



FAVA ONEHEALTH FUKUOKA OFFICE

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On Tuesday, August 1, 2023, the "Fukuoka Office of the Federation of Asian Veterinary Medical Associations (FAVA) One Health" was opened on the 13th floor of ACROS Fukuoka and an opening ceremony was held.

The opening ceremony was attended by Fukuoka Prefecture Governor Seitaro Hattori, Fukuoka City Vice Mayor Yasuko Arase, and members of the Fukuoka Prefectural Assembly, Fukuoka City Assembly, Fukuoka business community, Fukuoka Medical Association, and Fukuoka Veterinary Medical Association.



First of all, the Federation of Asian Veterinary Medical Associations (FAVA) One Health Fukuoka Office (hereinafter referred to as "FOF") As the first FOF President, Dr. Isao Kurauchi, President of the Federation of Asian Veterinary Medical Associations (FAVA), gave the following address.



【Address by FOF President, Dr. Isao Kurauchi】

The establishment of the FAVA Japan Office was strongly requested by those of you present today, and we proposed the idea to the FAVA Executive and was unanimously approved by them. last fall, FAVA Council Meeting was held.

At that time, I assumed the position of President of FAVA.

Governor Hattori and I were able to conclude a "Memorandum of Understanding for the establishment of the Fukuoka Office.

My staff and I have been preparing for the opening of the office for a long time, and today, we are finally able to start. I am filled with emotion.

We already have a network with international organizations such as the FAVA or WVA, WHO, and FAO.

We are planning to make full use of this network to collect and share information on One Health and to make efforts to promote One Health.

FAVA and veterinary medical associations in each country already have their own One Health programs, and we would like to actively cooperate with them to expand One Health practice activities not only in Asia but also in the world. We would like to use this place as a base to expand One Health around the world in the future. And already, people around the world who are knowledgeable about "one-health" are saying, "When you think of "one-health," Fukuoka is the place to be.

We would like to enhance the presence of Fukuoka Prefecture and Fukuoka City through this "one-health" concept.

Although we have just started up, we would like to accumulate achievements and work hard together as a member of a useful international organization so that we will not be inferior to Habitat.

(Excerpts)

Next, as the guest of honor, Seitaro Hattori, Governor of Fukuoka Prefecture, delivered the following congratulatory address.



【Congratulatory address by Seitaro Hattori, Governor of Fukuoka Prefecture】

The One Health Fukuoka Office has been established at 1-1 Tenjin, One One in Fukuoka City. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to Dr.Kurauchi, the president of this office, for his great efforts in establishing and opening this office as the President of the FAVA and as the President of the JVMA. Once again, I would like to express my deep respect and gratitude to you. The Fukuoka Office will accumulate information on one-health from Asian countries in order to lead the activities of one-health practice as stated in the " Asia One Health Fukuoka Declaration 2022" adopted at the FAVA Congress held in Fukuoka in November last year. In addition, we will work with the WHO, FAO, Habitat, Fukuoka Prefecture, and other related international organizations to address zoonosis control and drug resistance control.

Fukuoka Prefecture visited the State of Hawaii in April.

A "Memorandum of Understanding on One Health Promotion" was signed between Fukuoka Prefecture and the University of Hawaii, which already has a course in One Health. On this occasion, Kyushu University and 11 other universities in the prefecture joined us to exchange views with the University of Hawaii.

Fukuoka Prefecture is currently preparing for the construction of a "One Health Center" in Miyama City.

We would like to conduct surveys and research based on this one-health approach, and we will also collaborate with the Fukuoka Office in the development of highly specialized human resources who will be responsible for this approach.

Furthermore, Fukuoka Prefecture holds the "One Health International Forum" every year. I would like to further enhance the expertise of the "One Health International Forum" in collaboration with the Fukuoka Office by having the world's top researchers gather here and disseminate research and information on One Health from Fukuoka to the world. We would like to develop this into a high-level forum.

We hope to contribute to the promotion of One Health not only in Japan but also in Asia and the world, and to make Fukuoka the "Fukuoka of One Health" in the world. We would like to establish Fukuoka as a world leader in the field of one-health.

(Excerpts)