



ICLAS: Oceania Regional Committee							
Minutes							
Time:	10 am NZDST						
Date:	25 September 2023						
Venue:	Online Teams link						
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Attachments							
Apologies:	Archibold Bakare, Fiji (attending a conference in Australia)						
Useful link:	https://iclas.org/regional-committees						

Welcome (postponed)

We are very happy to welcome Archibold Bakare to our ICLAS Oceania Regional Committee

- Archibold is from Suva, Central, Fiji where he is Assistant Professor for Fiji National University.

Australian Openness Agreement Membership Update

Openness Agreement was launched at the ANZCCART conference in Adelaide.

ICLAS Oceania has signed up to the [openness-agreement-may23-v2.pdf \(adelaide.edu.au\)](#)

- The annual fee of A\$250 has been waived.
- *Our name and logo will be on the webpage.*

ICLAS Funding Update

Regional Committees: reach out to the associations in your region to encourage funding requests for activities for 2023. Refer them to the application for support on the ICLAS web page at <https://media-01.imu.nl/storage/iclas.org/22971/application-for-iclas-financial-support-activities2023.pdf>

Deadline 15 September 2023

Emailed again (follow up from June email correspondence) to Antonio beinndeargh@gmail.com and Ekaterina botovchencorivera@gmail.com to find out when the next funding round will be and if the annual date is a regular fixture.

Update 25/09/2023:

Date to Receive Funding Requests Extended until **October 8, 2023**

Financial support is available from ICLAS for meetings, workshops, classes, and development of educational materials or initiatives. Submit funding applications for 2024 educational initiatives via the ICLAS Regional Committees. Applications for funding of activities for 2024 will be reviewed and voted on by the board. Information about the regional committee funding and an application may be found here. Deadline for receipt of applications is extended to October 8th, 2023. NOTE: Funding decisions will not be known until late in the year. **The Board members to be newly elected in October of 2023 will make these funding decisions late in 2023.**

- No applications have been received for this funding round.
- Possible online training for veterinarians. JS to report back.

Committee actions for Lab animal work/people in the following areas

Purpose - see if any interest in anything that ICLAS has to offer relating lab animal science and to extend invite for membership to our committee		
Action	For	Update
No ethics committees in New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Samoa that we know of.	-	
USP have a campus in Samoa & in Fiji	TZ	https://www.usp.ac.fj/research/wp-content/uploads/sites/5/2021/12/animal_ethics_handbook.pdf https://www.usp.ac.fj/research/pg-affairs/post-graduate-resources/research-ethics/
Vet Scholarship – to be mentioned at ANZLAA Vet SIG Journal club, and MMLA Journal club, gauge interest. Charles River Short Course? Some other options to follow up	JS & PS	On hold
Technician representative from Australia	JS	
Suggestions from veterinary schools in Caribbean & Philippines	PS	
Talk to vet students/teach/present in Fiji	TZ/JS	To be discussed with AB - OAR
https://www.aalas.org/education/ilam	PS	Funding available – JS to put in their newsletter
ICLAS Regional committees – who chairs them – how do we make contact?	JW	Sharing of info, guest attendance at other Regional Committee meetings/ vice versa
Goal of quarterly meetings is to include one in person meeting:	VB	Changing this to 3 meetings a year as difficult to fit in 4 meetings.

Future meetings

Possible in person meeting:

Christchurch 2024 to fit in with the ANZCCART conference to be held on 10 – 12 September 2024 at the commitments are being met.

Idea: Would it be possible for AB to apply for ICLAS funding to attend this in person meeting?

Next meeting dates to be arranged for:

Online meeting in February 2024, May 2024 and September 2024

If a funding application(s) are received, then we need an additional meeting early (10am space-saver on 9 or 10th October) – 45 min.