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The President and Board of the World Small Animal Veterinary Association

WORLD SMALL ANIMAL VETERINARY ASSOCIATION CONGRESS 2013

The New Zealand Veterinary Association (NZVA) supports the bid by its Special Interest Branch – the Companion Animal Society – to host the 38th World Small Animal Veterinary Association Congress in 2013, Christchurch, New Zealand.

The NZVA is the voice for the veterinary profession in New Zealand, and works with and through its Special Interest Branches. The NZVA Foundation for Continuing Education (VetLearn®) is our education arm. VetLearn® is working with the Companion Animal Society in making this bid and hosting the event in conjunction with its annual conference in 2013.

VetLearn® has amassed an enviable record in organising conferences for continuing education opportunities and other scientists both locally and internationally.

In October 2005, VetLearn® in association with the NZ Society of Parasitology, organised and hosted the World Association for the Advancement of Parasitology Congress (WAAVP2005) at the Christchurch Convention Centre and Town Hall.

Our Companion Animal Society has commenced planning for the Congress, with the appointment of both a Local Organising Committee and a Scientific Committee.

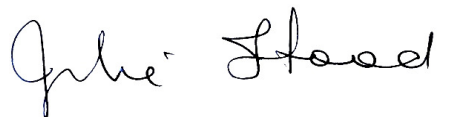
New Zealand provides a unique and exciting tourist adventure destination with a very well developed infrastructure. Christchurch's facilities can easily cope with large groups such as those who will be attending the 38th Congress.

The NZVA commends its Companion Animal Society and VetLearn® as hosts for the 38th WSAVA Congress in Christchurch in 2013.

Yours sincerely



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