WikiVet Live - *November 2017*

Concept

To celebrate 10 year anniversary of WikiVet and the provision of free online veterinary education by providing a global audience of vet students with access to world leading educators through the WikiVet Academy along with the International Veterinary Students Association (IVSA).

The event is planned to run for 24 hours over three distinct time zones. The online delivery will enable international students to benefit from high quality learning resources from leading experts which they would otherwise be unable to access.

Partners

The conference will be jointly managed by WikiVet and the IVSA. Three time zone centres have been selected to coordinate the curriculum, speakers and students for their respective zones. These are:

RVC - Europe

VetMed Team and University of Illinois – US, Canada and South America

Centre for Veterinary Education, University of Sydney – Asia and Oceania

Format

The conference will be based on short webinars which will be streamed from a central server. The live nature of webinars allows for additional interactive elements, such as real time questions and audience polls – a feature which is expected to prove popular with students. All the recording will then be made available to WikiVet registered students free of charge through an online WikiVet Academy.

The IVSA will crowd source from their partner schools key topics to be included in the conference for each time zone. In addition, the Student Chapter of the AVMA and the Australian/NZ student An international curriculum committee will select key speakers in each of 3 time zones who will address these topics. Speakers will be invited to offer webinar presentation (remotely broadcasted) at no cost.

The format of presentations will be standardised and will include supplementary reference material. Where possible presentations will be in English with an option for subtitles and abstracts in English, Spanish & Mandarin.

Organisation

WikiVet and the IVSA have already committed resource to organise and manage the event at no cost. The regional partners have also agreed to provide coordination support and speakers are expected not to charge for their contribution.

Additional resources that will be required is a full time conference organiser for 6 months, marketing and social media expertise and technical support.