



FINAL ANNEXED RECOMMENDATION

(Related Recommendation n°9 directed to the OIE):

Reporting on the Veterinary Education Establishments in OIE Member Countries

CONSIDERING THAT:

1. the OIE advocates the importance of high quality veterinary education;
2. the quality of veterinary education varies greatly around the world, and high quality veterinary education is critical for the effective delivery of public and private sector components of national veterinary services;
3. the OIE is recognized as having a significant role in promoting the improvement of veterinary education worldwide;
4. the OIE is already engaged in global efforts to improve and strengthen the veterinary education with respect to:
 - a. establishing minimum competencies for the effective delivery of quality national veterinary services;
 - b. harmonizing key curriculum elements to facilitate the international mobility of veterinarians;
 - c. harmonizing approaches for the recognition of Veterinary Education Establishments (VEEs) globally; and
 - d. providing direction for the effective administration by the Veterinary Statutory Body (VSB) of the veterinary profession.
5. the World Veterinary Association has partial information but there is currently no global inventory of recognized VEEs covering all OIE Member Countries;
6. a reliable knowledge on the number of and basic information on existing VEEs is critical for achieving the established educational goals promoted by the OIE, including the oversight from VSBs of the activities under their responsibilities in each Member Country.

THE CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS RECOMMEND THAT:

1. the OIE Member Countries and the WVA provide information to the OIE to establish a global list of VEEs including a reporting system whereby each Member Country provides basic information to the OIE, on a 5-year cycle, on the active VEEs operating in their respective territories;
 2. the report on the existing VEEs in a given country include the following minimum information:
 - a. Name of VEE:
 - b. Academic Institution:
 - c. Address/city/country:
 - d. Web-site (URL):
 - e. Institution type: ___Private, ___Public, ___Other
 - f. Year established:
 - g. Veterinary degree(s) granted:
 - h. Number of veterinary students per class/year:
 - i. Average number of veterinary graduates per class/year:
 - j. Number of years of veterinary education:
 - k. Minimum education required for admission:
 - l. Other academic degrees offered:
 - m. National accreditation/certification/approval: ___Yes, ___No
 - If Yes, Accrediting agency, date granted, term of accreditation and whether voluntary or compulsory:
 - n. Regional accreditation/certification/approval: ___Yes, ___No
 - If Yes, Accrediting agency, date granted, term of accreditation and whether voluntary or compulsory:
 - o. Any form of international accreditation/certification/approval?
 - If Yes, please provide a brief description.
 3. the OIE Member Countries update their information when the number of operational VEEs change in their respective territories in the interim years between the 5-year reporting cycle;
 4. the collected information on existing VEEs be compiled and maintained within the OIE database and be made publicly available at the OIE website.
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