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## THE SCIENTIFIC VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION FOR APICULTURE (SVETAP)

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On October 2016 it was founded in Pisa the first Veterinary Scientific Association for Apiculture. The acronym in Italian language sounds SVETAP and stands for: "Società Scientifica Veterinaria per l'Apicoltura".

SVETAP is a non-commercial and non-profit scientific association, which has technical-scientific, cultural and educational finality, based at the Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale del Lazio e della Toscana "Mariano Aleandri" (IZSLT) in Via Appia Nuova, 1411, Rome.

The establishment of the society's headquarter at the IZSLT is motivated by its wide experience (especially thanks to the presence of the Beekeeping Unit) in research, diagnostic, advice, assistance and training in beekeeping, and also by its continuous exchange and collaboration with other national and international institutions.



The founding partners are veterinarians from different institutions (Universities, AA.SS.LL., II.ZZ.SS.), and different aged that represent Italy from North to South, to ensure a diversified approach with an integrative view.

The president of the Association is Dr. Giovanni Formato, head of the Apiculture Laboratory of IZSLT and one of the main promoters of the scientific society, flanked by Prof. Carlo D'Ascenzi of the Veterinary Department of the University of Pisa as Vice President and Prof. Michele Mortarino of the Veterinary Department of the University of Milan as Secretary.

The main objectives of SVETAP are:

1. To promote and to enhance the veterinarians professional skills applied to the field of integrated protection of beekeeping patrimony, from the perspective of bee health, food safety and public health, helping beekeepers to produce respecting the Good Beekeeping Practices (GBPs), ensuring the quality of honeybee products;
2. To cooperate with the view "One Health" with:
  - The professional body, representative bodies and associations of Veterinary Surgeons;
  - Professional associations, representative bodies and associations of the other professional fields involved at various levels in beekeeping;
  - Universities, research institutions and scientific associations involved in beekeeping;
3. To promote the study and research within the veterinary disciplines applied in beekeeping;
4. To facilitate the technological upgrading and the development of innovation in beekeeping;
5. To establish working groups and committees for the study of specific topics in the field of beekeeping;
6. To set up awards and scholarships;
7. To promote research activities related to the field of beekeeping;
8. To ensure the continuing education of its members;
9. To promote and organize training activities (e.g. Conferences, workshops, seminars, courses of all types including undergraduate, master, round tables, etc.), both at national and international level;
10. To promote the activities of communication, dissemination and correct technical and scientific information of the beekeeping topics, also to public opinion.

Highly trained veterinarians in the apiculture sector will contribute to guarantee a proper support for beekeepers and a better quality and quantity of beehive products.