



International Sheep Veterinary Association President's Report

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Jesse, Maria-Jesus and their organising committees must be congratulated on putting together an excellent virtual meeting during these difficult times.

ISVA now have 26 member countries with voting powers. Membership is free so if you know of a country that would benefit from membership. Please ask them to fill in the application form at <http://www.intsheepvetassoc.org/membership-form>

Under the auspices of the Karl Linklater Award, for this meeting we have provided free registrations to delegates from lower income countries. At the time of writing 59 delegates from 11 countries have been offered registration. We applied for a Conference Grant and this month we heard "On behalf of the award committee, we are very pleased to inform you that after strict evaluation, you have been selected as the winner of the Animals 2021 Academic Conference Grants. You may find the announcement at <https://www.mdpi.com/journal/animals/awards/1273>." This award of 2,000 CHF (~1900 Euros) should allow us to sponsor many more delegates.

We are looking into the possibility of combining with another similar charity to benefit from gift aid on donations.

We are grateful to Paula Menzies for stepping into the Secretary/ Treasurer role when Ann Goplen had to give up this position.

I must also thank Ann and the rest of the committee for their help over the past few years.

I look forward to our 10th Congress in March 2023 when we can meet in person in Seville.

Thank you

Ian Gill, President ISVA