



## FOR AGV WEBSITE - BACK TO OFFICE REPORT OF EASVO MEETING

1. **NATURE OF MEETING:** EASVO General Assembly
  
2. **PLACE AND DATE OF MEETING:** Malta  
24 November 2022
  
3. **REPRESENTATION:**
  - (a) **Chair:** Jane Clark (EASVO President)
  - (b) **UK Representation:** Jane Clark, AGV
  - (c) **Others present:** Representatives from UK/AT/DK/FI/DE/IS/PL/IT  
  
Apologies were received from absent Members – PT/IE/NO (proxy votes to IT/UK/DK) and CH/CZ  
  
We were also joined by Wiebke from the FVE office, Estelle from the Regional office of WOA, Claire and Allan as guest speakers and Stanislaw and Mette from FVE Board for parts of the meeting
  
4. **To:** AGV Website  
Name: *Jane Clark*  
Location: Cardiff  
Date: 27<sup>th</sup> November 2022

## **5. Summary of the meeting:**

We were delighted to meet in person in Malta, ably supported by Wiebke from the FVE team. We agreed to support all of the items for vote on the FVE General Assembly agenda and enjoyed interesting discussions on several issues.

Excitingly we adopted our new EASVO Strategy and, in line with that, agreed to financially support EASVO representatives in the new Animal Welfare and Food Safety and Sustainability Working Groups (AWWG and FS&SWG).

We then welcomed our guest speakers, Claire White from the UK's NFU in a joint session with UEVH speaking about her role as a "vet in industry", Allan Muir from the European Association of Zoo and Wildlife Veterinarians speaking about developing guidance for the implementation of the AH Regulations in Zoos and Estelle Hamelin from WOAAH speaking about long distant transport, HPAI and updates on digital developments by WOAAH and its members.

We also joined all the other FVE Sections in a joint session where we discussed our different perspectives on the subject of veterinary professional career pathways and the importance of the independence of the veterinarian. A particular thanks goes to our speaker from the International Veterinary Students' Association who spoke from the perspective of current veterinary students.

And, last but not least, we had our usual update on the AWWG with Mette Uldahl (FVE VP) and, while there were no FVE papers on animal welfare for vote, we held a useful discussion on the key issues facing EASVO members for consideration in establishing the work plan for the new AWWG. We also heard from members on issues as diverse as the successful identification of the incursion of a new orbivirus (EHDV) in Sardinia and Sicily, the implementation of the Article 25 Animal Health Regulation Vet visits, the status of animals in rewilding programmes, and food waste and the sustainable food chain. On the final point we agreed to recommend that this, and the important perspective of the impact on our farmed animals of food waste, is taken forward in the new FS&SWG.

## **6. Action Points:**

**AP9 - Action for AGV members to consider whether they have the knowledge/skills to support the development of the Animal Health Law Handbook (as AHR applies to Zoos) – please let AGV council know if you would like to find out more.**

## **7. Communications**

This report is a high-level version and is available to non-members on the AGV website - <http://www.agv.org.uk/bva-and-fve-easvo/>.

A detailed record of the discussions at this meeting is also available to AGV members.

## **8. Agenda:**

**AP 1** Welcome, introduction of delegates, apologies for absence, new members, and guests.

**AP 2** Adoption of Agenda

**AP 3** Adoption of minutes of the last EASVO GA (London, 16. Jun. 2022)

**AP 4** Actions from the last meeting:

**AP 5** EASVO Finances – Situation 2022, Status membership

- Presentation of the economic status of EASVO
- Auditor Report
- Election of Auditors

**AP 6** FVE matters to be discussed/voted (Documents sent out by FVE and available online)

**4 – Adoption of FVE General Assembly Agenda, FVE/22/am/032 VOTE**

**5 - Adoption of Minutes of the General Assembly June 2022, FVE/21/am/029 VOTE**

**8 - Financial matters**

v) Election finance committee member **VOTE**

**9 – Medicines Working Group Update ap9\_a\_i\_draft\_FVE FVE/21/doc/009 draft position paper on coccidia control VOTE**

**AP 7** Discussion and vote on the proposed EASVO Strategy 2021-2025 – **VOTE**

- Proposal to fund an EASVO representative in the new AWWG – **VOTE**
- Proposal to fund an EASVO representatives in the new FS&S WG – **VOTE**

**AP 8** EASVO/UEVH joint session - The veterinary role in the UK's National Farmers Union - **Claire White (NFU)**

**AP 9** Animal Health Law Handbook **Bente Pedersen and Guest speaker Allan Muir (EAZA and EAZWV)**

**AP 10** WOA (formerly OIE) update by the acting WOA Sub-Regional Representative in Brussels - **Estelle Hamelin**

**AP 11 Joint Session with UEVP, UEVH and EVERI** - Professional pathways and independence of veterinarians

**AP 12** Animal Welfare WG - we will be joined by **Mette Uldahl** to give us an update on the current AW topics from the AWWG

**AP 13** National reports/Covid-19/Ukraine issues/New tech: “round table”

Points to discuss items of interest from EASVO members

- Food waste and the sustainable food chain
- Regular Animal Health Visits Implementation

**AP 14** EASVO Website Update - <http://easvo.fve.org/>

**AP 15** Summary and agreement of recommendations to the FVE

**AP 16** Any Other Business

**Next GA meetings:**

- June 2023: Czech Republic, Zaječf: Viticulture
- November 2023: Brussels