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## **4th OIE Global Conference on Veterinary Education**

Implementing OIE guidelines to ensure the excellence of the veterinary profession

Bangkok (Thailand)

**22-24 June 2016**



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## WHY VETERINARY EDUCATION?

In this era of globalisation, where there is increasingly rapid cross-continental spread and occurrences of major animal and zoonotic diseases, all countries are dependent on the performance of their Veterinary Services (VS) to successfully implement appropriate animal production, aquaculture and food safety policies, and for the effective prevention and control of potential biological disasters. Veterinarians are the health professionals who are responsible for this important mission. They should be well trained, not only for animal health and welfare, but also for veterinary public health. This includes the veterinary contribution to food safety, eco-system health and zoonotic disease control. The importance of this mission is evident in the significant health and economic consequences associated with recent occurrences of Middle East Respiratory Syndrome, the Ebola epidemic and avian influenza.

Strengthening Veterinary Education worldwide is a key to the sustainable improvement of public and private sector components of VS, the outcome of which is a global public good. Improving the quality of the Veterinary Services of its 180 Member Countries is one of the OIE's founding mandates.

## WHO WILL PARTICIPATE?

The Conference will convene approximately 600 key participants from National Veterinary Authorities, other national government agencies including those in charge of veterinary education, Veterinary Education Establishments (VEEs), Veterinary Statutory Bodies (VSB), institutions in charge of the accreditation of VEEs, veterinary associations, veterinary para-professional organisations, other public- and private sector organisations as well as veterinary students.



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## WHAT WILL IT COVER?

- How to further improve the quality of the veterinary profession globally, through encouraging worldwide harmonisation of veterinary education based on OIE guidelines focusing on global Public Good aspects of the veterinary activities;
- The need for closer collaboration between Veterinary Authorities (VAs), Veterinary Statutory Bodies (VSBs), veterinary paraprofessionals and Veterinary Education Establishments (VEEs);
- The importance, application and availability of various innovative teaching methods in both undergraduate veterinary education and continuing education post-graduation;
- The importance of introducing disciplines of other domains to improve the skills and effectiveness of veterinarians;
- The publication of the global list of VEEs by the OIE with relevant data on their status.

## WHAT WILL IT ACHIEVE?

The Conference will develop internationally endorsed recommendations on actions to be taken by VEEs and partners to improve the quality of veterinary education globally. It will bring key actors in this sector closer together for better harmonisation of veterinary education standards worldwide, based on OIE guidelines. The role of VSBs in regulating veterinarians and veterinary para-professionals to ensure their competency and professional ethics will also be highlighted.

## CAN I SUBMIT A POSTER?

There will be a poster session throughout the conference. For further details on preparing your poster, please visit the conference website:

[www.oie.int/vet-education-conf2016](http://www.oie.int/vet-education-conf2016)



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## WHEN AND WHERE?

22-24 June 2016

at Dusit Thani Hotel

946 Rama IV Road, Bangrak

Bangkok 10500, Thailand.

[www.dusit.com/dusitthani/bangkok/meetings/](http://www.dusit.com/dusitthani/bangkok/meetings/)

## HOW CAN YOU PARTICIPATE?

The Conference is open to all individuals interested in improving Veterinary Education to the extent that there is space available.

Please register now at the Conference site at:

[www.oie.int/vet-education-conf2016](http://www.oie.int/vet-education-conf2016)

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