

Fun(d) Run

Let's get active together and save lives in Africa by raising funds to support the fight against rabies!

SUPPORT THE WSAVA FOUNDATION FUN(D) RUN

Run or walk with your vet & pet!

Friday, 29 September 2023, 7:00 am GMT+1

Information

What is it? A scenic run or walk in the picturesque scenic route next to the Tagus River.

Why do we hold it? To save lives in Africa by supporting the fight against rabies with the support of local Small Animal Veterinary Associations.

When does it take place: Friday, 29 September at 7:00 am GMT+1.

Where: Along the Tagus River.

How do I register? You can register via the [registration page](#) when you register for WSAVA Congress. You can also register at the WSAVA FOUNDATION stand in the congress exhibition.

Distance: 5km run (2.5km each way) or 3km walk (1.5km each way).

What is my reward? A special limited edition sports T-shirt, great feeling with great people, small refreshments, medals for the fastest 15 ladies and fastest 15 men.

Route: We are starting from the Lisbon Congress Center, continuing along the river and, then turning around at Padrão

dos Descobrimientos.

The WSAVA Foundation

The [World Small Animal Veterinary Association Foundation](#) (WSAVAF) is a not-for-profit organization, launched by the World Small Animal Veterinary Association (WSAVA). It aims to secure funding to develop initiatives to educate veterinarians and the public globally about disease prevention and to improve the health of small companion animals by preventing and controlling zoonotic diseases and strengthening the human-animal bond.

One of the WSAVA Foundation's key projects is the African Small Companion Animal Network (AFSCAN) initiative which is supporting the development of the veterinary profession across Africa and playing a key role in the fight against rabies on the continent, together with partners including charities Worldwide Veterinary Services (WVS) and Mission Rabies.

In 2013, as part of its fundraising efforts, the WSAVA Foundation staged the first Fun(d) Run in Auckland, New Zealand during WSAVA World Congress and, in so doing, started a tradition that we now repeat every year as part of Congress.

Not only does the Fun(d) Run raise money for the WSAVA Foundation but it also promotes the concept of health and fitness for pets and owners – embracing a 'One Health' approach to wellbeing – an important focus for the WSAVA Foundation.

Since the first Fun(d) Run in Auckland in 2013, more than 1.000 people have signed up to support these fun events, which are now an integral part of WSAVA World Congress. Monies raised have been used to support [Mission Rabies' work in India and Malawi](#). The Malawi Project, launched by WVS and Mission Rabies with the UK charity Dogs Trust, aims to make a real difference in the lives of people and dogs in a country where a third of all global human cases of rabies occur and where

someone dies of the disease every 30 minutes. More than half of these deaths occur in children.

In 2015, we also donated some of the funds raised from the Fun(d) Run at WSAVA World Congress in Bangkok to our colleagues in Nepal to support their vital work following the devastating earthquake earlier this year.

The WSAVA Foundation Fun(d) Run

Get ready to join your colleagues from all around the world by taking part in an exhilarating run or walk in Lisbon to raise funds for the WSAVA Foundation. It does not matter whether you are an avid runner or have no experience at all – everyone is welcome. The 9th Fun(d) Run will take place on 29 September 2023 in Lisbon, during the 48th WSAVA World Congress. Don't miss it!

Donate

All entrants are asked to make a donation to the WSAVA Foundation (EUR 20 minimum).

Please sign up and help WSAVA Foundation's major project in Africa – **the AFSCAN Initiative** – to achieve its goals.

Your registration and shirt size will then be confirmed: reg_wsava23@kenes.com

Register for the Fun(d) Run with a donation of:

- 20 EUR
- 50 EUR
- 100 EUR
- 200 EUR

The Fun(d) run is proudly sponsored by Hill's and MSD

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The WSAVA Foundation, AFSCAN, and Mission Rabies
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