

## "The 52nd Veterinarian's Day Celebration" was held



On Saturday, January 6, 2024, the 52nd Veterinary's Day Celebration was held at the Memorial Hall of Pingtung University of Science and Technology in Taiwan. Since the three East Asian countries (Japan, Korea, and Taiwan) have concluded an MOU on veterinary academic exchange, Dr. Isao Kurauchi, President of the Japan Veterinary Medical Association and the Federation of Asian Veterinary Associations (FAVA), and Dr. Juhyung Hur, President of the Korean Veterinary Medical Association attended the event.

This event is an important annual event held by the Taiwan Veterinary Medical Association and has become an annual gathering of veterinary associations from all over Taiwan.



Johnson Chang, Former president of the World Veterinary Association and President of the Korean Veterinary Medical Association, President of Pingtung University and President of Taiwan Veterinary Medical Association



Welcome dance by students of elementary schools in Pingtung County

## [President Isao Kurauchi: Greetings]

The Taiwan Veterinary Medical Association, the Korean Veterinary Medical Association and we, the Japan Veterinary Medical Association, signed a "Memorandum of Understanding on the Promotion of Veterinary Academic Exchange" in January 2018. Despite the impact of Covid-19, we have continued to maintain close exchanges.



In recent years the areas in which veterinarian's expertise is required are diverse. This includes not only managing zoonotic diseases but also addressing the global issue of AMR, conserving ecosystems, and ensuring a stable food supply through improved livestock productivity. A single country alone cannot solve these global issues and we must address them through international cooperation. Our collaborative relationships and bonds will be crucial.

My purpose for coming to Taiwan this time is to strengthen our relationship with you. I am excited to engage with all of you during today's ceremony.