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Overview of activities
Priority area

Closer co-operation with IAHAIO membership

How are we doing?

Membership growth – now 101 members

Triennial with Green Chimneys

Co-hosting events with members, e.g. Tallinn, Warsaw

Web, social media and newsletter updates on work and news of membership

Membership survey 2020

Priority areas 2018-2023

Marie-Jose Enders-Slegers
Priority area

Encourage best practices for human and animal welfare in AAI programs

How are we doing?

International standards of best practice in AAI and animal welfare - Taskforce

Position statement on Zoonoses and AAI

Position statement on domestic violence and related animal abuse

White Paper 2018, many translations

Marie-Jose Enders-Slegers

Priority areas 2018-2023

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International Association of Human-Animal Interaction Organizations
Priority area

Encourage collaboration and closer working between researchers and practitioners in AAI and HAI

Marie-Jose Enders-Slegers

How are we doing?

Published two issues of online Journal, PAIJ, third in progress. PAIJ has attracted 8944 abstract views and 9010 downloads. Incremental publishing.

Enhanced working partnerships with ISAZ and AAI

Priority areas 2018-2023
Support emerging needs of HAI and AAI programs in countries/regions where HAI and AAI are underdeveloped

How are we doing?

Providing support to provisional members, to develop sustainable programs of AAI and HAI in their country

Our work in Turkey and Eastern Europe

IAHAIO has a representative in South America (Francesc Ristol) and looking for representation in Asia and Africa

Priority areas 2018-2023

Marie-Jose Enders-Slegers
Our members

Our sponsors

Nestle Purina
(conferences and PAIJ)

CEVA (conferences)

Our Board and Director

Thank you
IAHAIO currently has 101 members

- 5 Provisional members
- 35 Affiliate members
- 61 Full members

There are three applications in process
New members since 2019 AGM

**Provisional members**
DidactyCan A.C., Mexico  
Moje Alpaki, Poland  
Operation H.E.E.L., USA

**Affiliate members**
Animal Course Direct, UK  
Bocalán, Argentina  
Centrum Edukacji Kynologicznej Psia Wachta, Poland  
Manadak9, Mexico  
Waterford Country School, USA

**Full members**
Animal Assisted Interventions International (AAII)  
Bundesverband Tiergestützte Intervention e.V. (BTI), Germany  
Equine Psychotherapy Institute, Australia  
Fundacion Canis Majoris, Spain  
International Institute for Animal Assisted Play Therapy, USA
Developing IAHAIO education strategy

What is the status, opportunities and gaps in the field of AAI education?

Working group established to identify:

- organizations that accredit institutions/organizations providing education in the field of AAI
- organizations that define educational standards for international education providers

First step: IAHAIO will define minimal standards for education in AAI (analogy to the existing White Paper)

This will benefit education providers as well as people seeking training and education in the field.
Standards of Best Practice in AAI and animal welfare – Co-chair of Task Force

IAHAIO Position statement on Zoonoses and AAI

Outreach with AAI members in Asia and South Africa on needs and support in AAI practice and encouraging membership

Communicated with researchers and practitioners and major AAI organizations in East Asia (Malaysia, Singapore, Hong-Kong, Philippines, Thailand, Taiwan), South Asia (India, Sri-Lanka), Central Asia (Dubai) and South Africa

In communication with US national organizations (HSUS, Best Friends) on humane education program units
White Paper Translations
Facilitating translations of White Paper in: Arabic, Malay, Cantonese, Mandarin, Hindi, Tamil, Bengali, Assamese, Punjabi

Editor PAIJ – Science Section
Editorial decisions for publications of manuscripts (with Jo-Ann Fowler)
Reviewing manuscripts
Creation of Editorial Members group

Development and outreach
Brinda Jegatheesan

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Preparation of the agendas & minutes of the IAHAIO meetings (Board, AGM) setting up the online meetings (Board, AGM)

Tending to the main IAHAIO email account

Assisting in preparations for the now-cancelled IAHAIO event in Poland

Preparation of the IAHAIO bylaws changes proposal

Overseeing the process of translation of the IAHAIO White Paper 2018 since AGM 2019: Turkish (new), Spanish (new), Polish (update), German (update), French (update)
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Plans for 2020-2021
Membership

Closer co-operation with IAHAIO membership

Elizabeth Ormerod

Our plans

Co-hosting conference/events with members, online and face-to-face where possible. Specific topics, shared expertise.

Format and date of AGM 2021 to be advised. May link with a conference.

Encourage adherence to IAHAIO best practice guidelines (e.g. White Papers, Position Statements etc.)
Membership

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Elizabeth Ormerod

Our plans

Strengthen our social media presence and communications on member news

Encourage member participation in IAHAIO Facebook Closed Group

Buddy system for provisional members

Recruitment – new leaflet

Plans 2020-2021

IAHAIO International Association of Human-Animal Interaction Organizations
**Education**

Encourage best practices for human and animal welfare in AAI programs

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**Our plans**

- Publish new IAHAIO international standards for AAI and animal welfare
- Position statement on Zoonoses and AAI
- Publish new proposal on common terminologies in AAI – revised and updated
- Publish new IAHAIO international guidelines for education and training in AAI

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Jo-Ann Fowler (for Karin Hediger)

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**Plans 2020-2021**
Policy

Strengthen IAHAIO’s international voice through robust policies to advance the field

Michał Pręgowski

Our plans

Develop new IAHAIO documents for the HAI and AAI fields, responding to need and based on evidence and a collaborative approach

Continue with translation of all IAHAIO policy documents, improving access and adoption (e.g. translation of White Paper into Arabic, Malay, Cantonese, Mandarin, Hindi, Tamil, Bengali, Assamese, Punjabi)

Plans 2020-2021
Our plans

Publish a new IHAIO declaration on social media responsibility for AAI organizations (promoting One Health One Welfare approach, showcasing fact-based good practices, plight to address AAI-related fake news)

Publish a new IHAIO position statement on compassion fatigue and burnout in the AAI field

Michał Pręgowski
**Development**

Encourage collaboration and closer working between researchers and practitioners in AAI and HAI

**Our plans**

Publish two further issues of PAIJ. Incremental publication. Include a special issue on COVID-19 and human-animal interactions and AAI.

Provide grant support for IAHAIO members (practitioners) to participate in ISAZ research conferences.

*Brinda Jegatheesan*
Support emerging needs in HAI and AAI programs. Support countries/regions where HAI and AAI are underdeveloped.

Our plans

Appoint IAHAIO representatives in Asia and Africa

Develop plans to strengthen ‘inclusion, diversity, equity and access’ (I.D.E.A.) in AAI programs

Brinda Jegatheesan
Moving into 2021!

With good reserve levels, the income from our membership dues and a prudent approach to spending (reducing costs where we can), we are moving into 2021 confident that we can continue to support our activities.

These include our journal, PAIJ, grants for conference attendance, support for developing AAI programmes, and our own education initiatives.