



## **Review of the Interim Report**

**Name and location of the Veterinary Education Establishment (VEE):** Faculty of Veterinary Medicine – VMF, Leipzig University, Leipzig, Germany

**Name of the Coordinator reviewing the Interim Report (IR):** Hans Henrik Dietz

**Date of the review:** 8 May 2022

**1. Overall analysis: Is the IR written in agreement with the SOP?**

- Yes.

**2. Major changes since the previous SER: Could these changes significantly affect compliance with the ESEVT Standards?** ○ No.

**3. Progress in the correction of Deficiencies: Have the Deficiencies (both Major and Minor ones) identified during the previous Visitation been corrected? If not, are there a plan and a timeframe to do so?**

- There were no Major Deficiencies.
- Minor Deficiencies:
- **partial compliance with Substandard 1.5 because of absence of a formal collection of the input from stakeholders** – *“..the establishment of an advisory board with stakeholders from business and politics (VMF Stakeholder Advisory Committee) has been adopted and is currently under development, but not yet completely implemented. In response to the recommendations of the last visitation team, the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine (VMF) has conducted a systematic inventory of all stakeholders from all groups in society and our profession. In doing so, we found that we have a large number of external stakeholders who indeed actively or passively influence the work at our Faculty with their input, advice and support, critically reflect and provide feedback to the institutions and the Dean's*

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Office. We are now in the process of targeting individuals from these groups and asking them to become members of an external VMF Stakeholder Advisory Committee.”

- **partial compliance with Substandard 3.8 and 3.10 because of sub-optimal EPT organisation** – “to be covered by introducing an online case log platform. This will enable feedback on the progression of students during their EPT, assessment of animal species, numbers of patients seen and overall exposure to the breadth of veterinary medicine. Assessment of the case logs will also enable comparison with the Day One Competences.”
- **partial compliance with Substandard 4.7 and 4.13 because of sub-optimal biosecurity measures in some areas** – “Small animal isolation facility: The biosecurity lock of the isolation for infectious diseases has found a temporary solution. The department for Small Animals is planning a much-needed expansion of the intensive care unit, doubling the present size and establishing a separate ICU for canine and feline patient, including a new location for the isolation unit for infectious diseases. On-campus slaughterhouse: Hygienic standards will be improved by integrating facilities for changing boots and gowns in an adjoining room of the slaughterhouse. Structural implementation is planned by the end of 2022. Pathology: Safety and Necropsy room: Biosafety and biosecurity measures: The current situation is due to inadequacies of the infrastructure itself. The changing room and access area to the section hall in the Veterinary Pathology Institute is being restructured. This is part of the fundamental renovation of the entire building complex of the institute. Preparatory work for this renovation is currently being carried out. Major reconstructions are in a final planning phase with realization in the nearby future. The structural redesign of the changing room and access area to the section hall as well as the renovation of the section hall itself are part of the first construction phase. The Institute of Veterinary Pathology is planned to be reconstructed in the years 2022-2028.”
- The Minor Deficiencies have been corrected or are in the process of being corrected.

#### **4. ESEVT Indicators: Are some Indicators below the current minimum value and could it significantly affect compliance with the ESEVT Standards?**

- Indicators I13 and I15 are below the recommended minimum values but this does not seem to significantly affect the VEE’s compliance with the ESEVT Standards.

#### **5. Any other comments or suggestions to ECOVE**

- None.

#### **RECOMMENDATION BY ECOVE:**

The Committee recommends that the VEE takes into consideration the ESEVT Indicators I13 and I15, which currently are below the recommended minimal values, and implements appropriate measures to correct the deficiencies.

Indicators I9 (*n*<sup>o</sup> of ruminant and pig patients seen intra-murally / *n*<sup>o</sup> of students graduating annually) is far above the median values, and it is recommended that the VEE checks if the

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Indicator was calculated correctly, taking into account the instructions regarding the calculation of Indicators provided in Annex 4 of the [ESEVT SOP 2019 as amended in September 2021](#).