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Pictured right, some of the IVSA team
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IVSA Hungary Szeretnéd tudni mi az IVSA Magyarország, és hogyan tudnál csatlakozni?



Editorial By Odhrán Smith, IVSA Hungary Chairman. Translation: Ludányi András

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Üdvözljük a Szent István Egyetemen a tavaszi félévben. Reméljük mindenki egy sikeres félévnek néz elébe. Az IVSA 1951-ben alapult, így ebben az évben ünnepli fennállásának 61. évfordulóját. Az IVSA egy nonprofit alapú szerveződés, melyet önkéntes állatorvos hallgatók működtetnek a világ minden részéről. A célunk, hogy nemzetközileg javítsuk az állatorvostudományi oktatás színvonalát ötletek, tudnivalók és kultúránk kölcsönös megosztásával. A küldetésünk, hogy "Támogassuk a világon élő állatokat és embereket" kihasználva az állatorvostan hallgatók potenciálját és elhivatottságát, hogy elősegítsük az állatorvosi képzést, az oktatás és a tudás nemzetközi szintű elfogadását. Ezen célokért éves találkozók szervezésével

(kongresszusok, rendezvények), folyamatban lévő projektek menedzselésével, cserediákprogramok támogatásával és negyedéves hírlevél kiadásával küzdünk. Állatjóllelti bizottság: Az IVSA egyik alapköve, mely segíti és támogatja az állatokat. A bizottságunk különböző projekteket igazgat a cél elérése érdekében. Egy ilyen globális szerveződéssel, mint az IVSA, szeretnénk felhívni a figyelmet illetve minél több diákot informálni szerte a világon a nehézségekről, programokról és a különböző lehetőségekről. Kongresszusok és rendezvények: Az éves kongresszusok és rendezvények lehetővé teszik, hogy a diákok megvitathassanak az IVSA-el kapcsolatos témákat, részt vegyenek workshopokban,

kirándulásokon, kulturális programokon, és hogy felejthetetlen emlékekkel és új barátságokkal gazdagodva térjenek haza. A diákoknak, mint jövőbeli állatorvosoknak, az IVSA segíti az internacionális együttműködéseik kiszélesítését, gazdagítja a tanulási élményüket és fejleszti képességeiket. Fejlesztési Alap: A Fejlesztési Alap célja az állatorvostudományi oktatás színvonalának fejlesztése a fejlődő országokban. A Fejlesztési Alap adományának nyugtája automatikusan feljogosítja az átvevőt az azévi IVSA tagságra. A Fejlesztés rengeteg diákot segített könyv-, és tanszeradományokkal legutóbb Ghánában, Moldovában és Kolumbiában.

IVSA Explained

By Sarah Florence, IVSA Hungary President

IVSA is the International Veterinary Students Association, it has a chapter in most of the vet schools of the world. The main goal is to link students of all vet school and to share knowledge. This is done by the means of international congresses and symposia (the next ones are in Turkey this January and Indonesia this summer).

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We are also having group exchanges with students of other chapters mainly in Europe, the last ones were very successful and were in Austria and the UK. This year we plan on having another group exchange. It is also possible to have individual exchanges, which are more flexible in terms of timing and destination.

Furthermore, being a member of IVSA gives you the opportunity to participate in IVSA events like one of our members did last year in Italy.

The program of exchanges and events is always both cultural and scientific, and no need to mention: a great lot of fun!

How to become a member?

If you are interested in joining IVSA Hungary, send us an email to ivsahungary@gmail.com, with:

- Your name
- Your email address
- Your year of study

We are looking forward to receiving your membership application, and we can't wait to meet you!



Above: previous IVSA Annual Public Meeting

IVSA Hungary would like to welcome Louise Lemonnier to the team, in addition to Paul Borg. Newer drafts include Luzia Klauser, Franziska Kluge, Aime Kuusela, Ilona Harju, Boglarka Kobol and quite a few more :)

Louise has been doing a fantastic job keeping the budget together as Treasurer and Paul is on top of the exchanges as Exchange Officer.

World Veterinary Day is an important initiative of one of IVSA's main partners; the World Veterinary Association (WVA). This year it will be celebrated on the 26th of April 2014 and will focus on the theme of 'Animal Welfare'.

As always, World Veterinary Day is aimed at bringing the importance of the Veterinary Profession to the general public by underlining the vital role of veterinarians in ensuring animals health and welfare, food safety, food security, safe world trade in animals and animal products as well as protecting public health. Many of our partners, such as OIE and AVMA, participate in World Veterinary Day by organizing their own activities, and this year it's IVSA's turn to get involved. In other words: your chance to get involved!! For more details see the ivsahungary.org website.



GA report from 62nd IVSA Symposium, IVSA Bake Sale

By Louise Lemonnier, Treasurer

The 62nd IVSA Symposium occurred in early January in Ankara – Turkey.

Sadly none of our members could go since we are in exam period right now, but thanks to a great organization from the ExCo, we could attend the General Assemblies online, via Skype. Votes lead to the election of the new President of global IVSA: Anne Christine Follesdal, Norwegian.

We also welcomed three new Member Organisations into the family: IVSA Canada, IVSA New-Zealand and IVSA Palestine.

Finally, the destination for the 64th Symposium was voted on: it'll be held by IVSA Cluj-Napoca, Romania, from the 31st of July to the 10th of August 2015. This will occur after the 63rd Symposium, held by IVSA UK/Ireland, from the 13th to 21st December 2014.

"We would like to thank everyone who attended our Bake Sale on wednesday 20th november 2013! Until the next time with more rose des sables and cookies!"

"Our bake sale was quite successful, we sold out! The money collected will be added to the funds from the first bake sale to support the exchange, which is still under organization."

Below: previous IVSA Bake Sale volunteers





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WEVA Budapest 2013 World Equine Veterinary Association

By Louise Lemonnier, Treasurer

The 13th WEVA Congress (World Equine Veterinary Association) was held in early October in Budapest. This was a great opportunity for us, veterinary students interested in Equine practice, to approach world-class practitioners such as Dr. Louise Southwood, Dr. Jean-Marie Denoix, Dr. Patrick McCue, Dr. Jörg Auer and many others.

Equine Medicine was only reinforced. Our biggest concern was choosing which lectures to go to!

The Congress was held for three days, during which lectures and plenaries were held simultaneously in three lecture halls, at the Novotel Congress Hall.

A wide range of topics was covered in Internal Medicine (Gastrointestinal, Respiratory, Neurology, Reproduction) and Surgery (Orthopedics, Surgical techniques, Anaesthesiology).



On Friday night was held a horse-show and dinner at Lazar Equestrian Park, it was a lot of fun despite the great cold (the horse-show was held outside). We all very much enjoyed those 3 days, we learnt a lot and our interest for

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IVSA HUNGARY Moving forward

By **Odhrán Smith, Chairman**

In terms of upcoming events we have the following:

IVSA (open to IVSA Hungary members)

The **next exchange will be with Olsztyn, Poland**. They will visit Budapest from the 26th of February to the 2nd of March. IVSA Hungary will go to the return exchange in Poland from the 2nd to the 6th of April.

The **62nd IVSA Symposium** will be held in Ankara, Turkey from the 2nd January to the 10th January 2014. The theme of the Symposium is "Epidemics in the World". For further information please visit: ivsaankaratr.blogspot.com. Queries and requests: ivsa.ankara.tr@gmail.com

63rd IVSA Symposium: IVSA UK & Ireland: 13-21st December 2014

The **63rd IVSA Congress** will be held in Jakarta, Bogor (Bogor Agricultural Institute) and Yogyakarta (Gadjah Mada University), Indonesia, from July 29th until August 8th 2014. The congress theme is "Save Animals World in Peace". More details at <https://twitter.com/ivsacongress14>

Alumni can sign up until the 15th of March, standard application deadline: 20th February. Further details: www.facebook.com/63rdIVSACongressIndonesia2014

IVSA Egypt EVENT - Arabian Horses Workshop from 21st August until 1st of September 2014. Further details contact their EO and see their website for details: www.facebook.com/IVSA.EGYPT

The 5th IVSA Asia Conference is coming up this August 18-22nd in Serdang, Malaysia. There will be a variety of seminars, workshops and games with 'SOAR' as the theme this year. Grab this great chance to see the exotic birds in Malaysia! More details here: <http://ivsamalaysia.wix.com/ivsasaiaconferencemy>

IVSA Naples Spring Break:
22 May – 29 May 2014



(Non-IVSA - open to all)

6th International Conference on the Assessment of Animal Welfare at Farm and Group Level

The next WAFL conference (for the assessment of animal welfare at group or farm level) will be organized in Clermont-Ferrand, France, 3-5 September 2014. Deadline: July 20th. Details: <https://colloque.inra.fr/wafl2014>

39th World Small Animal Veterinary Association Congress

16-19 September 2014
Details: www2.kenes.com/wsava/registration/Pages/Registration.aspx

FVE - Autumn General Assembly, Thursday 20th November 2014 in the International Auditorium, 5 Boulevard du Roi Albert II, 1210 Brussels. Details: www.fve.org/members/uevp/general.php

32nd World Veterinary Congress, 13-17 September, 2015, Istanbul, Turkey; details: www.wvcistanbul2015.com

16th International Veterinary Medicine Students Scientific Research Congress

May 8-10, 2014: Istanbul/Turkey
<http://vetbak.istanbul.edu.tr/en>

AEGEE Association des États Généraux des Étudiants de l'Europe: summer events 2014:
www.zeus.aegce.org/portal/events/

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www.noviceproject.eu/pg/groups/237086/ivsa-hungary/

20th FECAVA EuroCongress from November 6 to 9, 2014, in Munich, Germany. Details: www.fecava2014.org

EVECCS Congress 2014
The 12th Congress of the European Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Society

The Clarion Congress Hotel Prague is proud to host the 13th congress of the European Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Society. Congress: 12-15th of June 2014. www.eveccs2014.org/eveccs_en

The 23rd **European Congress of Veterinary dentistry** will take place in on a cruise, departing Marseille, from 6-10 May 2014 in combination. To find out more, please visit the congress website. www.evds.org/cruise2014

FVE in collaboration with the CPME: **Ensuring Health & Sustainability in Europe: Doctors and Veterinarians together:** 7 April 2014: www.fve.org/news/presentations.php#C1

SYMCO 2015: July 2015 in SOUTH AFRICA. Apply before October 2014 at www.symco.co.za

2nd Intl. Vetcamp Saarlouis, DE: 7-10 or 14-17 August 2014
<http://tinyurl.com/vetcamp2>



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What have we been up to? IVSA Nottingham-Budapest Exchange II

By Sarah Baker

Like intrepid explorers, the 3 Nottingham veterinary musketeers ventured to Budapest for our IVSA exchange. We were lucky enough to have joined our exchange with Cambridge vet school which saw two of their students accompanying us to Hungary.

We went over there in April 2013 after the Budapest students had visited us for a great exchange in February.

We were greeted by a giant pizza (and I mean really giant) and then trialled their student bar, ‘Equus’ which was paradoxically (and rather amusingly) situated under their library. An event that was not to be remembered in the morning thanks to the fabulously cheap price of Budapest (student!) beer. We got to meet and party with more students who revelled in the same passion of veterinary science.

Intriguingly for us, Budapest vet school is not like any UK vet school in the sense that it runs the veterinary course parallel in 3 languages; English, German & Hungarian. Everyone who took part in the exchange with us was on the English speaking course; so we had 2 French girls, a Greek girl and a Maltese. So although we had no Hungarians actually on the exchange we could not have had more of a truly European exchange!

In the morning we dragged our sorry, throbbing heads to the level above the scene of the crime the previous evening – to the library. A truly lovely building, I think we were all impressed with the atmosphere and the building itself. It was clear that Budapest prided itself on its tradition of their 18th century vet school – and for good reason. The fact that their library gave out blankets to keep dedicated studiers warm seemed like an added bonus.

External report - the other side

IVSA Nottingham-Budapest Exchange II

By Sarah Baker

We proceeded to look around their entire vet campus which was interesting and wonderful at the same time. Tradition is obviously deeply set into the Hungarian vet school and something they are very proud of and rightly so. The buildings all had their own quirks and charms making it truly unique.

A tour around their museum only confirmed our opinions as we saw some fantastic old-fashioned veterinary tools / traditional Hungarian breeds of animals as well as learning about the infamous veterinarian, Marek.

The afternoon unfortunately greeted us with rain. But whilst we may have been damp nothing was going to dampen our spirits as we were going around the Budapest zoo and of course, as vet students we had to be excited about that. Although the zoo was sadly fully representative of any city zoo competing for physical space for their animal enclosures, we enjoyed it none the less. A personal highlight of this particular excursion was the alpacas pretending to enjoy our petting before not holding back in fully spitting in Paul's face. A moment we will all never forget.

After this, a few of us went to Lukacs baths which was a fantastic experience. On the Buda side of town, it was a bath that was dominated mostly by locals which made it feel extra special. With a lot of the baths underground at different temperatures it was a great way to relax even further.

For the evening we went back to Paul's flat to drink, socialise – and eat copious amounts of sour cream that Budapest appears to be famous for (understandably so – delicious!).

In the morning we wandered into town to the beautiful Budapest markets. They were a great opportunity for

souvenir purchasing and filled with lots of lovely handmade crafts. We explored the city and then in the evening we experienced some Hungarian food in a small cultural restaurant.

Constantly comparing to the expense of the UK we were blown away by the marvellous prices of Budapest, making the most of it by sampling everything on the menu (vegetarians and carnivores alike). After the meal we went out on a pub crawl around Budapest which was really good fun.

The next day we found a free walking tour which led us on an insightful and lengthy walk around the city - after which we felt we had seen Budapest properly.

That evening we had the extreme fortune to chance upon the Royal Opera House and purchase student tickets to a ballet performance of 'A Midsummer's Nights Dream' for roughly 90 pence per person. Less than one pound sterling! Feeling quite chuffed and excited for the evening, we trekked to the ballet feeling severely underdressed, still dressed in our daytime exploring-Budapest clothes. It soon became clear why our seats were quite so cheap as it was difficult to enjoy the performance without the sensation of neck stiffness and vertigo creeping upon us. However, it was not a full house and we were able to move to better seats during the interval. Anyway, as poor students, who were we to complain at 90p a performance? We had a really fantastic evening and there was something magical about being able to watch a ballet in Budapest and yet it speak to us all in the same universal language.

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We followed this up by another evening at Paul's where the Hungarian students had been slaving away to produce us yet more fabulous food following our tiring day of sightseeing and fun. After yet more sour cream (Budapest – you do it so well), we all went back to our host's houses feeling sleepy but satisfied.

Whilst on the exchange we had the fortune to go out to Budapest's large animal clinic. This was a really fantastic morning for so many reasons. Not only was the bus ride out there a great opportunity to see the Hungarian countryside but the clinic itself was really impressive. With a bias towards equine medicine and surgery, we saw a vast and well-equipped equine hospital in which we saw horses hospitalised for several different reasons.

The highlight of this particular excursion without doubt though, was the allowance and keen participation of Vicky and Alice (from Nottingham and Cambridge respectively) in castrating a male horse. Even though a class of Hungarian

students were there having a lesson in horse anaesthesia and surgery, it was somehow our students that were blessed with the hands-on experience. For most of us, it was our first opportunity to witness a horse operation and it was very exciting – particularly for Alice and Vicky who did a great job in whipping off the gonads to create gelding.

Our last night was spent in what can only and honestly be described as truly the weirdest bar probably in Europe. With rooms that were 'upside down' and with small, somewhat terrifying naked cherub babies on the ceiling we had a good but sobering evening spending our last times with the Hungarian students.

Made to feel truly welcome, explore the beautiful and fantastic city and culture of Budapest, we UK IVSA students can only have said we had a fantastic time. Theodora, Sarah, Louise & Paul could not have been any more hospitable to us if they had tried and they were definitely what made our trip so amazing.



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IVSA Alumni

IVSA Hungary - The story so far

Will you soon graduate and the idea that you won't be able to benefit anymore from IVSA and to enjoy those amazing experiences makes you almost sad?

Don't worry, the IVSA are developing new opportunities for graduated vets, and a new network with the IVSA Alumni Section.

We are eager to know what are your expectations about an alumni section : please send us what is for you a good "IVSA alumni association", and what it should include !

If you are interested in it, or if you know graduated vets who are interested in staying involved in IVSA, please contact your Exchange Officer and the IVSA trustees (trust@ivsa.org), they will give you more information about their projects, and especially about the first Alumni meeting in Indonesia this summer!

IVSA Hungary - The story

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 MEET THESE GOALS BY

- Organising student exchange programmes
 - Holding international congresses and symposia
 - Supporting veterinary education, especially in disadvantaged countries
 - Publication, represent veterinary students interest etc.
- 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 possibility 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 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. To conclude, IVSA Hungary a "new" old chapter with a crew of students willing to try out their ideas and skills in organising fun events and being a part of the global family which is IVSA.

IVSA HUNGARY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman - Mr Odhrán Smith
Advisor (VC) - Ms Theodora Bernitsa

IVSA HUNGARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President - Ms Sarah Florence
Treasurer - Ms Louise Lemonnier
Exchange Officer - Mr Paul Vincent Borg

The main tasks of the Supervisory Board are to:

- meet with the students at least once annually about running of IVSA Hungary
- elect Chair & Vice Chair annually
- Advise on activities
- do online student polling
- regulate & oversee the Executive Board independently

The main tasks of the Executive Board are:

- the quotidian management of IVSA Hungary
- organising Group exchanges
- organising Individual Exchanges
- hold meetings
- organising Events
- organise elections for the Executive Board as required
- producing Newsletters and online publications
- organise finances and funding

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 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.