

World Veterinary Association Congress Set to Take Place in Tokyo (2026)

The Japan Veterinary Medical Association announced on April 23, 2024 that the 41st World Veterinary Association Congress will take place in Tokyo, Japan.

Press Release by the Japan Veterinary Medical Association

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To Media Outlets and Others Concerned,

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WVA General Assembly Chooses Tokyo to Host the 41st WVAC in 2026

Japan Veterinary Medical Association

The Japan Veterinary Medical Association (JVMA) is proud to announce that Dr. Isao KURAUCHI, President of the JVMA, was elected as the President-Elect of the World Veterinary Association (WVA) at the General Assembly held in South Africa on April 16, 2024. He formally assumed office, becoming the first Japanese to hold this position. He will serve for a total of six years, two each as President-Elect, President, and Immediate Past President, respectively.

During the General Assembly, it was also decided that the 41st World Veterinary Association Congress (WVAC) will be held in Tokyo, Japan, in 2026, coinciding with Dr. KURAUCHI's assumption of president office.

It will mark the second time in 31 years that the WVAC will be held in Japan, following the 25th WVAC in Yokohama in 1995.

The WVAC is an annual veterinary convention hosted by the WVA, where veterinary professionals from multidisciplinary sectors worldwide gather veterinary academic expertise thereby contributing to the improvement of human life and global welfare through leveraging One Health approaches. The 38th WVAC was held in Taiwan in 2023, the 39th in Cape Town, South Africa in 2024, and the 40th is scheduled to take place in the United States in 2025.