First International Equine VetCamp

Young equine veterinarians and students interested in equine medicine attended the first International Equine VetCamp in Saar- lous, Germany, Aug. 15-18. Saarland is borders France and Luxembourg.

The unique open-air congress and career orientation days were organized by Vetknow-ledge (vetknowledge.com) and supported by WEVA. Delegates attended from Germany, Austria, Hungary, Czech Republic, Luxembourg, Romania, Poland, France, Belgium, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Italy, Syria, and Turkey.

Diplomates of the European Colleges for Equine Internal Medicine (ECEIM) and Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia presented approximately 1,050 minutes of scientific talks on different equine medicine topics. Furthermore, young equine veterinarians had the opportunity to present cases and small research projects. The European College diplomates and the vice president of the German Veterinary Chamber presented on career options in equine medicine.

Bianca Schwarz, DVM, DMedVet, Dipl. ECEIM, ambassador for YoungWEVA, presented information on YoungWEVA and WEVA as well as the next WEVA Congress being held in Budapest, Hungary.

With temperatures above 25°C (77°F), ample sunshine, and a social program including BBQ, a local rock band, and a DJ, the first VetCamp (vet-camp.eu) was a great experience for everyone involved, Schwarz said.

"Had some super days at the VetCamp," said Cornélie Westermann, DVM, PhD, Dipl. ECEIM, vice president of the ECEIM, from Utrecht University's Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, in the Netherlands. "Thank you for all your hard work. Next year we will all bring many people!"

—Bianca Schwarz, Dipl. ECEIM
YoungWEVA ambassador