



UCD School of Veterinary Medicine
Scoil an Leighis Tréidliachta UCD

EAEVE 38TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY & EDUCATIONAL DAY





Céad Mile Fáilte Romhat (A Hundred Thousand Welcomes)

Dear Guest,

I'd like to welcome you all to Dublin and the UCD School of Veterinary Medicine for the 38th General Assembly and Educational Day. We are deeply honoured to host our European colleagues and thank the European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education for its continued leadership in promoting excellence, innovation, and shared values in veterinary education.

As Ireland's first School of Veterinary Medicine, and one with an increasingly global footprint, we take enormous pride in our community, our mission, and our role in shaping the future of animal and public health.

Our School's Strategic Plan to 2030 is grounded in six strategic goals: Excellence in Education; Innovative and Impactful Research; Highest Standards of Animal Welfare and Veterinary Care; A Sustainable Financial Model; A Positive Reputational Status; and An Inclusive Community. These goals reflect both our aspirations and our responsibilities—to our students, to society, and to the animals and environments we serve.

As we gather here, let us recognise the importance of collaboration in shaping the future of veterinary education. Sharing ideas, research, and strategies not only enriches our individual institutions but also strengthens our collective ability to address global challenges such as climate adaptation, antimicrobial resistance, animal welfare, and workforce mobility.

On behalf of the UCD School of Veterinary Medicine, I invite you to explore our campus, engage with our community, and experience the vibrant culture of Dublin.

Your presence here is a testament to your commitment to advancing veterinary education, and we are privileged to share this journey with you.

Thank you for your dedication to our shared mission.

Warmest regards,

**Dean of UCD School of
Veterinary Medicine Professor
Rory Breathnach**

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About Our School



The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at University College Dublin (UCD) was established in 1946 and was located in Ballsbridge for many years. The campaign for a new Veterinary School on UCD's Belfield campus was launched in 1992. Ten years later, the new school opened there in June 2002. After a restructuring in the University, the Veterinary School was merged with the School of Agriculture and Food Science in 2005, before again becoming an autonomous School in September 2011.

UCD Veterinary Medicine is the first centre for veterinary medical education in Ireland. It enjoys a long and proud tradition, and the school has achieved an international reputation. It provides excellent facilities for the care of animals and offers outstanding training opportunities for veterinary medical and veterinary nursing students.

Agenda

Thursday 12th June: General Assembly - UCD O'Reilly Hall (Belfield Campus)

08:45 Arrival & Registration

09:00 - 10:40 EAEVE Internal Issues Part I

10:40 - 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 - 12:30 EAEVE Internal Issues Part II

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch Break

13:30 - 14:30 Parallel Sessions

a) Meeting of each EAEVE region (organised by the Regional Representative – wrap up after lunch at the GA)

b) Meeting of member VEEs with the President and Director to talk about the European System of Veterinary Training (ESEVT) (optional)

14:30 - 15:00 Coffee Break

15:00 - 17:00 EAEVE Internal Issues Part III

19:00 Cocktail Reception in MoLI (Museum of Literature Ireland)

Agenda of EAEVE Internal Issues:

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| 1. Welcome and Adoption of the Agenda* | Annex 1 |
| 2. Minutes of the 37th General Assembly (Alfort)* | Annex 2 |
| 3. President's Report 2024** | Annex 3 |
| 4. Treasurer's Report 2024 | |
| 4.1. <i>Financial Report**</i> | Annex 4.1 |
| 4.2. <i>Auditors' Report**</i> | Annex 4.2 |
| 4.3. <i>Election of the Auditors*</i> | |
| 5. Financial figures 2025 | |
| 5.1. <i>Budget 2025 and forecast**</i> | Annex 5.1 |
| 5.2. <i>Financial Rolling Plan</i> | Annex 5.2 |



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5.3. <i>Revision of the MEF</i> **	Annex 5.3
5.4. <i>Fees for the ESEVT</i> **	Annex 5.4
6. CIQA	
6.1. <i>Report of CIQA</i>	Annex 6.1
6.2. <i>Election of CIQA member*</i>	
7. Activity of the Executive Committee since the 37th GA	Annex 7
7.1. <i>ExCom Rules of Procedure</i> **	Annex 7.1
8. Membership*	
9. EAEVE Strategic Plan 2025-2030	Annex 9
10. ENQA Evaluation	Annex 10
11. European System of Evaluation of Veterinary Training (ESEVT)	
11.1. <i>Evaluation Report 2024</i>	Annex 11.1
11.2. <i>Visitation Programme 2025-2026</i>	Annex 11.2
11.3. <i>Establishments` Status</i>	Annex 11.3
11.4. <i>E-learning of the ESEVT Visitors</i>	Annex 11.4
11.5. <i>System-wide analysis of the ESEVT 2020–2023</i>	Annex 11.5
12. ECOVE Certificates of accredited Establishments since the 37th GA	
13. The 39th General Assembly & Educational Day in Barcelona, 2026	
14. Election of the Organiser of the 40th General Assembly, 2027*	
15. Presentation of the elected regional delegates in the Executive Committee	
16. Election of EAEVE Vice-President*	
17. Any other business	

Agenda

*Items that Veterinary Education Establishments (VEEs) with full and restricted voting rights shall vote in accordance with Article 11 of the Statutes, Approved by the General Assembly on 30th May 2024 in Paris Alfort, France.

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Region/Meeting	Location
Region 1	Veterinary Sciences Boardroom, 2nd Floor Veterinary Sciences Building
Region 2	Room 115, 1st floor Veterinary Sciences Building
Region 3	Room 116, 1st floor Veterinary Sciences Building
Region 4	Rear of O'Reilly Hall

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Region 5	Rear of O'Reilly Hall
Region 6	Rear of O'Reilly Hall
Region 7	Room 101, 1st floor Veterinary Sciences Building
Region 8	Room 114, 1st floor Veterinary Sciences Building
Meeting of member VEEs with the President and Director re: European System of Evaluation of Veterinary Training (ESEVT)	Stage-end of O'Reilly Hall (main auditorium)

Friday 13th June: Educational Day - UCD O'Reilly Hall (Belfield Campus)

Note: The Educational Day is Hybrid – a streaming link will be provided on the EAEVE GA organiser's website closer to the event

08:45: Arrival

09:00 – 09:10: Introduction by Prof. Rory Breathnach, Dean and Head of the School of Veterinary Medicine, University College Dublin



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EAEVE Educational Programme I **(Chair: Prof. Gaetano Oliva): 09:10 – 10:40**

Veterinary Education: Guidelines for Assessment in Veterinary Education, Inter-professional Education & Open-book Assessment (VetEd 2024), Metacognition

09:10 – 09:30: **Assoc. Prof. Sue Rackard, Assoc. Prof at the VEE of UCD and Prof. Sarah Baillie, Emeritus Professor at the VEE of Bristol**
Title: *EAEVE Guidelines for Assessment in Veterinary Education*

09:30 – 09:40: **Mr Mark McCorry & Assoc. Prof. Renagh Kelly, VEE of UCD**
Title: *Developing Interprofessional Education (IPE) Between Veterinary Medicine and Veterinary Nursing Students at University College Dublin: An Incremental Approach*

09:40 – 09:50: **Assoc. Prof. Joe Cassidy & Assistant Prof. Diane Cashman, VEE of UCD**
Title: *The use of online open-book assessment to support the development of clinical reasoning in veterinary medicine students*

09:50–10:10: **Prof. Deirdre Campion, Professor at the VEE of UCD**
Title: *"Learning to Learn", the Metacognition Design Framework and 'I-SEE' learning strategies, Insights from VetEd 2024*

10:10 – 10:40: **Discussion and questions about Part I presentations**

10:40 – 11:00: **Coffee Break**

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EAEVE Educational Programme II-III (Chair: Prof. Pierre Lekeux): 11:00 – 12:30

Educational Aspects of the UCD One Health Centre

11:00 – 11:20: Dr. Gerald Barry, Deputy Director, UCD One Health Centre

Title: Educational Aspects of the UCD One Health Centre (officially designated a WHO Collaborating Centre)

Biosecurity - meeting minimum requirements for various facilities and preparing for an ESEVT Visitation

11:20 – 11:50: Prof. Claude Saegerman, Professor at the VEE of Liege University

Title: Development, implementation and evaluation of biosecurity SOPs in a Veterinary Education Establishment

11:50 – 12:00: Prof. Pierre Lekeux, Director of ESEVT

Title: Biosecurity requirements of the ESEVT SOP

12:00 – 12:30: Discussion and questions about Part II-III presentations

12:30 - 13:30: Lunch Break

EAEVE Educational Programme IV (Chair: Prof. Mehmet Çalıcıoğlu): 13:30 – 15:00

CIQA analysis and best practices for addressing Deficiencies identified during Visitations

13:30 – 13:45: Èva Orbán, Chairperson of CIQA

Title: Good, better, best – benchmarking and cooperation in ESEVT

13:45 – 14:00: Prof. Laura Kramer, Professor at the VEE of Parma

Title: Do not put off to tomorrow what you can do today

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14:00 – 14:15: **Ivar Vågsholm, Professor at the VEE of Uppsala**

Title: *Preparing for Re-Visitation – insights gained*

14:15 – 14:30: **Prof. Andrea Tipold, Vice-President for Teaching at the VEE of TiHo Hannover**

Title: *Generate your time table - how to prepare for the ESEVT Visitation*

14:30 – 15:00: **Discussion and questions about Part IV presentations**

EAEVE Educational Programme V (Chair: Prof. Petra Winter) 15:00 – 15:25

Report of Activities by Partner Organisations of EAEVE

- FVE
- EBVS
- VetCEE
- AVMA
- AAVMC
- WVA
- IVSA

Report of Activities by Corporates

- Mars Veterinary Health
- IVC Evidensia
- CVS Group

15:25 – 15:30: **Closing Remarks by the EAEVE President**

15:30 – 18:00: **Visitation of the UCD campus**

19:00 – Late: **Gala Dinner in the UCD O'Reilly Hall**

Educational Programme Chairs

Educational Programme I

Veterinary Education: Guidelines for Assessment in Veterinary Education, Inter-professional Education & Open-book Assessment (VetEd 2024), Metacognition



Prof. Gaetano Oliva
University of Naples



Educational Programme II-III

Educational Aspects of the UCD One Health Centre



Prof. Pierre Lekeux
Director of ESEVT



Educational Programme IV

CIQA analysis and best practices for addressing Deficiencies identified during Visitations



Prof. Mehmet Çalıcıoğlu
University of Firat



Educational Programme V



Prof. Petra Winter
President of EAEVE



Presenter Bios:



**Assoc. Prof. Sue
Rackard**

UCD School of Veterinary Medicine



Sue graduated from the University College Dublin in the Republic of Ireland in 1989. After a short period in small animal practice in the UK she returned to the university as a junior lecturer in small animal surgery where she commenced her PhD studies and grew her clinical experience. After many years as an academic clinician and clinical teacher, Sue's focus shifted to educational development, initially in the CPD arena for Veterinary Practitioners and more recently in teaching and assessment of undergraduate Veterinary Medical Students. She is an EAEVE expert on quality assurance.

She is currently Associate Dean for Teaching and Learning at the School of Veterinary Medicine in University College Dublin with responsibility for curriculum review and enhancement of the veterinary medicine programme, which is AVMA, EAEVE, RCVS and AVBC accredited. She established and is Director of UCD's Academic Centre for Veterinary Education.



Asst. Prof. Renagh Kelly

UCD School of Veterinary Medicine



Renagh Kelly is an Assistant Professor at University College Dublin, where she has been teaching since 2011. A veterinary surgeon with a focus on small animal surgery, her main interests lie in veterinary education and training for general practice. She holds a Postgraduate Certificate in University Teaching and Learning and a Postgraduate Diploma for Entrepreneurial Educators from UCD. She is currently completing a Master's in Healthcare Simulation and Patient Safety at the University of Galway (NUIG), reflecting her commitment to enhancing veterinary education and clinical training.



Prof. Sarah Baillie, Emeritus Professor

University of Bristol



Professor Sarah Baillie is an Emeritus Professor at Bristol Veterinary School, UK. She worked in clinical practice for many years before doing a PhD in computer science when she developed virtual reality simulators for training veterinary students. She led a major curriculum review at Bristol and introduced more outcomes-based, integrated and student-centered approaches. Other key changes included opening their first clinical skills lab and modernisation of assessment. She is an EAEVE expert in quality assurance. She has advised on curriculum review and design at a variety of universities in Europe, North America, Asia and Australasia. Her educational research interests include clinical and surgical skills, interprofessional education, case-based learning, flipped classroom, and generative AI.



Mr Mark McCorry

UCD School of Veterinary Medicine



Mark McCorry is a Registered Veterinary Nurse and Clinical Skills Manager at University College Dublin. He joined UCD's School of Veterinary Medicine full-time in 2019 after over 15 years in veterinary practice, including roles in small animal emergency and as a head veterinary nurse. Mark is extensively involved in practical skills teaching for both veterinary medicine and veterinary nursing students. His key interests include simulation model development and interprofessional education and he is also currently completing a Masters in Healthcare Simulation and Patient Safety at the University of Galway (NUIG).



Assoc. Prof. Joe Cassidy

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Qualified with MVB from UCD in 1986. Worked in general veterinary practice until 1990. Veterinary Research Officer (Pathology), Veterinary Sciences Division, Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, Stormont, N.Ireland from 1990-1999. During this time obtained PhD for research on early pathogenesis of bovine tuberculosis. Joined Department of Veterinary Pathology, UCD in 1999, promoted to Associate Professor in 2004. Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists (by examination) since 2002. Served as Scientific editor with 'The Veterinary Journal' 2007-2014. Elected member of 'The Veterinary Council of Ireland' 2007-2011. Member of Specialist Advisory Committee (Veterinary Pathology) of the Royal College of Pathologists (2014-present). External subject examiner at The Royal Dick School of Veterinary Studies, University of Edinburgh and at The Royal Veterinary College, London (2018 - present). Head of Subject (Pathobiology) (UCD 2018- present).



Assistant Prof. Diane Cashman

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Diane Cashman joined the School of Veterinary Medicine in 2009, having previously worked as an educational technologist and educational technology coordinator in UCD Teaching and Learning. During her time in the School of Veterinary Medicine Diane was involved in the expansion of the School's educational portfolio by supporting the curriculum design and development of new programmes leveraging digital technologies. Diane has worked on a range of initiatives to enhance teaching and learning strategies in veterinary medicine, including the introduction of virtual microscopy and eAssessment strategies.



Prof. Deirdre Campion

UCD School of Veterinary Medicine



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Deirdre Campion is a Professor in the Veterinary Biosciences Section in the School of Veterinary Medicine at University College Dublin (UCD). She initially trained as a veterinarian at the UCD Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and following graduation, worked in farming and companion animal practice in Ireland and the UK before returning to complete a PhD. Having joined UCD's lecturing staff in 1994, she teaches veterinary physiology, pharmacology and therapeutics. Deirdre has held several key roles at UCD, including Director of the Graduate Entry MVB Degree Programme, Associate Dean for Teaching and Learning, Head of Subject, Veterinary Nursing and Head of Subject, Veterinary Biosciences. Deirdre is passionate about pedagogy, diversity, and inclusion in education, and has served as a UCD Faculty Partner and advocate for Universal Design for Learning.



Dr. Gerald Barry

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Gerald Barry MSc, PhD, graduated from Trinity College, Dublin with a degree in human genetics in 2003. He then moved to the University of Edinburgh to carry out a Wellcome Trust funded Masters in Biological Sciences and a PhD in Virology, graduating in 2008. Gerald then moved to the Roslin Institute, Edinburgh, where he continued to work with viruses that cause disease in humans and/or animals, with a particular focus on mosquito – borne RNA viruses. In 2012, Gerald moved to work in the University of Glasgow, Centre for Virus Research, focussing on viruses that primarily cause disease in farm animals, such as Bluetongue virus and Schmallenberg virus. Then, in 2015, he moved to take up a role as Assistant Professor of Virology in University College Dublin, Ireland. Gerald currently manages a research group studying how viruses interact with their environment, inside and outside of the cell. Gerald is passionate about communicating evidence-based science to the public in an understandable and relevant way, regularly contributing to public scientific discourse through engagements with media and the public directly. Gerald also currently acts as the deputy director of the UCD One Health Centre, a WHO Collaborating Centre focussed on promoting and encouraging the use of One Health in research, teaching and policy development.



Prof. Claude Saegerman

University of Liège, Belgium



DVM, MSc, PhD, Dipl. ECVPH, Claude Saegerman is a full professor in Epidemiology, Quantitative Risk Assessment and Biosecurity. He is director of the Research Unit Epidemiology and Risk Analysis applied to veterinary sciences in the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Liège, Belgium.

He is a member of several scientific committees, member of the Emerging Risks Exchange Network of EFSA, President of the veterinary section of the Royal Academy of Medicine of Belgium and elected member of the Council of the World Animal Biosecurity Association.



Prof. Pierre Lekeux

Director of ESEVT



Professor Pierre Lekeux is the Director of the European System of Evaluation of Veterinary Training (ESEVT), the official evaluation body of the European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education (EAEVE). A distinguished figure in veterinary education and accreditation, Professor Lekeux brings decades of academic, clinical, and leadership experience to the role.

A Professor Emeritus at the University of Liège in Belgium, he has specialised in veterinary physiology and equine sports medicine. Throughout his career, he has contributed extensively to research, particularly in the field of equine cardiorespiratory function, and has published widely in peer-reviewed journals. His commitment to advancing veterinary education across Europe has been instrumental in shaping quality assurance standards that support excellence and harmonisation across member states.

Under his leadership, the ESEVT continues to uphold rigorous standards in veterinary training, ensuring that European veterinary schools meet the educational, ethical, and scientific benchmarks essential for the profession. Professor Lekeux is widely respected for his expertise, his collaborative leadership style, and his dedication to the continuous improvement of veterinary education across Europe and beyond.



Ms. Éva Orbán

Chairperson CIQA



Ms. Éva Orbán holds an MA in Library and Information Science, Education Science, and English, having graduated in 1980. She has worked as a librarian throughout her career, including over 20 years at the Library, Archives and Museum of the University of Veterinary Medicine in Budapest, Hungary. Since 2004, she has been actively involved in quality assurance (QA) and began contributing to the European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education (EAEVE) as a QA expert in 2017. In addition to her professional work, Ms. Orbán manages a blog dedicated to popularising veterinary history.



Prof. Laura Kramer

University of Parma Veterinary School



Prof. Laura Kramer is Full Professor of Veterinary Parasitology and Parasitic Diseases at the University of Parma Veterinary School in Italy. She is the author of over 100 publications in international, peer-reviewed journals, many of them dealing with canine and feline heartworm disease and the role of Wolbachia in parasite survival, immunology and treatment against infection. She is a diplomate of the European Veterinary Parasitology College (EVPC) and an honorary member of the American Heartworm Society. Prof. Kramer has been Guideline Director of the European Scientific Council for Companion Animal Parasites (ESCCAP) and President of the European Board for Veterinary Specialization (EBVS).



Prof. Ivar Vågsholm

***Swedish University of
Agricultural Sciences***



Ivar Vågsholm is veterinarian and professor in Food Safety at Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU) since 2009. Graduated as veterinarian 1984 and obtained his PhD from University of California 1989, he has worked with European Union questions relating to animal health and food safety last 30 years. A key contribution has been as member of the EFSA scientific panels on Animal health and Welfare from 2012-2015, Biological Hazards 2003-2012, and EU Commission's Scientific Committee of Veterinary Measures relating to Public Health 1997-2003. IV was head of the Swedish Zoonosis Center 1997-2006. He has participated in WHO consultations on emerging diseases, campylobacter control and environmental health. Research include revision of meat inspection, food safety legislation, organizing food control systems and currently circular food production systems and novel foods and feeds, in particular avoiding cycles of nutrients become cycles of infectious agents. He has been an EAEVE/ESEVT expert since 2021, and liaison officer visitation Uppsala 2024-25.



Professor Dr. Andrea Tipold

University of Veterinary Medicine Hanover



Professor Dr. Andrea Tipold is Professor of Neurology at the Clinic for Small Animals at the TiHo and is Vice President for Teaching since April 2002. Born in Austria, she studied veterinary medicine in Vienna, where she first worked as a university assistant in the field of internal medicine at the I. Medical Clinic for Equidae, Small Animals and Poultry at the University of Veterinary Medicine, Vienna. In 1986, she received her doctorate in veterinary medicine and moved in 1990 - first as a research assistant, later as an assistant - to the former Institute of Animal Neurology at the University of Bern. There Tipold obtained the Diplomate of the European College of Veterinary Neurology in 1994, and after her habilitation she was a private lecturer at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine. She continued this activity after a one-year research fellowship in immunology at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, while working in the Department of Immunology at the Institute of Veterinary Virology at the University of Bern. In 1996, Tipold received an additional teaching appointment at her alma mater in Vienna. In April 1999, she moved to the TiHo.

Acknowledgments

On behalf of the Organising Committee, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to all who contributed to the success of the 38th General Assembly of the European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education (EAEVE), held at University College Dublin from 12–14 June 2025.

We are particularly thankful to our distinguished speakers and panellists, whose expertise and insights enriched the Educational Day programme, fostering meaningful discussions on the future of veterinary education.

Our sincere appreciation goes to the Chairs and members of the Scientific and Local Programme Committees for their dedication in curating a diverse and engaging agenda.

We acknowledge the invaluable support of the EAEVE Executive Committee and Secretariat, whose collaboration was instrumental in the planning and execution of this event.

Special thanks to the staff of the UCD School of Veterinary Medicine and the O'Reilly Hall events team for their professionalism and hospitality, ensuring a welcoming environment for all delegates. We also thank our sponsors and partners for their generous contributions, which enhanced the overall experience of the Assembly.

Lastly, we are grateful to all delegates and accompanying guests for their active participation and for making this Assembly a memorable gathering of veterinary education professionals.



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