Vision: “All companion animals worldwide receive veterinary care that ensures their optimal health and welfare”

Mission: “To advance the health and welfare of companion animals worldwide through an educated, committed and collaborative global community of veterinary peers”

WORLD SMALL ANIMAL VETERINARY ASSOCIATION (WSAVA) Application for Membership

The World Small Animal Veterinary Association (WSAVA) is an association of associations. Its membership is made up of veterinary organisations from all over the world, which are concerned with small companion animals such as cats, dogs, rabbits, guinea pigs etc. Currently there are 105 member and affiliate associations, representing over 200,000 individual veterinarians from around the globe.

WSAVA’s primary purpose is to advance the quality and availability of small animal medicine and surgery, and this broad aim is achieved in a number of different ways.

WSAVA fosters the exchange of scientific information, both between individual veterinarians and between their veterinary organisations.

WSAVA furthers international relationships between all veterinarians dealing with small animal health and welfare.

WSAVA promotes the standing of small animal practice.

APPLICATION FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

The process of membership in WSAVA is defined in Section 3 of the WSAVA By-Laws (http://www.wsava.org/By-Laws.htm) and, in summary, is restricted to formal veterinary associations dedicated to small animal veterinary medicine having 100 or more members with insufficient financial resources to permit full membership; however, full membership (including associated costs) would be anticipated to occur within 3 years of joining as an associate member. To apply, simply provide the information requested below and ensure it is submitted to the WSAVA Secretariat (yourwsava@wsava.org) 60 days prior to the next Assembly meeting (this equates to no later than July 24, 2018).
Based on restricted finances, it is not expected that a member of your association would attend the Assembly meeting to present your application to the Assembly members but this would be preferred; however, a proxy presenter would also be accepted. This body will subsequently vote on the merits of your application and determine its success. **The next Assembly meeting is on September 24, 2018 in Singapore.**

**NAME OF ASSOCIATION:** Cambodian Veterinary Association

**ADDRESS OF ASSOCIATION:** Royal University of Agriculture, Chamkar Daung, Sangkat Daungkor, Khan Daunkor, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

**NUMBER OF MEMBERS:** 25

**NUMBER OR PERCENTAGE INVOLVED WITH SMALL ANIMALS:** 50% small Animal and 50% Large Animals

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

1. Has your association been in formal/official, active existence for 3 years or more? **no**
2. Is your association a national association? **yes**
3. if yes: is your association the only small animal association in your country? **no**
4. if no: please provide
   a. name of other national associations
   b. estimated number of shared members: 50% Small Animal and 50% Large Animal
   c. rationalization or explanation why dual national small animal representation would be complementary and/or synergistic

**BRIEF HISTORY OF YOUR ASSOCIATION:**
The rapid growth of urbanization, increase in per capital income and globalization, particularly shift from cereal to more animal protein based diet lead to boost demand for livestock products. Pet animals also become trendy. Although it is slowly developed, livestock production grows remarkably in response to care for animals are increased. However, to find a qualify veterinarian is a concern because Cambodia veterinary profession is depended very much on field experiences and procedures to license veterinarian do not exist. Cambodia veterinary practice faces many challenges due to the science and veterinary program in the last few decades. In addition, limitation of human resources in terms of lecturers, laboratory, and opportunity to conduct practical work also observed.
To formalize the veterinary professions, a recognized legal body need to be established. With support from World Small Animal Veterinary Association (WSAVA), was conducted in June 22, 2014. The objectives of this workshop were accumulated young veterinarians to make veterinary association: Following the recommendations of the workshop, Cambodia Veterinary Association (CVA) was established. The CVA serves as technical advisory body for veterinary capacity development. The CVA is also planning a continuous educational workshop series through WSAVA and expecting to involve other Cambodian Veterinarians.

It’s not limited advanced with students focusing more on animal science and husbandry. But, as cities become larger and pet ownership increases, the demand for veterinarian medicine and surgery for companion animals and equines is growing. CVA was created in June 22nd, 2014 in collaboration with WSAVA through a workshop and had developed a good relationship between Cambodian Veterinarians and the WSAVA. Following the very helpful WSAVA One Care Participation Workshop, we’re looking forward to further support from the WSAVA or FAVA particularly in terms of continuous education and with advice on how to run the CVA.

We face many challenges because the standard of veterinary education is not yet high enough and we have limited resources in terms of lectures, equipment and opportunities to practice. Because of many younger veterinarians are keen to involve and to develop the skills that are increasingly required to help owners look after their animals’ health.

Veterinarians in Cambodia have struggled to have our voice heard and to develop the skills we need until now, it was inspiring to see the next generation of veterinarians so determined to move the profession forward despite the tough challenges we face.

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION:

• Official documentation of Association’s existence, registered in country of residence
• Association constitution, charter, and/or by-laws
• Copy of most recent annual general meeting minutes
• Information on vision, mission, goals, and what the association provides for its members (i.e., its raison d’etre)
• Letter of intent addressing the following issues:
  – Reason why your association wants to be a WSAVA associate member
  – How your association will use your WSAVA associate membership to further the needs of your members and overall needs of your national small animal veterinarians
  – What will your association bring to your partnership with the WSAVA that will benefit the WSAVA and its members

AT THE TIME OF THE ASSEMBLY MEETING:
Please be aware that if your application is successful adopted by a majority vote of the WSAVA member representatives, your association representative will be required to sign a letter of commitment to the defined responsibilities implied in association member (see below) in front of the Assembly before your membership becomes official.

Your obligations as a WSAVA member would principally be carried out by your WSAVA representative and include:

• Ensure that the annual membership dues are paid in a timely manner (for full members)
• Provide and keep current your association information, including contact details, membership numbers, and activities, as posted on your association page on the WSAVA website
• Provide an annual report to the Assembly members
• **Attend the annual Assembly meeting, where the business of the WSAVA is conducted, or make alternative arrangements for voting through either proxy assignment or pre-Assembly vote submission**
• **Distribute the WSAVA monthly news and any additional WSAVA information to your membership in a timely manner**

APPLICATION SIGNATURE:

Signed: 
Position: President 
Date: 07/07/2018

Please return to: WSAVA Secretariat at [yourwsava@wsava.org](mailto:yourwsava@wsava.org)