

Who's Who in One Health

African Veterinary Association

2018

1. Organization/ Group Name and website url:

African Veterinary Association / *Association Vétérinaire Africaine*

Website:

Founded 2000 – 2011, Tunis Tunisia

Aims: <https://uia.org/s/or/en/1100068026>

Unite and enhance the role of veterinarians in Africa; reinforce and harmonize veterinary practice; harmonize veterinary education and trainings; participate in the development of animal health; public health, animal welfare, breeding and reinforce veterinary services; represent civil society in Africa and be the voice of the veterinary profession in the continent.

2. Description and Scope of One Health Activities

The African Veterinary Association was among the first strong supporters of the One Health Initiative immediately after the Historical Signing of the [MoU between the World Medical Association \(WMA\) and the World Veterinary Association \(WVA\) in Bangkok, Thailand in October 2012](#). Dr. Faouzi Kechrid, WVA president at the time, signed on behalf the WVA.

The AVA organised in November 2012 joint meetings in Africa (Tunisia, Uganda and Mali) with the participation of Physicians, Veterinarians, Pharmacists, Dentists and Ecologists in the presence of national authorities and Ministries of Health and Agriculture.

The AVA also participated in the [1st WVA/WMA Joint Global One Health Conference](#) held in Madrid in May 2015 and organized successful Continental and Intercontinental Conferences on One Health on January 2014 in Khartoum, Sudan, on May 2015 in Zaghuan, Tunisia and September 2017 in Oran, Algeria.

The AVA also signed in January 2014 MoU's based on One Health Activities with the Pan American Veterinary Association (PANVET) and the Federation of Asian Veterinary Associations (FAVA) as well as with the Korean Veterinary Medical Association (KVMA) in August 2017 during the World Veterinary Congress and with the Chinese Veterinary Medical Association (CHVMA) in October 2018 during the Chinese Veterinary Conference held in Chengdu, Sichuan Province from 27 to 30 October 2017.

3. Type of Organization

Non-Profit