VETERINARY
27th – 29th Sep 2023
Vienna, Austria

ETHICS
Conference

Background

Debates and reflections on ethical issues of the veterinary profession, which were once marginal, are gaining momentum. VETERINARY ETHICS, as a field of applied ethics, attends to these debates by reflecting on ethical challenges and providing space for discussions with veterinary professionals and students. Consequently, VETERINARY ETHICS has been institutionalized as a multifaceted and multibranched field encompassing both empirical and normative ethics, and related methodological issues. Further, the field contributes to the development and implementation of ethical standards and codes of conduct that do not only provide orientation for veterinary professionals, but also promote and protect the profession's integrity. The VETERINARY ETHICS conference 2023 in Vienna will focus on these various tasks and responsibilities placed on the field of VETERINARY ETHICS as both an academic discipline and a practical profession. This focus enables a knowledge transfer among researchers working in the various branches of VETERINARY ETHICS, and goes beyond the academic borders by facilitating conversations between researchers, veterinary professionals as well as representatives of the veterinary profession and its associations. It is the overall aim of the VETERINARY ETHICS conference 2023 to further institutionalize the field of VETERINARY ETHICS by focusing debates on recent developments as well as current and future potentials and possible challenges.

Conference topics

The VETERINARY ETHICS conference 2023 will be framed by four keynote speakers. Further, we welcome contributions from researchers working in a wide range of disciplines, including philosophy/applied ethics, veterinary science, science education, communication, sociology, politics, law and others. We also encourage contributions on the topics below from practitioners or representatives of veterinary professional associations with a (non-scientific) veterinary background.

VETERINARY ETHICS *Conference topics include…*

- Empirical Ethics and Normative Ethics
- Professional Ethics | Codes of Conduct | Ethical guidelines
- Methodologies in Ethics
- Teaching and Didactics in Ethics
- Veterinary Ethics and Law
- Communication and Media
- Welfare and Quality of Life
- Decision-making and Policy Advice

… with a clear contribution to the veterinary field.

Training offering

In addition to participants presenting and discussing their work in form of oral presentations, we will provide workshops with invited experts from core fields to offer training on…

- Integrity and Responsible Conduct in the Interdisciplinary Research Field of VETERINARY ETHICS
- Didactics and Teaching Strategies in VETERINARY ETHICS
- Chances and Challenges related to Interdisciplinarity in VETERINARY ETHICS
- From Research to Practice: Case Studies within the field of VETERINARY ETHICS
- Research and Education in Communication
- Empirical Ethics in the field of VETERINARY ETHICS

Important dates

Oct 2022   Call for abstracts
15 Mar 2023   Deadline for submission of abstracts (1st round | max. 250 words)
17 Apr 2023   Notification of decision on abstracts to authors
15 May 2023   Deadline for submission of abstracts (2nd round | max. 2 pages incl. reference list for booklet)
15 Jun 2023   Notification of acceptance of abstracts and oral presentations
30 Jun 2023   Deadline early bird registration
27 Sep 2023   Start conference

Venue and organization

The VETERINARY ETHICS conference 2023 will be held at the Messerli Research Institute – Unit of Ethics and Human-Animal Studies – at the University of Veterinary Medicine, Vienna.

- Veterinaerplatz 1, 1210 Vienna, Austria

Main organizers

Svenja Springer and Herwig Grimm (Unit of Ethics and Human-Animal Studies)

We look forward to welcoming you in Vienna!