

AO VET Europe and Southern Africa Board Member – Education Competence

Job description

AO VET seeks: A highly motivated individual of regional repute and excellent scientific and clinical recognition. The applicant needs to be able to work in a multi-cultural environment with no regional travel restrictions. They are expected to have the vision to contribute to the entire AO VET organization and to help us set new standards and position AO VET as a global leader in musculoskeletal veterinary surgery. AO VET is now seeking nominations and applications for the following position:

Position available A member of the AO VET Europe and Southern Africa (ESA) Board with a particular focus on education for a 3-year term; this role will include being a member of the AO VET Education Commission.

According to our terms of reference, and to properly reflect the cultural diversity of the region, not more than two Board members are permitted from the same country (as determined by place of work rather than nationality), unless there are exceptional circumstances. This includes the Chair of the board.

Territory Regional

Reporting to AO VET Europe and Southern Africa Regional Board Chair (solid line) AND to the AO VET Education Commission Chair (dotted line)

Term¹ 3 years

Start date July 1, 2024

End date June 30, 2027

Requirements **General mandatory requirements**

- Veterinary surgeon in active clinical practice in the European and Southern African Region
- Active AO VET Faculty; involved in at least one teaching event as Course Chair or Faculty in the last three years (table instructors and others who did not give any lectures are excluded)
- Faculty Education Program (FEP) completed

¹ Current Board members can apply for one more term in case they are in their first term. Any re-election shall follow the same procedure and rules as a regular election. If the person nominated for re-election is the only candidate, a 75% majority vote by the overall electorate is required. Both terms must be back-to-back without intervening time off.

- Motivated to shape the future of AO VET
- Regional reputation and excellent interpersonal skills
- Good/clear communicator with the ability to work in multi-cultural environments
- Very good command of the English language spoken and written
- Prepared to spend the equivalent of an average of 1-2 days per month on AO VET affairs
- Team player who can work together with others to achieve common goals
- Willing and prepared to travel regionally and internationally (no exclusions) (once COVID restrictions are relaxed)
- Active AO VET member of a minimum of 12 months current and continuous duration

General desired requirements

- International experience (e.g. fellowship, faculty or research travel)
- Recognized member or officer of a key national, regional, or international veterinary association(s)
- Prior leadership experience in university or veterinary practice management and/or other business operations (e.g. industry consultant, practice owner/operator, department lead)

Education related

- Recognized as excellent educator
- Highly motivated to build and manage educational programs (courses, seminars and webinars)

Responsibilities

- Be a member of the AO VET Europe and Southern Africa Board AND the AO VET Education Commission
- Ensure that the objectives of the AO VET Europe and Southern Africa Board and the Education Commission are achieved by fulfilling the duties of these bodies
- Protect the best interests of the AO VET Europe and Southern Africa Board as well as the Education Commission
- Support and promote the AO VET business plan through the development of sponsor and partner relationships as well as leveraging other means of promoting our educational activities.
- Act in compliance with the bylaws and regulations of the AO Foundation
- Comply with the AO Code of Ethics and Shared values
- Closely collaborate with the other members of the AO VET ESA Board, the Education Commission and the AO VET management staff towards fulfillment of the tasks of these bodies
- Closely collaborate with the members of the Education Commission as a delegate of the AO VET Europe and Southern Africa Board

- Attend, participate in, and contribute to efficient & effective AO VET ESA Board, as well and Education Commission meetings
- Prepare all necessary contributions and documentation connected therewith
- Ensure timely, fair, and transparent succession planning within the AO VET ESA Board and the Education Commission
- To help implement resolutions and actions of the AO VET ESA Board as well as the Education Commission
- Report on the activities of the AO VET Education commission to the AO VET ESA Board
- Avoid conflict of interest in all interactions