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Here are some of us pictured prior to our exchange with Vienna Veterinary University - we subsequently made a t-shirt from this photo and presented it to them during the exchange as a gift.



IVSA Hungary



Just what is IVSA Hungary? and how can you get involved?

Editorial By Odhrán Smith, IVSA Hungary President

Welcome to a new semester at Szent István university and I hope it will be a successful one for everybody.

The IVSA was set up in 1951 and is celebrating its 61st anniversary this year. We are a not-for-profit organisation run by volunteer veterinary students from across the world. Our goal is to improve the international standard of veterinary education through the mutual sharing of ideas, know-how and culture.

The mission of IVSA is "To benefit the animals and people of the world" by harnessing the potential and dedication of veterinary students to promote the international application of veterinary skills, education and knowledge.

The way in which this is effected is by organising annual

meetings (congresses and symposia), managing ongoing projects, promoting exchanges and publishing a quarterly newsletter.

Animal Welfare Committee: One of the cornerstones of IVSA is to assist and benefit animals. We have a committee that assists on projects to achieve this goal. With a global organisation like IVSA we hope to inform as many students as possible and spread the awareness of difficulties, programs and opportunities throughout the world.

Congresses and Symposia:

Annual congresses and symposia permit students to debate issues relevant to the IVSA, partake in workshops, tours and cultural programs and

come away with unforgettable memories and many new friends.

IVSA helps to expand the global collaboration of students, enriching their learning experience and improving their skill set as future veterinarians.

Development Fund:

The aim of the Development Fund is to help veterinary education in less-developed countries. Receipt of a Development Fund grant automatically entitles the recipient to membership of the IVSA for that year. The Development has helped many students through donations of books and equipment most recently in Ghana, Moldova, and Colombia.

IVSA HUNGARY plans for 2012-2013

By Odhrán Smith

In terms of worldwide upcoming events we have the following: The IVSA Symposium South Africa <http://www.ivsa-southafrica.co.za>

The theme is "One World, One Health" (participation €275, €137 x2 LDCs), January 3rd-11th, 2013, deadline was 7 Sept 2012, if someone is interested I can enquire if there is still availability.

Upcoming Congress - 62nd The Netherlands, 2013.

Hill's Webinars continue on September 25th with Chronic Pancreatitis in Dogs with Dr. Jorg M. Steiner DVM, PhD, DACVIM, DECVIM-CA. The Webinar will take place 25th September at 19:30pm CET. Register today for free : <http://www.hillsevents.edu/>

The Development fund will be receiving donations until December 17th, 2012; please contact the Development Fund Officer, Krista Carlson (IVSA SAVMA) at dfo@ivsa.org for more details.

From the point of view of the local chapter we would like to make a presentation soon to the various classes about the IVSA's activities and to recruit new members for vacant positions. It is envisaged that we will then have a motivation meeting to decide on which activities to proceed with this semester.

'Forum for vet students' will continue this year with themes such as:



Spanish Riding School Vienna

A demonstration of the haute école dressage so well known throughout the world. We were privileged to watch this as part of our exchange with IVSA Austria.



what to do after graduation: SA/LA practice speakers, Pharmaceutical industry speakers, presentation by the IVSA-HU. Other topics on the agenda include: animal welfare (Animal - an object or a person?), how to find a good practice at home and abroad, education and practice in the USA .

We will continue to highlight the possibility of Individual Exchanges as a benefit of IVSA membership with other IVSA Chapters, e.g. Pretoria. We intent to organise a Group Exchange again this semester with another local chapter and to build up know how with regard to same.

Our long term goals include the possibility of a joint IVSA-FSA-HÖK Excursion, perhaps in February 2013 -

IVSA worldwide recent events

By Odhrán Smith

IVSA Congress 2011 in South Korea July 20th to July 30th, 2011.

'Bush to Beach' Volunteer Project in South Africa.

World Conference on Veterinary Education - 13 May to 15 May 2011.

"Vets Study Everywhere" photo exhibition - 30th April 2011.

Asia Conference in Japan, August 22nd 2011.

"Beyond the Education" Ankara 3rd Sept 2011.

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by bus to an interesting capital, staying youth hostel overnight and visiting zoos the local IVSA chapter. Details to be ironed out later in the semester. Also we would like to make all members of Univet IVSA members to increase their international possibilities and enhance their professional lives, until that point we will continue to enroll those who are interested in these events.

Upcoming newsletters: teacher interviews, Dog/horse breed profiling, articles on farriery etc., interesting case notes, recent exchanges and events, congress reporting, Hungarian vet congress reportage, speaker summaries, motivation meeting report, and editorials will feature.

17th FECAVA Eurocongress Istanbul, Turkey 7-10 September 2011, Theme: "modern vet practices".

In April 2012, IVSA President, Cihangir Dursun and Publications Officer, Lucy Bright, attended the largest ever World Small Animal Veterinary Association (WSAVA) World Congress on behalf of the IVSA.

Summer joint general assembly of EVERI and FVE from June 7th - 9th 2012 in Amsterdam, attended by Frederic Lohr (Secretary Trustee).

The spring IFISO meeting took place in Lodz, Poland May 2012, and was attended by Cihangir (IVSA President) and the IVSA CEO.

IVSA-HU: Where it all started and what is next...

By Kim Pettersson, IVSA Hungary Chairman and Dorka Ivanyos, Vice Chairwoman

In the summer of 2010 the Hungarian local chapter of IVSA - International Veterinary Students' Association - was re-animated. We are now a part of a worldwide association managed by students, for students.

During this past year, we have explored what is IVSA in theory and in practise.

THE PRINCIPLE GOALS OF IVSA

* To raise the overall standard of veterinary education by increasing international and inter-cultural exchange of ideas and knowledge.

IVSA MEETS THESE GOALS BY

- * Organising student exchange programmes
- * Holding international congresses and symposia
- * Supporting veterinary education, especially in disadvantaged countries
- * Publication, represent veterinary students interest ect.

This is IVSA, in theory.

In practise, IVSA very much functions like you would expect from its' theoretical outline. To be present at an IVSA event is, each time, a new experience with a cultural, scientific and social blend of impressions. The things that attracts us about IVSA is the possibilty to meet with colleagues from another culture in their own country, to be shown around their university grounds, have a night out in the town they live and

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make new social and professional relationships - from everywhere in the world.

In our local Hungarian chapter, we believe in putting IVSA theory into IVSA practise. It is simple enough and certainly a way to get the most out of your student life. Still we plan to continue the adventure!

IVSA membership comes with an annual membership fee, and although congresses and symposia are relatively cheap concerning the incredible organisation of the hosting local chapter, we are always looking for sponsors for our activities.

In conclusion, IVSA Hungary is a "new" old chapter with a crew of students willing to try out their ideas and skills in organising fun events and being part of the global family which is IVSA.

IVSA Group Exchange Vienna

On the left, Theodora and Dorka enjoying the performance at the Spanish Riding School; right, a panda in the Tiergarten Schönbrunn - Vienna Zoo.





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Odhrán Smith



What have we been up to? IVSA Hungary's progress

By Odhrán Smith

It all started in summer 2010 with the 59th Congress in Denmark, this was our first event and we re-registered the Hungarian Chapter at this point. It was a fantastic time and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

Then in December 2010 we had our first Group Exchange weekend with the University of Veterinary Medicine, Vienna or VetMedUniVienna as their logo puts it. It was a very worthwhile trip participating in guided tours of the campus and also visiting many cultural sites in the city such as the Spanish Riding School and the famous zoo.

In January 2011 there was the 59th IVSA Symposium in Slovenia, which was well attended and turned out to be a fully-packed schedule, from lectures, quizzes, workshops (rectal US, dehorning etc.), a visit to an oncology dept., cave exploration to visiting a lipizzaner stud and going skiing.

After that it was Hungary's turn to host the Austrian IVSA Chapter group exchange, which was held in June 2011. It was our first time hosting an IVSA group exchange so we had to learn a lot as we went along however I think we were very successful in showing the best Hungary had to offer, the

Szechenyi baths, wine tasting, a pathology dissection, a visit to Etyek not to mention a tour of the library museum and an examination of Budapest ruin bars!

Following on from that, in March 2011, IVSA-HU organised a seminar by Dr Richard Nap on career options, running a clinic and VetStart, a website for veterinary students and veterinarians. This was very well attended and held people's interest throughout.

In summer 2011 there was the 60th Congress in South Korea, and indeed some of did make the long journey to attend, and pay the registration fees for the Chapter :) The visit to Hanok traditional village was particularly interesting.

December 2011 was an exciting month for IVSA members as we participated in the Austrian-Croatian-Hungarian-Slovenian Group Exchange, once again in Vienna. There were many memorable moments of this exchange including a tour of the bovine surgery theatre (above right) and a fun city rally in quite a chilly and snow-covered Vienna. Of course we also visited an absinthe distillery and discussed the future of the IVSA Chapters.

IVSA In Slovenia

What we lost to IVSA

By Kim Pettersson

This text is about the annual IVSA Symposium, which in January 2011 took place in beautiful sLOVEenia. IVSA symposia and congresses are something amazing – +100 veterinary students from more than 25 countries coming together for one week of scientific and social events!

"What we lost to IVSA"

On the bottom of the Adriatic sea, in the Gulf of Trieste, lies a camera. Centuries from now it could be recovered from the seafloor by divers and with highly developed technology its content restored and made viewable again. After some pictures has been analysed by historicans, they will hopefully come to the conclusion that this camera belonged to a veterinary student existing in the early 21st century. Realising this, I imagine that the historicans would forward these pictures to the veterinary society, and their content be analysed by these veterinarians of the future. What would they say about the colleagues that preceeded them a long time ago?

Holy cow, Dr. Jones - this looks like a gathering for an IVSA symposium! Can you see how many nationalities are gathered together, and how much they seem to be enjoying themselves?

By Pasteur - you are right Dr. Johnson! This shows that students existing a long time ago was interested in ways to enrich their student life by make new friends and colleagues, visiting new places and learning about how the veterinary profession is parctised in other countries – much like the students existing yet today!

Yes, I am sure things will not be all that different for the future students of veterinary science. They could still join to IVSA - International Veterinary Students' Association - an organisation based on the ideal work of veterinary students from around the world. But, the future is not ours to tell. We can only do our best with what we got at this moment, and not let go of our beliefs. Or our cameras. It can be so annoying when we loose them. Becouse the fact remains: on the bottom of the Adriatic sea, in the Gulf of Trieste, lies a camera. It is one of the things lost during the week in Slovenia.

Sleep, we can all agree, is a valuable thing. But speaking of losses, I must confess a lot of sleep is in fact lost during an IVSA event. When

you are staying together with 100 other international students during a short period, this is one thing that you will have to compromise with. Each IVSA event is filled with exciting and unique things that the hosting country has to offer, so there is no such thing as having an early evening. Lets look at a typical schedule: "Tour-the-Bar" evening.. well you just can't miss that.. Cultural Evening, with food and drinks from 25 different countries... you definately wanna be there.. Formal Dinner with table serving and live band playing.. oh well, you just have to sleep when you get old!

Adding to the list of things lost, some money is typically gone after having attended an IVSA event. Much like any other holiday trip you would make to a new and fascinating place, you are bound to wanna buy souvenirs and try the regional brands of beer. But here's the bonus of IVSA: imagine you get the chance to buy souvenirs brought from 25 different countries and at the same time helping other veterinary students toward a better education. How is this arranged? With an auction of course! The auction is one of the most hilarious evenings of the symposium. We all try to raise as much money as possible for our items by showing off our dancing-skills, offering a date to the winner, or perhaps be bold enough to entertain with a strip-tease – it's all for the good of charity! The money raised from this auction goes to the IVSA Development Fund, created to help veterinary faculties in developing countries to raise the standard of their education by recieving books, microscopes, computer and other equipment with the help of IVSA. Souvenirs to you, books and equipment to your veterinary colleagues who truly need it!

The last important thing you loose during an IVSA event is time. Does an IVSA event really require a whole week of your life? The answer is no. It requires much more. But luckily, do to the brilliant organisation of the hosting students, a two week program can be fitted in to one week! Here is an example of what we did during a week at the 59th IVSA symposium:

Lectures by Hills followed by a quizz (veterinary books and iPhone among the prizes!)

Practical workshop with rectal ultrasonography, dehorning and hoof trimming of cows...

IVSA in Slovenia What we lost to the IVSA

By Kim Pettersson

Castrations of rams with the students getting hand-on experience

Visiting a hospital specialized for surgical and medicinal treatment of oncologic patients

Visiting to Lipizzaner horse stables (with opportunity to ride the horses)

Guided tour in Krka pharmaceutical company

Exploring caves, going skiing, seightseeing of the capital, visiting a zoo

And much more...



59th IVSA SYMPOSIUM SLOVENIA 2011



On the bottom of the Adriatic sea, in the Gulf of Trieste, lies a camera. And yes, the students who attended the symposium did also loose sleep, money and time (and some clothes). But what we loose to IVSA will be the findings of the coming generations. What we invest into the present will be the foundation of the future. So let us all keep losing to IVSA – because I'm sure you would agree, by this we all gain so much more.

Kim Pettersson
IVSA Hungary



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Right: Vet Start
Career seminar on
campus with Dr
Richard Nap,
'Difficulties with the
camera self timer'.

Above right: Dorka
and Theodora at the
registration booth.

Top right: Janina
Janssen from
Austria sports an 'I
love Budapest' t-
shirt on the Group
Exchange.

Above left: Odhrán
and Dorka provide
refreshments during
the interval.



An IVSA Chapter in focus IVSA Alfort, France

We are a quite young local chapter, created in June 2010, and located at Alfort Veterinary School, near Paris, France. Our aim is to develop exchanges with vet student from all over the world, create new friendship and opportunities. More about us

Therefore we develop opportunities for french students to spend some time abroad, through group or individual exchanges, congresses or symposia. We also wish to welcome foreign students here in France, experience group exchanges and offer several individual exchanges in our teaching hospitals. We also help Erasmus students find their way around Paris throw parties, tutoring and a lot of fun. Last be not least, we aim to to promote humanitarian projects abroad (volunteering, hosting students,...).

We already realized several projects, such as the organization of the opening ceremony of Vet 2011 in Versailles, a group exchange with the RVC and Cambridge, many individual exchanges, Erasmus events and tutoring, an OIE conference... and many others are to come !!!

We would be very happy to create exchanges with different IVSA local chapters, if you are interested, if you would like to meet us or go to France, for a few days or a longer exchange check out the website and send us an e-mail at ivsa.assoalfort@gmail.com. Besides, we have a facebook page, check it out !

Nous sommes une association assez jeune, créée en Juin 2010 et située à l'Ecole Vétérinaire d'Alfort, près de Paris. Notre objectif est de développer les échanges avec des étudiants vétérinaires de tous les coins du monde et de créer de nouvelles amitiés et opportunités. Plus d'info

Pour cela, nous développons de nouvelles opportunités pour les étudiants français de s'ouvrir à l'international grâce à des échanges de groupe ou individuel, des stages, des congrès ou des colloques.

Nous souhaitons également la bienvenue aux étudiants étrangers ici en France, en particulier aux étudiants Erasmus, ou en aidant à trouver des stages au sein de nos hôpitaux universitaires. Nous aidons également les étudiants Erasmus à trouver leur chemin autour de Paris, à s'organiser pour les cours et à s'intégrer et s'amuser au sein de l'école.

Dernière action, et non des moindres, nous visons à promouvoir des projets humanitaires à l'étranger (bénévolat, accueil des étudiants, ...).

Nous avons déjà réalisé plusieurs projets, tels que l'organisation de la cérémonie d'ouverture de Vet 2011 à Versailles, un échange de groupe d'échange avec le Royal Veterinary College de Londres et de Cambridge, de nombreux échanges individuel, des événements ERASMUS, une conférence de l'OIE ... et bien d'autres sont à venir! !

Nous serions très heureux de créer des échanges avec des associations IVSA d'autres horizons, si vous êtes intéressé, si vous souhaitez nous rencontrer ou aller en France, pour quelques jours ou un long échange consultez le site Web et envoyez-nous un e-mail à ivsa.assoalfort@gmail.com. Nous avons aussi une page Facebook, check it out!

PS: N'oubliez pas ... IVSA, c'est avant tout s'ouvrir à de nouveaux horizons ;)

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Below: Odhrán and Dorka provide refreshments during the interval at the IVSA Hungary Vet Start Seminar.

