



# **FAVA Strategic Plan 2010 – 2015**

## **FAVA VISION**

For FAVA to be recognized both by the public and by regional governments as the pre-eminent professional association serving the needs of the human and animal populations of the Asia Pacific by strengthening the veterinary profession.

## **FAVA MISSION**

Our mission is to enhance the quality of life of the people of the Asia Pacific region through responsible animal care and welfare initiatives via a unified professional association. This is achieved by cooperation among FAVA members promoting disease control, veterinary education, strengthening of regional networks, and connecting to global veterinary networks to further develop the veterinary profession.

## **FAVA STRATEGY PLANS (2010-2015)**

- 1. To establish strong networks and relationships with international organizations to improve human and animal health and welfare.**
- 2. To grow resources by increasing income to expand the number of member veterinary associations and to provide opportunities for congresses and continuing education.**
- 3. To improve the status of veterinarians in all the FAVA members countries by providing resources in media and advocacy to associations; by highlighting the One Health role, in particular the importance of the threat of emerging and re-emerging diseases; and by establishing strong internal communication at the FAVA council level.**
- 4. To improve the welfare of all animals in the Asia Pacific region with a multi-faceted approach, such as helping to improve responses in emergencies; improving critical training for veterinary undergraduates; and post-graduate education for veterinarians.**

## **THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FAVA (1978-2011)**

Over the 34 years of its existence, the following are FAVA'S primary achievements and on-going initiatives:

1. The organization of national veterinary associations of the Asian and Oceania regions into one regional grouping, the **Federation of Asian Veterinary Associations**, comprising 18 member countries:
  - 1) **Australia** – Australian Veterinary Association (AVA)
  - 2) **Bangladesh** – Bangladesh Veterinary Association (BVA)
  - 3) **Hong Kong** – Hong Kong Veterinary Association (HKVA)
  - 4) **India** – Indian Veterinary Associations (InVA)
  - 5) **Indonesia** – Indonesia Veterinary Medical Association (IVMA)
  - 6) **Japan** – Japan Veterinary Medical Association (JVMA)
  - 7) **Korea** – Korean Veterinary Medical Association (KVMA)
  - 8) **Malaysia** - Veterinary Association of Malaysia (VAM)
  - 9) **Mongolia** – Mongolian Veterinary Medical Associations (MVMA)
  - 10) **Myanmar**- Myanmar Veterinary Association (MVA)
  - 11) **New Zealand** – New Zealand Veterinary Association (NZVA)
  - 12) **Pakistan** – Federation of Veterinary Associations of Pakistan (FVAP)
  - 13) **Philippines** – Philippines Veterinary Medical Association (PVMA)
  - 14) **Singapore** – Singapore Veterinary Association (SVA)
  - 15) **Sri Lanka** – Sri Lanka Veterinary Association (SLVA)
  - 16) **Taiwan** – Taiwan Veterinary Medical Association (TWVMA)
  - 17) **Thailand** – Thai Veterinary Medical Association under Royal Patronage (TVMA)
  - 18) **Vietnam** – Vietnam Veterinary Association (VVA)

Before FAVA, there was little or no formal or informal communication between the veterinarians of the Asian and Oceania regions. More often communication was directed towards Western veterinary associations. With the establishment of FAVA, linkages between the veterinarians of the region and their associations were established for the first time.

2. These regional linkages are strengthened through the yearly meeting of the FAVA Council of Representatives and the biennial FAVA Congress. Host venues are rotated amongst the member associations. Matters of policy and relevant issues to FAVA are discussed at all the Council meetings. During the Congress there is extensive exchange of scientific, regulatory, and professional information.
3. Contacts are established between both regional veterinary associations and individual veterinarians during the meetings and congresses, with the exchange of scientific information relevant to the region, and the

exchange of information on the status of the veterinary profession and veterinary education in member countries.

4. Some activities of FAVA are funded by Federation funds, e.g. publication of "ASIAN UPDATE", Secretariat & office operations, communications and limited traveling expenses for developing countries and exchange of information regarding veterinary education.
5. Publication of "ASIAN UPDATE", the news bulletin of FAVA. This newsletter was initiated by Dr. Gregory Ross of AVA and continued by Dr. A. Ramzee of FAVA.
6. The "FAVA Solidarities" were proposed by the Indonesian Veterinary Medical Association during the 6<sup>th</sup> FAVA Congress. The Solidarities, approved in 1988 at the 11<sup>th</sup> FAVA council meeting in Bali, Indonesia are as follows:
 

1 <sup>st</sup>	-	Solidarity of Ethics
2 <sup>nd</sup>	-	Solidarity of the Profession
3 <sup>rd</sup>	-	Solidarity of Science and Education
4 <sup>th</sup>	-	Solidarity of Research and Development
5 <sup>th</sup>	-	Solidarity of National Development

The aforementioned Solidarities give credence and support to the Declaration of Purpose listed in the Charter of FAVA at its founding in 1978.

7. Instituting veterinary education dialogue between the association members. The initial objective was for the members to become acquainted with the system of veterinary education in their respective countries. The institution of veterinary training exchange programs is one of the enduring legacies of FAVA. Started by JVMA during the incumbency of Dr. F. Sugiyama as FAVA President and JVMA President, a total of 46 veterinarians from Bangladesh, China (PROC), India, Indonesia, Korea, Thailand, and Vietnam have been trained under this program. The trainees were funded by JVMA and the Japan Racing Association.



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FAVA, Secretary General 2008-2012

for the late Dr. James Michael G. Cheng, President of FAVA (2010- February 2011)

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