

Cross-Regional Veterinary Cooperation Summits

Short description of the project:

The project brings together **veterinary chambers from partner countries to strengthen cross-regional cooperation**. Through two international conferences, experts will share research insights on animal epidemics in the region, exchange good practices, share the situation on professional training for veterinarians and develop joint recommendations to improve policy and public health coordination.

The project focuses on strengthening **regional dialogue on veterinary policy and professional practice across Central Europe and Western Balkan countries**.

Two high-level conferences will be organised to address these issues. Participants will be professionals working in the national vet chambers of the Visegrad countries and the Western Balkans. The events will serve as a platform to exchange knowledge on the latest developments in veterinary regulations and health and safety risks.

The **first** conference:

In **October 2025 in Visegrád (Hungary)** and address the situation of **animal epidemics** in the region: infectious animal diseases, outbreaks, control, prevention in the member countries.

The **second** conference:

In **May 2026 in Lučenec (Slovakia)** and address other systemic issues: **demographic issues** (aging professionals, welfare-vulnerability issues), **participation in performing state tasks, CPD** (continuous professional development) in the V4 and Western Balkan countries, further professional training opportunities.