REMINDER: Annual Scientific Conference and Annual General Meeting 2019: Edinburgh, Scotland – 2-4. October 2019

The last preparations successfully ongoing, we hereby would like to remind on this Years ECVPH Annual Scientific Conference and Annual General Meeting 2019 which will be held at the at the John McIntyre Conference Centre from 2nd to 4th October 2019.

We are delighted to welcome you to the ECVPH Scientific Conference and AGM 2019 in Edinburgh that is the perfect occasion to meet colleagues from all around Europe and stay in touch with the College activities. Participants can also enjoy the beautiful City of Edinburgh during their stay especially if extended to the weekend. It is possible to take part to organised Whisky Tours and/or take part to trips to nearby beautiful Scottish cities or to the Highlands.

In the scope of "Membership of the European Union – challenges for Veterinary Public Health" the organizing committee invites you to visit the ECVPH website for further information as to the Conference Programme and important general information (travel, accommodation etc.).

As in the past years Workshops will form an integral interactive part to to complete the Programme and according to the launched Call for proposals 3 workshops were accordingly included - we thank all who contributed so well! The draft Programme, further general information and arrangements as well as the ONLINE-Registration is available on the College website!

The XIX. Annual General Meeting of the ECVPH will be held in the afternoon of Thursday 3. of October 2019. The Minutes of the XVIII. AGM (2018) and the draft Agenda for this years meeting are already uploaded at the College’s restricted part of the Website for registered users. Diplomates are once more reminded that attendance of the AGM at least once in 3 consecutive years is compulsory and that the status of Diplomates not complying with this requirement will be set to “non-certified”.

Andreas Wunsch, ECVPH Documenting Secretary & Alex Seguino and Cristina Soare Local Organising Committee ECVPH AGM 2019
REMINDER: CALL for Nominations to the Council Elections 2019

Let us herewith also remind you that for this years elections the ECVPH Council is seeking for nominations for the election to the Council to be held at the Annual General Meeting of the College on Thursday 3d October 2019 in Edinburgh.

This Year we are seeking nominations for the posts of:

- Junior Vice President
- 2 Ordinary members
- 1 Auditor
- Resident Liaison person

The ECVPH Council encourages candidates who completed the entire ECVPH education path of the ECVPH to consider putting themselves forward for nomination. In addition, in order to better balance the current composition of the Council, new female diplomates are especially encouraged to stand for nomination. The 2 open posts for ordinary members should be represented by one Diplomate being from PM and one from FS sub-speciality.

The according form is available for download on the ECVPH´website (LOGIN required!) . We are happy to take scanned forms (by e-mail ONLY) bearing the signatures – they do not necessarily need to be on the one form - please notice the deadline for nominations being the 2nd of September 2019!

With all best wishes,

Riikka Laukkanen-Ninios and Matthias Greiner
ECVPH Nominations Committee

CALL for RESIDENT Workshop proposals 2020!

As in the past years a CALL for proposals for supported Residents Workshop to be held in the Year 2020 is herewith being published and we would like to kindly ask for your proposals by using the attached and on ECVPH´s website uploaded form by 16. September 2019 at the latest!

Thanking in advance for all your kind efforts and looking forward to receiving your proposals!

the ECVPH Council
SLACK - A new platform for resident communication and resource sharing

This year two of our residents, Dr Catherine McCarthy (Wageningen Bioveterinary Research, NL) and Dr John Tulloch (University of Liverpool, UK), have worked hard to set up a new online platform for all the residents to facilitate their networking, learning and research.

Slack is a free platform that can be used either through a web-browser or a mobile app. It has an incredible amount of functionality, including:

- **Organised conversations (channels)** to share messages and content. These have been organised to reflect each section of the ECVPH resident's syllabus. Residents can discuss topics and share documents and websites easily and openly. Channels have also been created for share and promote future conferences and courses, and social activities around the AGM! Revision channels will also be created so that residents can prepare for their exams together.
- **Poll** each other for ideas/meetings
- Create private (one-to-one) or group conversations to discuss specific projects or topics
- **Share screens** (so that they can present to each other) and make calls.

Slack is designed to be the place to go if a resident needs help or resources. It's aim is to facilitate easy networking between all the residents and thus create a stronger community across the resident body. To date fifty of the residents have signed up to the platform and we anticipate that the remaining residents will sign up soon. It is the goal that all new residents are welcomed on to slack. They can then introduce themselves and get to know the wider resident community virtually before meeting them at AGMs and conferences. This will provide a smoother introduction to the resident part of the college and a nice way of understanding what the ECVPH is all about.

To access Slack please contact John (jtulloch@liverpool.ac.uk) or Catherine (hlcmccar@liverpool.ac.uk) to get a log in created. The main log in page is: https://ecvphresidents.slack.com/

If anyone has any questions about Slack please do not hesitate in contacting Catherine or John.

Catherine McCarthy & John Tulloch
ECVPH Residents

AGM & Annual Conference 2021: CALL for venue/organisers

Upon proposal by initiating Organisers the **venue for the AGM and Annual Scientific Conference 2020** has been agreed to be **Athens**, the Council of the ECVPH is hereby launching a **Call for proposals to host the Annual Meeting** (AGM and Annual Scientific Conference) in **2021**, all received offers to be further considered at the upcoming AGM in Edinburgh.
Thanking in advance for all your kind co-operation we would be looking forward to receiving your tentative proposals!

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CALL for FS members in the various Committees

To secure the necessary balance between both sub-specialities in VPH, the Council of the ECVPH is seeking for new members with the sub-speciality Food Science in the Education Committee, the Credentials Committee and the Exam Questions Review board - please contact us/the current Chairs of those Committees if you are willing to be closer involved and contribute to College internal activities getting you reward at your re-evaluation being due every five years!

Thanking in advance for your kind consideration and looking forward to your further co-operation!

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REMINDER

Check your profile at ECVPH.org and EBVS.eu

Please let us again recall and assist us in keeping your contact details and other information up to date and accurate. This needs to be done in two sites:

1.) At ebvs.eu, the details to be checked specifically are: (Diplomates ONLY!)
   - Your e-mail
   - Type of employment
   - Country where you live
   - Country where you obtained your vet-degree
   - Type of residency (if applicable!)

2.) At ecvph.org, it is specifically: (Diplomates AND Residents!)
- your e-mail
- your employment type
- your subspeciality
- your enrolment type
- your country of vet degree
- if your institution was EAEVE accredited when you graduated
- year you became a diplomate
- type of residency (if applicable!)
- country where you did your residency training (if applicable!)

Furthermore, please update any other information you think is missing or is not up-to-date.

If it does not work – then let us know and we can try to help you out!

Please also refer to the Bylaw on the Use of the Internet and electronic mailing in the European College of Veterinary Public Health (ECVPH).

Thank you in advance for your kind co-operation!

Søren S. Nielsen (Honorary Secretary) & Andreas Wunsch (Documenting Secretary)