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The Director General of the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH), Dr Monique Éloit, took part in the Eighth Global One Health Summit, which took place on 30 March 2022. The Summit was hosted by the World Veterinary Association (WVA) as part of its Annual Congress held in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

The Summit provided the opportunity to deliver an important message, urging the veterinary profession to engage with One Health issues, and highlighting the importance of public–private partnerships.

In these times of extreme challenges, including wars and unrest, climate change and biodiversity loss, and of course the COVID-19 pandemic, it has become more evident than ever that we urgently need to work together to leave a better world for future generations.

Early disease detection, prevention and risk reduction are key in addressing these issues. The partnership between the WVA and WOAH is an asset for advocating this approach with high-level decision-makers and all concerned stakeholders.

The Summit was also the occasion for a bilateral meeting with the WVA President-elect, Dr Rafael Laguens, and WVA Immediate Past President, Dr Patricia Turner, to define more precisely the areas of mutual interest for collaboration. Among the areas mentioned were education and training for health professionals to strengthen the world's Veterinary Services, as well as antimicrobial resistance (AMR), including AMR in pets.

The Director General of WOAH also met the President of the Veterinary Association of the United Arab Emirates. An additional meeting with the Dean of the Veterinary College of Abu Dhabi, along with teachers and students, provided the chance to discuss career prospects and a wide range of professional opportunities. Areas of growing interest to which veterinary expertise can successfully contribute include camelid diseases, marine fauna and animal behaviour, among others.

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