference in Prague. This was adopted.

Manel Millanes Romero, Trustee, Individual Supportive Member, moved that observers to the GA shall be granted the right of speech. This was adopted.

Camille Poissonnier, Member Organization Director, reported to the GA on the ExCo's plan to set up a system to allow Member Organizations to pay the membership fees of other Member Organizations that are struggling to pay their fees.

### **13. IFMSA Presentation, 16.58**

Pedro Correia de Miranda, International Federation of Medical Student Associations (IFMSA) Liaison Officer to Student Organizations, gave a presentation on IFMSA. More information can be found on their website, [www.ifmsa.org](http://www.ifmsa.org), or on their prezi presentation, <http://prezi.com/5uofcxiuky3z/introduction-to-ifmsa/>

### **14. IVSA History, 17.06**

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, and Hannah van Velzen, Sponsorship Director, gave a presentation on the history of IVSA, providing the documentation that IVSU was founded in Giessen, Germany, in 1953, and that the first World Congress of IVSA occurred in Edinburgh, UK, in 1968 (IVSU had changed its name to IVSA within the previous year).

### **15. SPC Report, 17.14**

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, moved to receive the report of the Strategic Planning Committee (SPC). This was adopted. James Bost, Secretary General and Vice-President, delivered the SPC's report. The SPC has completed its five and ten year strategic plans and is ready to present them to the GA for approval.

**16. Bylaws amendment – The Secretariat and Regional Representation, 17.27 (continued in GA session 3)**

The GA went into recess at 17.51.

**General Assembly Part 2**

1 August 2014

Jan Mattila, Chairman, Honorary Life Member, called the GA to order.

**Roll Call, 11.37**

<b>Voting Entity</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Austria	X	
Belgium	X	
China	X	
Denmark	X	
Finland		X
France	X	
Germany	X	
Greece	X	
Indonesia	X	
Iran	X	
Malaysia	X	
Nepal		X
Netherlands	X	
Norway	X	
Poland	X	
Portugal	X	
Romania	X	
SAVMA	X	
Slovenia	X	
South Africa	X	
South Korea	X	
Spain	X	
Taiwan	X	
Thailand	X	
Tunisia	X	
Turkey	X	
UK & I	X	

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Representatives of the applying Member Organizations IVSA Ethiopia and IVSA Germany (from the faculty in Leipzig) were present as guests.

### **17. Bylaws amendment – The Secretariat and Regional Representation, 11.39**

Charlotte Watkins, IVSA UK & Ireland, moved to insert the following sentences at the end of the “Secretariat – Structure” section...:

*The Secretariat shall consist of up to five (5) “Regional Secretary” positions. The number of Regional Secretary positions and regions represented by each position shall be determined by the ExCo. The remaining positions shall be non-regional “Secretary” positions.*

...and to insert the following sentence after the 1<sup>st</sup> sentence for the “Secretariat – Responsibilities” section...:

*Regional Secretaries are responsible for communication between MOs and Regional Groups within their region and the ExCo.*

...and to strike out the 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> sentences in the section “Secretariat – Nomination and Election” section and insert the following sentences in place of the current 7<sup>th</sup> sentence...:

*To be eligible for a specific Regional Secretary position, a member must be a member of a MO from that region (eligibility to be determined by the ExCo). If, after nominations have closed, there are no nominees for a specific Regional Secretary position, nominations for that position shall be re-opened without this requirement. If there are still no nominations for a specific Regional Secretary position, the responsibilities of that position shall be distributed at the discretion of the ExCo and an additional non-regional Secretary position shall be available.*

...and to strike out the 11<sup>th</sup> sentence in the section “Secretariat – Nomination and Election” and insert the following sentences in its place:

*If there is one (1) nominee for a Regional Secretary position, the nominee will be elected without a vote.*

*If there are as many, or up to two (2) fewer, nominees for non-regional Secretary positions as there are open positions, the nominees will be elected without a vote.*

...and to strike out the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> sentences in the section “Secretariat – Nomination and Election” and insert the following sentences in their place...:

*Election of nominees for Regional Secretary positions shall be by simple majority. If no majority is achieved by any nominee for a position, the nominee who received the lowest number of votes shall be eliminated from the nomination for that position and another vote shall take place. This procedure is repeated until a nominee receives a majority.*

*Election of nominees for non-regional Secretary positions shall be by plurality-at-large. If the result of the vote is such that more than one (1) nominee from one country are to be elected to non-regional Secretary positions, the provisionally elected nomination from that*



*country receiving the least number of votes shall be invalidated until only one (1) provisionally elected nominee from that country remains.*

...and to replace the words “member of the Secretariat” in the section “Executive Committee – Nomination and Election – Nomination of the members of the ExCo” with “a non-regional Secretary position”.

It was clarified that if adopted, this amendment would go into effect immediately.

A count having been ordered, the results were 25 votes cast in favour and 18 votes cast against. The motion was lost after debate with 58.1% of votes cast in favour (75% needed to pass amendments to the Bylaws).

### **18. Nominations for ExCo, Secretariat, Trust and Committee Chairs, 12.45**

Marina Soriano, IVSA Spain, Barcelona, nominated Ivana Hajzler, Secretary to the MOD, IVSA Serbia, Belgrade, for the position of Member Organization Director. It was reported that Ivana accepted.

Ann-Katrin Autz, IVSA Austria, nominated Merel Rodenburg, IVSA SAVMA, for the position of Member of ExCo. Merel accepted.

Marit Salberg Løe, IVSA Norway, nominated Sara Wüeggertz, Chairman of SCoMTE, IVSA Denmark, for the position of Secretary General. Sara accepted.

Merel Rodenburg, IVSA SAVMA, nominated Joseph Lunt, Development Aid Director, for the Trust. Joseph accepted.

Samuel Smith, IVSA SAVMA, nominated James Bost, Secretary General and Vice-President, for the Trust. James accepted.

Andaç Kiliçkap, IVSA Turkey, Istanbul, nominated Shadi Hénchiri, IVSA Tunisia, for Chairman of the Animal Welfare Committee. Shadi accepted.

Ann-Katrin Autz, IVSA Austria, nominated Jessica Urban, IVSA SAVMA, for the Secretariat. Jessica accepted.

### **19. Nominations for hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium, 12.49**

There were no nominations for hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium at this time.

### **20. Nominations for hosting the 65<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress, 12.50**

There were no nominations for hosting the 65<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress at this time.

### **21. Approval of 5 and 10 year Strategic Plans, 12.51 (continued in GA session 3)**

The GA went into recess at 13.17.

## General Assembly Part 3

1 July 2014

Jan Mattila, Chairman, Honorary Life Member, called the GA to order.

### Roll Call, 20.16

Voting Entity	Present	Absent
Austria	X	
Belgium	X	
China	X	
Denmark	X	
Finland	X	
France	X	
Germany	X	
Greece	X	
Indonesia	X	
Iran	X	
Malaysia	X	
Nepal		X
Netherlands	X	
Norway	X	
Poland	X	
Portugal	X	
Romania	X	
SAVMA	X	
Slovenia	X	
South Africa	X	
South Korea	X	
Spain	X	
Taiwan	X	
Thailand	X	
Tunisia	X	
Turkey	X	
UK & I	X	

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### 22. Approval of 5 and 10 year Strategic Plans, 20.23

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, moved to adopt the 5 and 10 year Strategic Plans (as shown in appendix).

A count having been ordered, the results were 48 votes cast in favour and 0 votes cast against. The motion was adopted after debate and amendment of the Strategic Plan, with 100% of votes cast in favour.

As this was the final report of the Strategic Planning Committee, the Strategic Planning Committee was automatically dissolved.

### **23. Presentation of IVSA Activities, 21.23**

Hannah van Velzen, Sponsorship Director, delivered a presentation on sponsorships of IVSA. Hill's is the exclusive diamond sponsor of IVSA, sponsoring IVSA with up to €25,000 each year in a three year contract, of which 2013-14 is the first year. The next Hill's webinar will be held on 20 August. Merck Animal Health is a pharmaceutical company and the current sponsor of the Scholarship Fund of IVSA. The MAH-IVSA Scholarship & Travel Grant Program involves 50-100 Scholarship Fund places over two years. Bayer Animal Health is a pharmaceutical company and a sponsor of the Central Fund of IVSA, contributing €15,000 to the Central Fund in 2013-14. IVSA's collaboration with Bayer includes articles in our newsletter, student interviews, a CVBD Symposium scholarship and CVBD web conferences. An agreement with VetStage is planned to be finalized by the 63<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Symposium, helping IVSA members to manage exchanges more easily and creating access to internships and job opportunities worldwide. Other upcoming sponsors or partners of IVSA include Henry Schein and VetPD.

IVSA Nigeria, Abuja, joined the GA online at 21.31.

Joseph Lunt, Development Aid Director, gave a report on activities of the Development Aid Director. There have been 21 successful candidates for the MAH-IVSA Scholarship and Travel Grant Program thus far. Two custom built anaesthetic machines have now been delivered to Uganda. The Book Drive has been completed, with nearly three tonnes of books shipped from the USA to Africa. The Development Fund is funding the upgrading of facilities at two veterinary colleges in The Philippines which were affected by typhoon Haiyan. So far in 2013-14, €2065 has been raised at the 62<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Symposium in Turkey and \$1219 has been raised at SAVMA Symposium in Colorado.

### **24. Nominations for ExCo, Secretariat, Trust and Committee Chairs, 21.44**

There were no nominations for the ExCo at this time.

Samuel Smith, IVSA SAVMA, nominated Seyed Ardalan, IVSA Iran, for the Secretariat. Seyed accepted.

Marina Soriano, IVSA Spain, Barcelona, nominated Khairina Abdul Halim, IVSA Malaysia, for the Secretariat. Khairina accepted.

Anıl Türer, IVSA Istanbul, nominated Ann-Katrin Autz, IVSA Austria, for the Secretariat. Ann-Katrin accepted.

Airina Sylte Kallmyr, Secretary to the President, IVSA Norway, nominated Camille Poissonnier, Member Organization Director, for the Trust. Camille accepted.

There were no nominations for Committee Chairs at this time.

### **25. Nominations for hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium, 21.48**

There were no nominations for the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium at this time.

### **26. Nominations for hosting the 65<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress, 21.48**

There were no nominations for hosting the 65<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress at this time.

### **27. Presentation of each ExCo member's work since the pre-Symposium meeting, and the work of each Secretary and Trustee, for approval, 21.49**

Charlotte Watkins, IVSA UK & Ireland, moved to accept the reports of the ExCo members, Secretaries and Trustees, as printed in the Congress proceedings booklet, for approval. This was adopted.

### **28. Presentation of IVSA Activities, 21.51**

Merel Rodenburg, IVSA SAVMA, gave a report on the work of the Animal Welfare Committee (AWC). The AWC in 2013-14 consisted of 11 members from around the world. Their work this year has included the creation of a Facebook page to share news, information and opportunities, attendance of congresses on animal welfare and sharing information acquired, and contacting various organizations who may collaborate with the AWC in the future. Those who are interested in animal welfare can join the AWC Facebook group.

Sara Wüeggertz, Chairman of SCoMTE, IVSA Denmark, gave a report on the work of the Standing Committee on Modern Technology in Education (SCoMTE). The work of SCoMTE in 2013-14 included creating a more visual partnership with WikiVet, working on the SCoMTE links library, creating more interest in and activity on the SCoMTE Facebook page and creating a network of local SCoMTE ambassadors.

Pim Polak, President, gave a presentation on one health and the founding of the Standing Committee on One Health (SCOH). Theofanis Liatis, Veterinary Public Health Director, Chairman of SCOH, gave a report on the work of SCOH. SCOH in 2013-14 consisted of 10 members. Their work this year has included the creation of email and social media pages, creation of an online library for SCOH's publications, creation of a network of Local Veterinary Public Health Officers (LoVPHOs), and running campaigns for World Rabies Day and Stop TB. SCOH collaborates with the International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation (IPSF), the International Federation of Medical Students' Associations (IFMSA), Stop TB and the

Global Alliance for Rabies Control (GARC). Further activities have included running One Health Workshops, creating and publishing (in the IVSA newsletter) the Veterinary Public Health Journal (VPHJ), and promoting IVSA's involvement in the World Healthcare Students' Symposium (WHSS) 2015. For World Rabies Day 2014, SCOH has led IVSA's involvement in the GARC-IFMSA-IVSA "Global One Health Challenge".

The GA went into recess from 22.15 until 22.28.

### **29. Founding of a Standing Committee on Veterinary Education (SCoVE), 22.28**

James Bost, Secretary General and Vice-President, gave a presentation about the suggested founding of a Standing Committee on Veterinary Education, in line with IVSA's 5 year Strategic Plan. The current remit of SCoMTE could be incorporated into a future SCoVE, as could the subject of veterinary business and economics (including IVSA's involvement in the NEAT project), and IVSA's involvement in EAEVE's evaluation/accreditation activity.

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, moved to form a Standing Committee on Veterinary Education (SCoVE), to dissolve SCoMTE, and to propose that the remit of SCoMTE should be incorporated into SCoVE. This was adopted.

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, moved that should the Executive Committee of 2014-15 choose to send a member of the Trust as a representative of IVSA to the 2014 NEAT meeting, his or her travel expenses can be reimbursed. This was adopted after amendment.

### **30. Bylaws amendment – The Trust, 22.47**

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, moved to insert the following paragraph in the "Trust – Responsibilities" section as a new second paragraph...:

*The Trust has the right to "Call for Attention", which needs to be addressed by the ExCo and Secretariat during the ExCo meeting following such a call. A "Call for Attention" can entail, but is not limited to, addressing problems the Trust has become aware of. When a "Call for Attention" has not been resolved without reasoning after calling for it at least twice, the Trust may decide to bring the matter before the General Assembly.*

This was adopted after debate and amendment.

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, moved to insert the words "and overseeing" after the word "advisory" in the first sentence of the "Trust – General" section. This was adopted after debate and amendment.

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, moved to insert the following sentence after the 7<sup>th</sup> numbered point in the section "Congresses and Symposia – Responsibilities of the OC":

8. *Until the end of the application period, two places shall be reserved for Trustees at the Symposium and Congress of IVSA in order for the Trustees to carry out their tasks and present their report.*

... and to replace the word “ and” before “the Secretariat” in the third sentence of the sections “Congresses and Symposia – Congress” and “Congresses and Symposia – Symposium” with “,” and to add the words “and the two (2) reserved places for the Trust” to the end of these sentences, and to insert the following numbered points in the “Trust – Expenses” section (with the current paragraph being the first numbered point):

2. *An exception to this rule is that should (a) Trustee(s) attend the Congress of IVSA, the travel expenses at a minimum cost rate of up to two (2) Trustees shall be reimbursed fully from the IVSA Central Fund.*
3. *No expenses shall be reimbursed before valid receipts documenting the expenses are handed to the Treasurer and the ExCo has agreed in an ExCo meeting to grant these specific expenses to the recipient.*

This was adopted after debate and amendment.

The GA went into recess at 23.46.

## **General Assembly Part 4**

3 August 2014

Jan Mattila, Chairman, Honorary Life Member, called the GA to order.

### **Roll Call, 16.45**

<b>Voting Entity</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Austria	X	
Belgium	X	
China	X	
Denmark	X	
Finland		X
France	X	
Germany	X	
Greece	X	
Indonesia	X	
Iran	X	
Malaysia	X	
Nepal		X
Netherlands	X	
Norway	X	
Poland	X	
Portugal	X	

Romania	X	
SAVMA	X	
Slovenia	X	
South Africa	X	
South Korea	X	
Spain	X	
Taiwan	X	
Thailand	X	
Tunisia	X	
Turkey	X	
UK & I	X	

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### **31. Bylaws amendment – the role of the Trust, 16.48**

Arvid Cardinaels, IVSA Belgium, Gent, moved to consider an amendment to the Bylaws without prior notice, this amendment being to strike the word “supervising” from the first sentence of the section “Trust – Responsibilities” and insert the word “overseeing” in its place.

A written ballot being required for a motion to consider an amendment to the Bylaws without prior notice, the results were 34 votes cast in favour and 15 votes cast against. The motion was lost with 69.3% of votes cast in favour (unanimous consent is needed to consider a Bylaws amendment without prior notice).

### **32. Nominations for the ExCo, Secretariat, Trust and Committee Chairs, 17.01**

There were no further nominations for President. Emma van Rooijen, Parliamentarian, IVSA The Netherlands, was elected as President.

There were no further nominations for Secretary General. Sara Wüeggertz, Chairman of SComTE, IVSA Denmark, was elected as Secretary General.

Airina Sylte Kallmyr, IVSA Norway, nominated Isaac Corderroure Lopéz, Secretary to the Sponsorship Director, IVSA Spain, Barcelona, for the position of Treasurer. Isaac accepted.

There were no further nominations for Treasurer. Isaac Corderroure Lopéz, Secretary to the Sponsorship Director, IVSA Spain, Barcelona, was elected as Treasurer.

The GA went into recess from 17.09 until 17.16.

Caroline Boucher, IVSA France, nominated Kayleigh-Anne Norman, IVSA UK & Ireland, for the position of Development Aid Director. Kayleigh-Anne accepted.

Karin Luzak, IVSA Austria, nominated Andrzej Lorek, IVSA Poland, for the position of Development Aid Director. Andrzej accepted.

Lara Scherer, IVSA Germany, Munich, nominated Kuo Wai Chu, IVSA Taiwan, for the position of Development Aid Director. Kuo accepted.

There were no further nominations for Development Aid Director.

Chyna Suit-B Yong, IVSA Malaysia, Putra, nominated Henry Ta-Heng Huang, Secretary to the MOD, IVSA Taiwan, for the position of Public Relations Coordinator. Henry accepted.

There were no further nominations for Public Relations Coordinator.

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, nominated Jennifer Holle, IVSA SAVMA, for the position of External Relations Officer. Jennifer accepted.

There were no further nominations for External Relations Officer. Jennifer Holle, IVSA SAVMA, was elected as External Relations Officer.

There were no further nominations for Member of ExCo. Merel Rodenburg, IVSA SAVMA, was elected as Member of ExCo.

Afdi Pratama, IVSA Indonesia, nominated Taeun Ryan Kim, IVSA South Korea, for the Secretariat. Taeun accepted.

Sofie Svensson, IVSA Norway, nominated Panagiotis Galatsanos, IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki, for the Secretariat. Panagiotis accepted.

Yong Heon Lee, IVSA South Korea, nominated Reza Akram Purwosunu, IVSA Indonesia, for the Secretariat. Reza accepted.

Janina Janssen, Election Committee, IVSA Austria, nominated Seth Yaw Afedo, IVSA China, Nanjing, for the Secretariat. Seth accepted.

Janne Olesen, IVSA Denmark, nominated Sone Pretorius, IVSA South Africa, for the Secretariat. Sone accepted.

There were no further nominations for the Secretariat.

Lukas Huber, IVSA Austria, nominated Pim Polak, President, for the Trust

Khouloud Ben Salem, IVSA Tunisia, nominated Inés Ben Jebara, Trustee, Individual Supportive Member, for the Trust. Inés accepted.



There were no further nominations for the Trust. Joseph Lunt, Development Aid Director, James Bost, Secretary General and Vice-President, Camille Poissonnier, Member Organization Director, Pim Polak, President, and Inés Ben Jabara, Trustee, Individual Supportive Member, were elected to the Trust.

There were no further nominations for Chairman of the Animal Welfare Committee. Shadi Hénchiri was elected as Chairman of the Animal Welfare Committee.

Ioana Pădurean, IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca, nominated Eleni Moltsanidou, IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki, for Chairman of the Standing Committee on One Health. It was reported that Eleni accepted.

Reza Akram Purwosunu, IVSA Indonesia, nominated Sarah Krones, IVSA SAVMA, for Chairman of the Standing Committee on One Health. Sarah accepted.

There were no further nominations for Chairman of the Standing Committee on One Health.

Shadi Hénchiri, nominated Tom Merten, Individual Supportive Member, for Chairman of the Standing Committee on Veterinary Education. Tom accepted.

There were no further nominations for Chairman of the Standing Committee on Veterinary Education. Tom Merten, Individual Supportive Member, was elected as Chairman of the Standing Committee on Veterinary Education.

Henry Ta-Heng Huang, Secretary to the MOD, IVSA Taiwan, withdrew his nomination for Public Relations Coordinator. Anil Türer, IVSA Turkey, Istanbul, was elected as the Public Relations Coordinator.

### **33. Nominations for hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium, 17.49**

There were no nominations for hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium at this time.

### **34. Nominations for hosting the 65<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress, 17.50**

There were no nominations for hosting the 65<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress at this time.

IVSA Palestine, IVSA Czech Republic, Brno, and IVSA Nepal joined the GA online at 17.50.

### **35. Bylaws amendment – Vote Allocation, 17.51**

Charlotte Watkins, IVSA UK & Ireland, moved to insert the following sentence after the second paragraph in the “Rights – Allocation of Vote” section:

*Each country must select one (1) delegate in each session of the General Assembly whose responsibility it shall be to state the votes of their country.*

This was adopted.

### **36. Bylaws amendment – Technical Error, 17.52**

Charlotte Watkins, IVSA UK & Ireland, moved to insert the words “(excluding the positions of President-Elect and Post-Treasurer)” after “the current ExCo” in the 5<sup>th</sup> numbered point in the section “Executive Committee – Expenses”. This was adopted after amendment.

### **37. Bylaws amendment – Candidate Membership, 17.54 (continued in GA 5)**

Pim Polak, President, gave a presentation on the suggested Bylaws amendment concerning Candidate Membership.

### **38. Bylaws amendment – Past President, 18.35**

It was moved to insert the following sentences at the end of the “Trust – Nomination and Election” section:

*If the current President is elected to the Trust, they shall become Immediate Past President of IVSA. The Immediate Past President is a member of the Trust, is not a member of ExCo, and has the same rights and responsibilities as the other Trust members. The role of Immediate Past President can only be held by the outgoing President and can only be held for one term.*

This was adopted after debate and amendment.

Pim Polak, President, will assume the position of Immediate Past President when he starts his term as a Trustee.

### **39. Memorandum of Understanding with EAEVE, 18.53**

Panagiotis Galatsanos, IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki, moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with EAEVE (as shown in appendix). This was adopted, after debate and amendment of the Memorandum of Understanding.

### **40. Memorandum of Understanding with WVA, 19.02**

Samuel Smith, IVSA SAVMA, moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with WVA (as shown in appendix). This was adopted.

### **41. Memorandum of Understanding with IFMSA, 19.05**

Charlotte Watkins, IVSA UK & Ireland, moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with IFMSA (as shown in appendix). This was adopted after debate and amendment of the Memorandum of Understanding.

The GA went into recess at 19.36.

## General Assembly Part 5

5 August, 2014

Jan Mattila, Chairman, Honorary Life Member, called the GA to order.

### Roll Call, 12.50

Voting Entity	Present	Absent
Austria	X	
Belgium	X	
China		X
Denmark	X	
Finland	X	
France	X	
Germany	X	
Greece	X	
Indonesia	X	
Iran	X	
Malaysia	X	
Nepal		X
Netherlands	X	
Norway	X	
Poland	X	
Portugal	X	
Romania		X
SAVMA	X	
Slovenia	X	
South Africa	X	
South Korea	X	
Spain	X	
Taiwan	X	
Thailand	X	
Tunisia	X	
Turkey	X	
UK & I	X	

**Quorum was maintained with 54.5% (24/44 voting entities present and eligible to vote).**

Representatives of the applying Member Organizations IVSA Ethiopia and IVSA Germany (from the faculty in Leipzig) were present as guests.

### **42. Bylaws amendment – Candidate Membership, 12.52**

Lukas Huber, IVSA Austria, moved to insert the following sentence at the end of the “Membership – Members – Member Organization” section...:

*Candidate Member Organizations share the same rights and duties as full Member Organizations, with the sole exception of the right to vote.*

...and to insert the following sentence after the third paragraph of the same section...:

*Should local Member Organizations join together to form a national Member Organization, that national Member Organization shall retain the status of full Member Organization, provided that at least one (1) of the local Member Organizations joining together has that status at the time of formation of the national Member Organization.*

...and to insert the following sentence at the start of the “Membership – Rights – Allocation of Vote” section...:

*Candidate Member Organizations shall not have the right to vote.*

...and to insert the word “full” before the first four current appearances of the words “Member Organization(s)” in that section, and to insert “Any present full Member Organization may not be proxy to more than two (2) Member Organizations” after the first sentence of the second paragraph in that section so that the section would read...:

*Each country shall be allocated two (2) votes which the delegates of each full Member Organization within the country may jointly cast as decided by the separate full Member Organizations from that country.*

*If any full Member Organization can not be present at the General Assembly they can delegate their right to vote to another full Member Organization by either informing the ExCo in written or electronic form or providing the proxy Member Organization with signed certification. Any present full member organization may not be proxy to more than two (2) Member Organizations. This certification shall not apply to voting in matters not included in the preliminary General Assembly agenda nor shall it apply to voting in elections of any kind.*

...and to insert the following numbered points at the end of the section “Membership – Application for Membership – Member Organizations”:

5. *Once a Member Organization application is approved, they shall be granted the status of candidate Member Organization.*
6. *To attain the status of full Member Organization, a member of the candidate Member Organization must have attended at least one complete General Assembly in person. This can be the same General Assembly at which candidate Member Organization status was granted.*
7. *In extraordinary circumstances, the General Assembly may waive the aforementioned requirements and grant full Member Organization status to a candidate Member Organization.*

This would not be applied retrospectively, so all current Member Organizations would become full Member Organizations.

A count having been ordered, the results were 34 votes cast in favour and 11 votes cast against. The motion was adopted after debate and amendment with 75.6% of votes cast in favour (75% needed to pass amendments to the Bylaws).

#### **43. Nominations for hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium, 13.12**

There were no nominations for hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium at this time.

#### **44. Nominations for hosting the 65<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress, 13.12**

There were no nominations for hosting the 65<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress at this time.

#### **45. Top Ten EOs Announcement, 13.13**

Camille Poissonnier, Member Organization Director, gave a presentation on the top ten EOs of 2013-14. The top ten EOs were:

Victoria Drauch, IVSA Austria  
Inanda Ayu Shabrina, Secretary to the PRC, IVSA Indonesia  
Yukari Furuya, IVSA Japan  
Chyna Suit-B Yong, IVSA Malaysia, Putra  
Wieteke Eggelmeijer, IVSA The Netherlands  
Ivana Hajzler, Secretary to the MOD, IVSA Serbia  
Špela Špajzar, IVSA Slovenia  
Henry Ta-Heng Huang, Secretary to the MOD, IVSA Taiwan  
Andaç Kiliçkap, IVSA Turkey, Istanbul  
Jungmin Kim, IVSA South Korea

The top EO was Jungmin Kim, IVSA South Korea.

#### **46. Exchange of letters with the European Commission (EC), 13.16**

The EC's letter to IVSA (as shown in appendix) was printed out and handed out to delegates before this session of the GA.

Airina Sylte Kallmyr, Secretary to the President, IVSA Norway, moved to accept IVSA's response to the EC (as shown in appendix), with the provision that the ExCo can make minor alterations to the accepted response. This was adopted after debate and amendment.

#### **47. Exchange of letters with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), 13.24**

Arvid Cardinaels, IVSA Belgium, Gent, moved to accept IVSA's letter to the FAO (as shown in appendix), with the provision that the ExCo can make minor alterations, including minor content changes, to the accepted letter, and that the final letter to the FAO be presented to the GA. This was adopted after debate and amendment, and amendment of the letter.

#### **48. 63<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Symposium in the UK, 13.48**

Vicky Carliell, IVSA UK & Ireland, gave a presentation on behalf of the OC. The Symposium will take place between Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December and Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December, in Edinburgh and Nottingham, and will have places for 100 delegates plus two reduced fee spots. A pre-Symposium will be held in Liverpool. The theme will be "Pioneering Progress". Delegates can check whether they need a visa by visiting <https://www.gov.uk/visas-immigration>.

#### **49. Request for maximum Symposium fee increase for 63<sup>rd</sup> Symposium in the UK, 14.08 (continued in GA6)**

A letter from Christine Dubeau, IVSA UK & Ireland, requesting an increase in the maximum Symposium fee for the 63<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Symposium in the UK, including the Central Fund surcharge, from €300 to €340, was shown. Christine is on the OC for the Symposium (Secretary of the local OC from Edinburgh).

#### **50. Preliminary financial report for 2013-14, 14.28**

Somin Um, Treasurer, gave a preliminary financial report for 2013-14.

#### **51. Presentation of budget for 2014-15, for approval, 14.37**

Somin Um, Treasurer, presented the budget for 2014-15. Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, moved to approve the budget for 2014-15. This was adopted after debate and amendment of the budget.

#### **52. Proposal of base factor for membership fee calculations, for approval, 14.52**

Somin Um, Treasurer, proposed 22 as the base factor for membership fee calculations. Panagiotis Galatsanos, IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki, moved to approve 22 as the base factor for membership fee calculations. This was adopted.

#### **53. Proposal of Individual Supportive Membership (ISM) fees, 15.07**

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, moved to approve €20 as the fee for student Individual Supportive Members and €30 as the fee for non-student Individual Supportive Members. This was adopted.

#### **54. Nomination of two auditors for the Financial Report for 2013-14, 15.10**

Andaç Kiliçkap nominated Mert Özçiçek, IVSA Turkey, Istanbul, as an auditor for the Financial Report. Mert accepted.

Somin Um, Treasurer, nominated Ioana Pădurean, IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca, and Neus Rufino Gonzales, IVSA Spain, Barcelona, as auditors for the Financial Report.

A count having been ordered, the results were 8 votes cast for Mert, 23 votes cast for Ioana and 7 votes cast for Neus. Ioana Pădurean, IVSA Romania, was elected as the first auditor for the Financial Report with 60.5% of votes cast.

A count having been ordered, the results of the second round of voting were 21 votes cast for Mert and 16 votes cast for Neus. Mert Özçiçek, IVSA Turkey, Istanbul, was elected as the second auditor for the Financial Report with 56.8% of votes cast.

### **55. New Member Organization Applications, 15.29 (continued in GA6)**

Camille Poissonnier, Member Organization Director, gave a presentation on the 15 new Member Organization applications.

Tom Merten, Individual Supportive Member, gave a presentation on the membership application of IVSA Germany. IVSA Germany would represent the faculties of Berlin, Hanover, Leipzig, Giessen and Munich.

Dejen Assaye, guest, gave a presentation on the membership application of IVSA Ethiopia, Gondar.

The GA went into recess at 15.59.

## **General Assembly Part 6**

6 August, 2014

Jan Mattila, Chairman, Honorary Life Member, called the GA to order.

### **Roll Call, 9.03**

<b>Voting Entity</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Austria	X	
Belgium	X	
China	X	
Denmark	X	
Finland	X	
France	X	
Germany	X	
Greece	X	
Indonesia	X	
Iran	X	
Malaysia	X	
Nepal		X
Netherlands	X	
Norway	X	
Poland	X	

Portugal	X	
Romania	X	
SAVMA	X	
Slovenia	X	
South Africa	X	
South Korea	X	
Spain	X	
Taiwan	X	
Thailand	X	
Tunisia	X	
Turkey	X	
UK & I	X	

**Quorum was maintained with 59.1% (26/44 voting entities present and eligible to vote).**

Representatives of the applying Member Organizations IVSA Ethiopia and IVSA Germany (from the faculty in Leipzig) were present as guests.

#### **56. New Member Organization Applications, 9.05**

Andaç Kiliçkap, IVSA Turkey, Istanbul, gave presentations on behalf of IVSA Turkey, Firat, and IVSA Turkey, Samsun.

Camille Poissonnier, Member Organization Director, gave a presentation on behalf of IVSA Egypt, Assiut.

Presentations from IVSA Algeria, Blida, IVSA Brazil, Curitiba, IVSA Bulgaria, Stara Zagora, IVSA Cameroon, UoN, IVSA France, Nantes, IVSA Jordan, IVSA Namibia, IVSA Nigeria, Abeokuta, IVSA Slovakia and IVSA Uganda were handed out in printed form to the delegates before the GA.

Samuel Smith, IVSA SAVMA, moved to approve all 15 new Member Organization applications together. This was adopted.

#### **57. Presentation of nominees for ExCo, Secretariat, Trust and Committee Chairs, 9.26**

Emma van Rooijen, Parliamentarian, IVSA The Netherlands, presented her nomination for President.

Sara Wüeggertz, Chairman of SCoMTE, IVSA Denmark, presented her nomination for Secretary General.

Isaac Corderroure Lopéz, IVSA Spain, Barcelona, presented his nomination for Treasurer.



Khouloud Ben Salem, IVSA Tunisia, presented her nomination for Member Organization Director.

A statement from Ivana Hajzler, IVSA Serbia, regarding her nomination for Member Organization Director, was presented.

Kayleigh-Anne Norman, IVSA UK & Ireland, Andrzej Lorek, IVSA Poland, Lublin, and Kuo Wei Chu, IVSA Taiwan, presented their nominations for Development Aid Director.

Jennifer Holle, IVSA SAVMA, presented her nomination for External Relations Officer.

Merel Rodenburg, IVSA SAVMA, presented her nomination for Member of ExCo.

Jessica Urban, IVSA SAVMA, Seyed Ardalán, IVSA Iran, Khairina Halim, IVSA Malaysia, Putra, Ann-Katrin Autz, IVSA Austria, Seth Yaw Afedo, IVSA China, Nanjing, Panagiotis Galatsanos, IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki, Taeun Ryan Kim, IVSA South Korea, Reza Akram Purwosunu, IVSA Indonesia, and Sone Pretorius, IVSA South Africa, presented their nominations for Secretariat.

Anıl Türer, IVSA Turkey, Istanbul, presented his nomination for Public Relations Coordinator.

James Bost, Secretary General and Vice-President, presented the nominations for Trust.

Shadi Hénchiri, IVSA Tunisia, presented his nomination for Chairman of the Animal Welfare Committee.

Sarah Krones, IVSA SAVMA, presented her nomination for Chairman of the Standing Committee on One Health.

A statement from Eleni Moltsanidou, IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki, regarding her nomination for Chairman of the Standing Committee on One Health, was presented.

Tom Merten, Individual Supportive Member, presented his nomination for Chairman of the Standing Committee on Veterinary Education.

The GA went into recess from 10.39 until 10.49.

### **58. Nominations for hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium, 10.50**

There were no nominations for hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium at this time.

### **59. Nominations for hosting the 65<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress, 10.51**

There were no nominations for hosting the 65<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress at this time.

## **60. Request for maximum Symposium fee increase for 63<sup>rd</sup> Symposium in the UK, 10.51**

The budget for the 63<sup>rd</sup> Symposium in the UK was printed off and handed out to delegates before the start of this GA session.

Lara Scherer, IVSA Germany, Munich, moved to increase the maximum Symposium fee, including the 10% Central Fund surcharge, from €300 to €340, with the condition that the Reduced Fee Fund be used to provide up to five additional reduced fee spots for Symposium. This was adopted after debate and amendment.

## **61. 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress in Romania, 10.57**

Ioana Pădurean, IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca, gave a presentation about the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress in Romania. The 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress is planned to be held between 28 July and 8 August 2015, in Cluj-Napoca, for 150 delegates. The theme will be “human-animal interaction. Amazing Transylvania!”

## **62. Proposal of maximum Congress fee, 11.03**

Ioana Pădurean, IVSA Romania, Cluj-Napoca, gave a presentation about the budget of the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress in Romania.

Frédéric Lohr, Trustee, IVSA Germany, Munich, moved to set the maximum Congress fee at €400, including the Central Fund surcharge. This was adopted after debate and amendment.

## **63. SAVMA Symposium, 11.13**

Sara Ford, IVSA SAVMA, gave a presentation on SAVMA Symposium 2015. The Symposium will take place over March 19-21, 2015, in Minnesota, USA. The registration fee has not yet been decided.

## **64. SYMCO, 11.22**

Nandi van Wyk, IVSA South Africa, gave a presentation on SYMCO. More information can be found by visiting [www.symco.co.za](http://www.symco.co.za), contacting [symco.op@gmail.com](mailto:symco.op@gmail.com), joining the “SYMCO Onderstepoort” Facebook group or following SYMCO2015 on Twitter. It will be held in June to July 2015, and those wishing to attend must apply online before 30 October 2014. The cost will be 31500 Rand.

## **65. Partner Presentation – WSAVA, 11.31**

Dr. Siraya Chunekamrai, Honorary Secretary of The World Small Animal Veterinary Association (WSAVA), gave a presentation on WSAVA (of which IVSA is a member association), including the WSAVA World Congress and its Global Outreach Programme. WSAVA has 93 member associations and 145,000+ veterinarians. The WSAVA Vision is “Companion animals worldwide receive veterinary care that ensures their optimal health and welfare”, and the WSAVA Mission is “To advance

the health and welfare of companion animals worldwide through an educated, committed and collaborative global community of veterinary peers”. As a member of WSAVA, member benefits for IVSA members include access to a free timeless veterinary formula app, and free access to the Clinician’s Brief journal. More information on WSAVA can be found on their website, [www.wsava.org](http://www.wsava.org).

### **66. Partner Presentation – GARC, 11.45**

Dr. Sarah Jayne, Senior Veterinary Manager of Global Alliance for Rabies Control (GARC), and Theofanis Liatis, Veterinary Public Health Director and Chairman of the Standing Committee on One Health, gave a presentation on GARC. Free educational materials can be found at [www.rabiesblueprint.com](http://www.rabiesblueprint.com) and <http://rabiesalliance.org>. The Global One Health Challenge is centred around World Rabies Day (September 28 2014) and is a project of IVSA’s SCOH, IFMSA and GARC. To participate, create and register your team, organize an event around World Rabies Day, from September 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>. All funds raised by the teams will go towards a GARC rabies field project, as chosen by the teams. More information on the Global One Health Challenge can be found at <http://rabiesalliance.org/what-we-do/world-rabies-day/global-one-health-challenge>.

The GA went into recess at 12.00.

## **General Assembly Part 7**

7 August, 2014

Jan Mattila, Chairman, Honorary Life Member, called the GA to order.

### **Roll Call, 11.09**

<b>Voting Entity</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Austria	X	
Belgium	X	
China		X
Denmark	X	
Finland	X	
France	X	
Germany	X	
Greece	X	
Indonesia	X	
Iran	X	
Malaysia	X	
Nepal		X
Netherlands	X	
Norway	X	
Poland	X	
Portugal	X	
Romania	X	

SAVMA	X	
Slovenia	X	
South Africa	X	
South Korea	X	
Spain	X	
Taiwan	X	
Thailand	X	
Tunisia	X	
Turkey	X	
UK & I	X	

**Quorum was maintained with 56.8% (25/44 voting entities present and eligible to vote).**

Representatives of the applying Member Organizations IVSA Ethiopia and IVSA Germany (from the faculty in Leipzig) were present as guests.

### **67. Partner Presentation – World Animal Protection, 11.20**

Dr. Ian Dacre, Senior Veterinary Advisor, Asia Pacific, World Animal Protection, gave a presentation on behalf of World Animal Protection, an organization acting locally and globally to protect animals around the globe, including their work in disaster relief, and protecting animals in farming, in communities and in the wild. World Animal Protection’s Concepts in Animal Welfare teaching materials are freely available from [www.animalmosaic.org](http://www.animalmosaic.org).

### **68. Voting on nominees for ExCo, Secretariat, and Committee Chairs, 11.42 (continued after next agenda point)**

Janina Janssen, Election Committee, IVSA Austria, gave a presentation on voting in the ExCo and Committee Chairs elections.

The voting was conducted by written ballot. Khoulood Ben Salem was elected as Member Organization Director with 39 out of 52 votes cast (75.0%).

Sarah Krones was elected as Chairman of the Standing Committee on One Health with 38 out of 51 votes cast (74.5%).

After the first round of voting for the Development Aid Director, no majority was achieved by any nominee, so the nominee with the lowest number of votes, Andrejz Lorek, was eliminated from the nomination for that position and a second round of voting was held. Kayleigh-Anne Norman was elected as Development Aid Director with 29 out of 52 votes cast (55.8%).

Janina Janssen, Election Committee, IVSA Austria, gave a presentation on voting in the Secretariat election.

## **69. Partner Presentation – World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), 12.52**

Dr. Tomoko Ishibashi, Deputy Regional Representative for Asia and the Pacific, World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE), gave a presentation on OIE, an organization which aims to improve animal health and welfare globally, and which collaborates with WHO and FAO. OIE's work includes recommendations on day one competencies for graduated veterinarians, core curriculum guidelines and twinning projects for veterinary schools. OIE HQ has been offering opportunities for advanced veterinary students or recent veterinary graduates to experience OIE's work for 1-6 months

## **70. Partner Presentation – FAVA and WVA, 13.14**

Dr. Achariya Sailasuta, World Veterinary Association (WVA) Councillor for Asia and Oceania, gave a presentation on WVA. The WVA unites and represents the global veterinary profession, and is an umbrella organization for local, national, regional and international veterinary associations. The WVA mission is to assure and promote animal health and welfare and public health globally, through developing and advancing veterinary medicine, the veterinary profession as well as public and private veterinary services. The WVA vision is to be the voice of the global veterinary profession, and that there shall exist a strong united global veterinary community, ensuring that veterinary services have sufficient resources that are staffed with veterinarians, who are properly educated and licensed by the legal authority to practice veterinary medicine. WVA collaborates with numerous international organizations, including IVSA. WVA's policy positions can be found on the WVA website, [www.worldvet.org](http://www.worldvet.org)

Dr. Achariya Sailasuta, Secretary General of Federation of Asian Veterinary Associations (FAVA), gave a presentation on FAVA. FAVA's vision is to be recognized by the public as a unified association serving the veterinary needs of the region through the strength it provides to the veterinary profession. FAVA is focusing on unified veterinary curricula in the region, implementing the one health strategy, and international collaboration. Their website is [www.favamember.org](http://www.favamember.org).

## **71. Voting on nominees for ExCo, Secretariat, and Committee Chairs, 13.27**

The voting was conducted via written ballot. The 8 nominees elected to the Secretariat were:

- Seth Yaw Afedo, IVSA China, with 40 out of 400 votes cast (10.0%)
- Seyed Ardalan Moussavi, IVSA Iran, with 38 out of 400 votes cast (9.5%)
- Kuo Wei Chu, IVSA Taiwan, with 36 out of 400 votes cast (9.0%)
- Taeun Ryan Kim, IVSA South Korea, with 36 out of 400 votes cast (9.0%)
- Ann-Katrin Autz, IVSA Austria, with 32 out of 400 votes cast (8.0%)
- Reza Akram Purwosunu, IVSA Indonesia, with 32 out of 400 votes cast (8.0%)
- Panagiotis Galatsanos, IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki, with 31 out of 400 votes cast (7.8%)
- Khairina Abdul Halim, IVSA Malaysia, with 27 out of 400 votes cast (6.8%)

## **72. Nominations for hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium, I3.31**

There were no further nominations for hosting the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium.

## **73. Nominations for hosting the 65<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress, I3.32**

There were no nominations for hosting the 65<sup>th</sup> IVSA Congress at this time. Nominations will be re-opened at the 63<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Symposium in the UK.

## **74. Report from 62<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Symposium in Turkey, for approval, I3.33**

Anıl Tüerer, IVSA Turkey, Istanbul, presented the report from the 62<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Symposium in Turkey, on behalf of IVSA Turkey, Ankara.

James Bost stated that the Symposium OC from IVS Turkey, Ankara, have not been fulfilling their obligations (paying the 10% surcharge on Symposium fees to the IVSA Central Fund) despite repeated reminders, and suggested that the GA take no further action now, but that this be considered an “official warning” that IVSA Turkey, Ankara’s membership could be terminated at the 63<sup>rd</sup> IVSA Symposium if they should continue to not fulfill their obligations.

Lukas Huber, IVSA Austria, moved to approve the report from the 62<sup>nd</sup> IVSA Symposium in Turkey. This was adopted after debate.

The Chair clarified that the ExCo had communicated an official warning to the OC.

## **75. Nominations of 64<sup>th</sup> Symposium presentations and voting, I3.57**

Yong Heon Lee, Taeun Ryan Kim and Kim Jung Ming, IVSA South Korea, presented IVSA South Korea’s nomination for the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium.

John Hao-Hun Wu and Henry Ta-Heng Huang, Secretary to the MOD, IVSA Taiwan, presented IVSA Taiwan’s nomination for the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium.

Evanthia Kolovou, IVSA Greece, Thessaly, and Panagiotis Galatsanos, IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki, presented the nomination for the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium from IVSA Greece, Thessaloniki, and IVSA Greece, Thessaly.

A written ballot having been ordered, the results of the first round of voting were as follows:

IVSA Taiwan received 21 out of 52 votes cast (40.4%)

IVSA South Korea received 19 out of 52 votes cast (36.5%)

IVSA Greece, Thessaly and Thessaloniki, received 12 out of 52 votes cast (23.1%)

After the first round of voting for the hosts of the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium, no majority was achieved by any nominee, so a second round of voting was held.

Lukas Huber, IVSA Austria, moved to suspend the rules to allow the winner to be determined by plurality rather than simple majority. This was adopted.

The results of the second round of voting were as follows:

IVSA Taiwan received 25 out of 51 votes cast (49.0%)

IVSA South Korea received 19 out of 51 votes cast (37.3%)

IVSA Greece, Thessaly and Thessaloniki, received 7 out of 51 votes cast (13.7%)

IVSA Taiwan was elected as the host of the 64<sup>th</sup> IVSA Symposium with a plurality of 49.0%.

**76.AOB**

- a. **Suggestion of Bylaws change to amend Structure of the Secretariat and Regional Representation, I 5.45** – James Bost, Secretary General and Vice-President, requested that those with ideas to improve this proposed amendment or to do things differently should contact James Bost or Pim Polak, President, with their ideas. Their email addresses can be found on the IVSA website, and as of 1 September, they will have new Trustee email addresses.

The GA adjourned at 15.46.



James Bost  
Secretary General and Vice-President