



European Coordination Committee on Veterinary Training Update on activities



ECCVT members met together in Brussels on 13 October 2015. Prof. Ana Bravo del Moral, EAEVE President, chaired the meeting. After the last elections in the two of the three organisations Prof. Dominiek Maes, EBVS President, and Dr. Rafael Laguens, FVE President, took a seat in the Committee. Additionally two members joined the Committee in the place of Dr. P. O'Brien and Dr. A. Robinson who had completed their terms. Prof. Jimmy Saunders took over as EBVS representative and Dr. Christophe Buhot continues as FVE representative.

ECCVT members followed up their activities from the last meeting and also discussed on priorities in next year.

High in the agenda for all three organisations is the promotion of Day-1 Competences of European veterinarians and the promotion of the European System for the Evaluation of Veterinary Training (ESEVT). The Committee closely follows the developments related to the secondary legislation of Directive 2013/55. They also work on a clear statement on policy on veterinary education to support their efforts towards that direction.

ECCVT Activities 2015

- *Dir 2005/36 and Dir 2013/55*
- *Day-1 competences & Veterinary Specialisation*
- *ESEVT*
- *Laboratory Animal Science and Medicine*
- *Education & training for the Animal Welfare Officer*
- *VETCEE*

EAEVE is currently updating the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) of the ESEVT. The new SOPs look also at ensuring compliance with ENQA requirements complementary to the requirements of the European legislation. The new draft is expected to be formally submitted for approval by the EAEVE Executive Committee and the FVE Board in the next year.

Veterinary specialisation and recognition of veterinary specialists is in focus as well. All three organisations work together in order to deliver a clear message on the role of the veterinary specialists and their added value for the society.

Other priorities for next year include improved teaching of laboratory animal medicine in undergraduate curriculum, delivery of an opinion on the training for veterinarians that wish to become Animal Welfare Officers according to Regulation 1099/2009 and delivery of an opinion on the use of animals in research.

ECCVT members have been also updated on the developments of the [Veterinary Continuous Education in Europe \(VETCEE\)](#). VETCEE has approved the post graduate programme in Companion Animal Medicine of Ghent University in Belgium. Additionally, the board have

adopted one more dossier of competences on Bovine Health Management, while the dossier of competences in Laboratory Animal Science and Medicine is expected to be ready soon. VETCEE accepts now applications from postgraduate mid-tier programmes for veterinary practitioners working in four different disciplines, namely in Companion Animal Medicine, Porcine Health Management, Equine Medicine and Bovine health Management.

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Sitting from left to the right: *Rafael Laguens, Ana Bravo Del Moral, Dominiek Maes*- Standing from left to the right: *Laszlo Fodor, Sabine Schueller, Christophe Buhot, Jimmy Saunders, Dimitris Raptopoulos, Frank Gasthuys, Pierre Lekeux, Despoina Iatridou, Stephen May*

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