Companion Animals Non-Domestic and Endangered Species (CANDES) Committee

Annual Report

Following the January 2014 IETS Annual Conference, the committee co-chairs and members thanked Dr. Naida Loskutoff for more than 10 years of service as Chair of CANDES. She was instrumental in establishing this group and identifying the needs of its members.

The primary goal this year was to re-establish an active membership: updating email lists and contact information, communicating changes and upcoming committee goals to the members, promoting CANDES and IETS 2015. Meetings with the subcommittee co-chairs focused on identifying the future direction of CANDES, including member needs, subcommittee goals, and co-chair representation. Potential changes to be implemented in the coming years will be presented to CANDES members at IETS 2015 for their input and approval.

A program with guest speakers (Pasqualino Loi, Nucharin Songsasen, William Holt) was prepared for the CANDES forum at IETS 2015.

A preliminary proposal for a CANDES pre-conference symposium at IETS 2016, including a brief outline of the topics and speakers, was submitted to the IETS 2016 program organizers.