

# WOAH's efforts on improving veterinary education in Asia including support for regional/subregional networks

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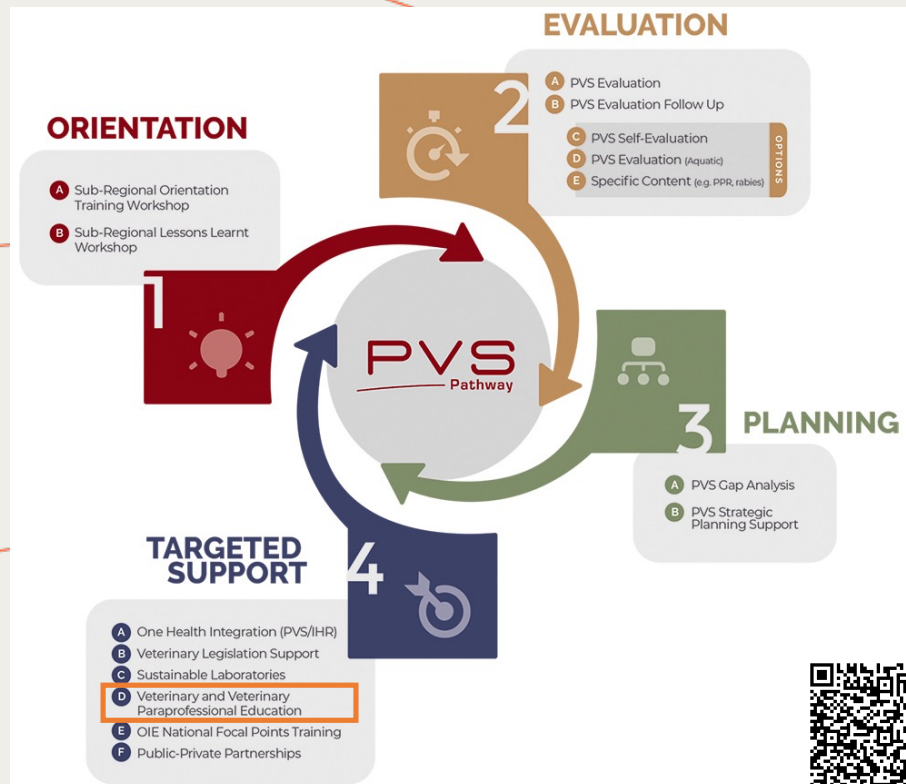
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# The WOAH Capacity-building framework

## The PVS Pathway: Services for Members



## The Training Platform: Lerner-centered approach



<https://training.woah.org/>

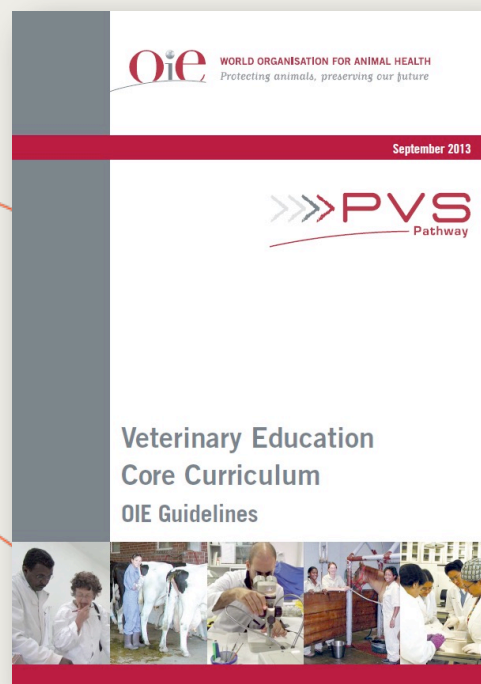


# WOAH Competency and Curriculum Guidelines for Veterinarians, VPPs and Community Animal Health Workers



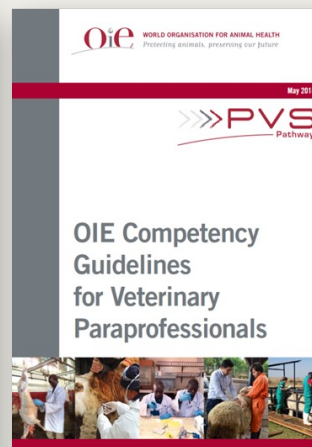
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Provides **recommendations** on **basic and advanced competencies** for the delivery of veterinary services of quality

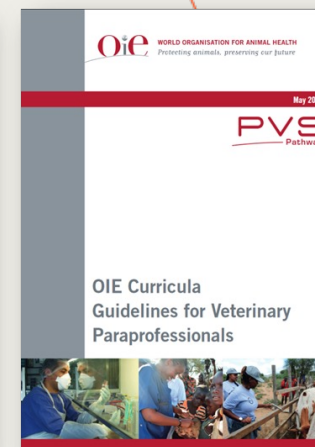


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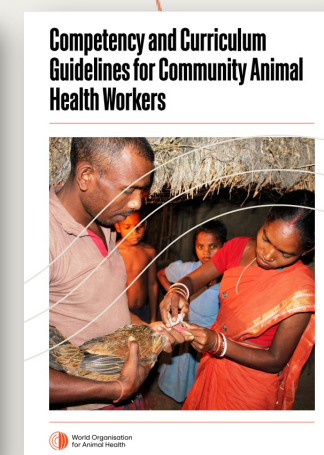
Describes various courses and cross-references them with the Day 1 Competencies that each course should address



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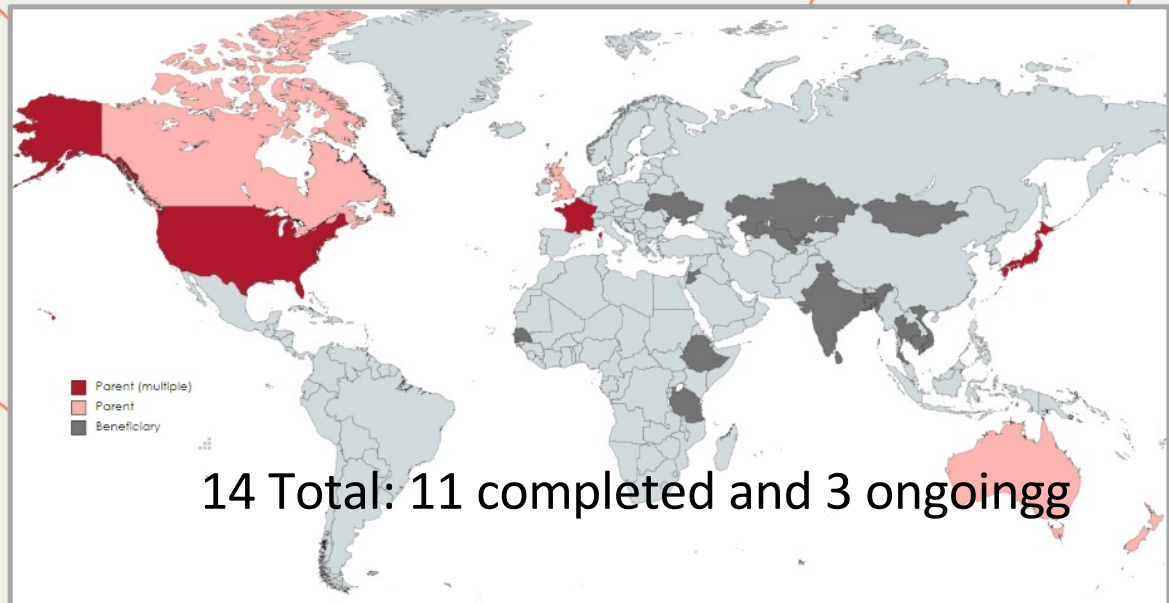
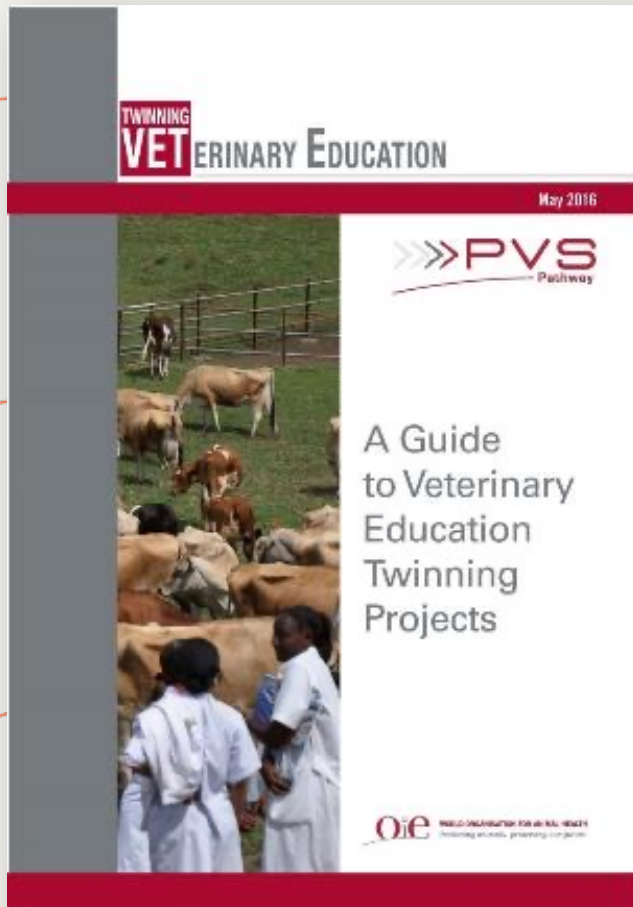


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# WOAH Veterinary Twinning Projects

- Established in 2013 in relation to the Guidelines
- 'Twinning': a mechanism for improving institutional capacity and expertise in developing and in-transition countries
- Facilitates the **exchange** of knowledge, staff, students, ideas and experience between Veterinary Education Establishments



# WOAH Veterinary Education Twinning Projects in Asia

<https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-offer/improving-veterinary-services/pvs-pathway/veterinary-workforce-development/>

## VEE twinning projects:

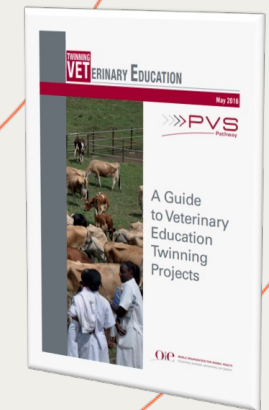
- University of Minnesota (USA) – Chiang Mai University (Thailand) (2013-2016)
- Tufts University (USA) – Chattogram Veterinary and Animal Sciences University (Bangladesh) (2014-2019)
- University of Queensland (Australia) – Nong Lam University (Vietnam) (2015-2019)
- Massey University (New Zealand) – University of Peradeniya (Sri Lanka) (2014-2018)
- Hokkaido University (Japan) – Mongolian University of Life Science (Mongolia) (2017-2019)
- University of Tokyo (Japan) – Royal University of Agriculture (Cambodia) (2018-2021)
- University of Calgary (Canada) - Guru Angad Dev Veterinary and Animal Sciences University (India) (2020 – 2024)



## VSB twinning project:

- Australasian Veterinary Boards Council Inc. (AVBC) – Veterinary Council of Thailand (VCT) (2018 – 2020)

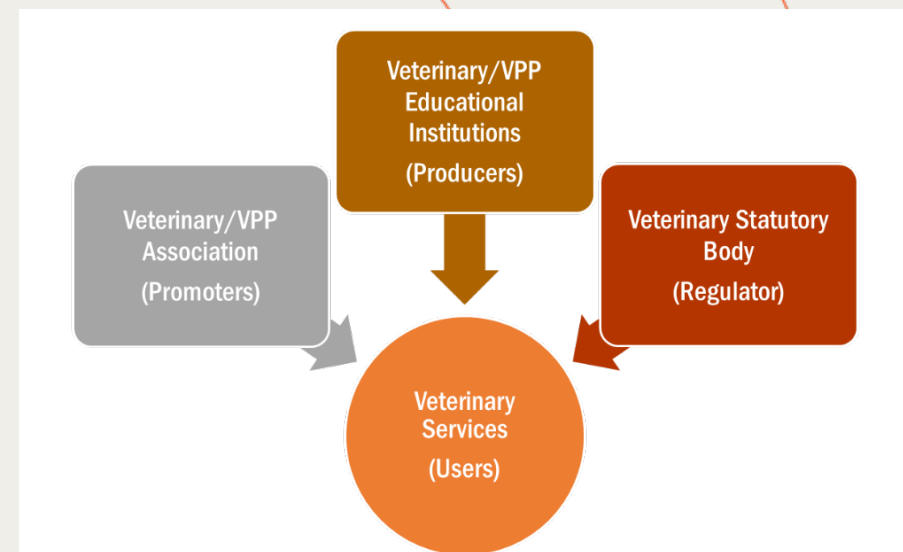
**Opportunities for sharing of benefits and lessons learned**





## Networking to strengthen veterinary education

- Both VEEs and VSBs play a key role in ensuring the **effectiveness of veterinary professionals and delivery of competent Veterinary Services (VS)**.
  - In Asia, more than 300 VEEs exist with diverse course curricula, standards and delivery methods.
  - Majority of VEEs are accredited by national accreditation systems, but no regional VEE accreditation standards / body exists.
  - Networking and networks among VEEs and VSBs provides valuable **opportunities for information and resource sharing** towards **harmonised curriculum and accreditation processes**
- ➔ **Better education standards and outcomes**
- ➔ **Better delivery of veterinary services**
- ➔ **Better animal health and welfare**



Close collaboration is encouraged to ensure the provision of veterinary education is appropriate to the needs of each country





## Regional and Sub-regional Networks of VEEs, VSBs, and partners in Asia



**AAVS**

Asian  
Association  
of Veterinary  
Schools



**SEAVSA**

South East  
Asia  
Veterinary  
School  
Association



**AVSBN**

ASEAN  
Veterinary  
Statutory  
Body  
Network



**FAVA**

Federation  
of Asian  
Veterinary  
Associations



**SEAOHUN**

Southeast  
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Health  
University  
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**South Asia  
VEE & VSB  
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WOAH support or collaboration



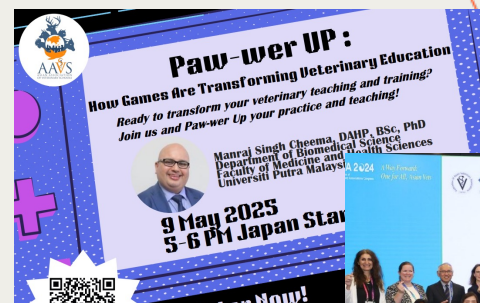


# Facilitating collaboration among regional VEEs and VSBs

## Sub-regional Meeting for VEEs and other Stakeholders of Veterinary Workforce Development in East Asia, Japan, 2023



## AAVS activities – “VetEd Asia,” CPD webinars



## Sub-regional Meeting and other initiatives for VEE/VSB Networks in South-East Asia

### SEAVSA Annual Meeting, 2024

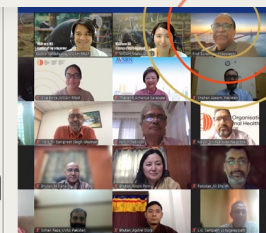


### Virtual Workshop on the Way Forward of VEEs and VSBs in South-East Asia



## Towards establishment of Sub-Regional VEE/VSB Network for South Asia, 2024

### Virtual Meeting of VEE & VSB Focal points: Towards Establishing a South Asia VEE & VSB Network



# Thank you & stay in touch

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