



28th VETNNET CONFERENCE

17th – 19th September 2025

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‘Sustainability in educating the VN’



Deventer, The Netherlands

Registration

Registration for the conference will close on August 1st 2025.

Conference fee

Members		Non-members	
Early bird delegate (before June 20 st)	€325	Delegate fee (regardless when booked)	€525
Delegate normal fee (from June 20 st)	€425	Pre-conference activity (minimum subscription applies)	€20
Accompanying person	€200		
Pre-conference activity fee (minimum subscription applies)	€20		

Delegate fee includes:

- Vetnnet reception, buffet on Wednesday
- Dinner and party on Thursday evening
- Lectures and workshops on Thursday and Friday
- Tea, coffee and lunches on Thursday and Friday

Accompanying person fee includes:

- Buffet on Wednesday evening
- Dinner and party on Thursday evening
- Cancellation must always be in writing (vetnnet@outlook.com).
- A minimum of 45 days before the first event day the cancellation will be free of charge.
- Less than 45 days before the first event day the full price is charged.

Conference program *(Program is subject to change)*

Wednesday, 17th September 2025, pre-conference day

14.30 - 17.00 (Optional, fee €20)	Pre-conference program: Citytour “Highlights” and drink afterwards
18.45 - 19.00	Welcome and registration
19.00 - 22.00	Reception at “De Kapel” Graaf van Burenstraat 12, Deventer

Thursday, 18th September 2025

8.45 u	Arrival at conference venue: “Deventer buitensocieteit”, Twelloseweg 1a, Steenenkamer
9.00 - 9.10	Welcome word
9.10 - 9.30	VN education in the Netherlands : Anne Avezaat – van Boxtel
9.30 - 10.30u	Sustainability Starts with Support: Protecting Our Workforce Through Change : Alison Heywood
10.30u - 11.00u	COFFEE BREAK
11.00u - 12.00u	Educating the Educator: Lessons from the Other Side of the Whiteboard : Nina de Franco
12.00 - 13.00	LUNCH
13.00u - 14.00u	How to thrive - building resilience for sustainable futures : Helen Silver - MacMahon
14.00u - 14.30u	COFFEE BREAK
14.30u – 14.45u	Vetrise : Kaylee Dupon
14.45u - 15.15u	Dutch schools cooperating : DOPA: Nienke Dijkerman
15.15u – 15.45u	Sustainability in the Veterinary Sector: Current Developments and Building Awareness through Veterinary Education : Sandra Haven-Pross - De groene veterinaire (the green veterinarian)
15.45 u- 16.15 u	Discussion about sustainability in practical lessons etc
19.00u -00.30u	Dinner and tropical theme dance party at : “Deventer Buitensocieteit”, Twelloseweg 1a, Steenenkamer

Friday, 19th September 2025

8.45 u	Arrival at conference venue: Deventer buitensocieteit, Twelloseweg 1a, Steenenkamer
9.00u - 10.00u	AGM
10.00u - 10.15u	Next conference host presentation: Czech Veterinary Nursing Association – Prague, Czech republic
10.15u - 10.30u	COFFEE BREAK
10.30u - 11.30u	Preparing students for a lifelong profession. Using microcredentials and educational tracks : Jennifer Sterling and Ann Wortinger
11.30u - 11.50u	Acovene : Nienke Dijkerman
11.50u – 12.00u	The Yellow Raincoat Programme: Angelique Withaar
12.00u - 13.00u	LUNCH
13.00 u- 14.00u	From Hurt to Heard: Uncovering Misconduct in Veterinary Practice : Saskia Nab - St. anna advies
14.00u - 15.00u	- Workshop (1st out of 3)
15.00u - 15.15u	COFFEE BREAK
15.15u - 16.15u	- Workshop (2nd out of 3)
16.15u - 16.30u	Conclusions and closing the conference

For more information on travel and accommodation, please look at our website:

[VETNNET conference](#)

Workshops (choose 2 out of 4)

1. ***“Hands Off, Safety On!” – Mastering Hands-Free X-Rays in Veterinary Training***

Join us for a dynamic, hands-on (yet hands-free!) workshop designed specifically for educators training the next generation of veterinary nurses. In this session, you'll learn how to safely and effectively demonstrate hands-free radiography using a model dog — a must-have skill in modern veterinary practice.

Discover techniques that not only reduce radiation exposure for students and staff but also align with current best practices and workplace safety standards. Whether you're updating your teaching approach or building confidence in radiographic positioning, this workshop equips you with practical strategies to take back to your classroom.

Empower your students to do it right — without putting their hands (or health) at risk!

2. ***“Build to Teach: DIY Veterinary Nursing Models for the Classroom”***

Bring your teaching to life — literally! In this hands-on workshop, you'll learn how to create simple, cost-effective training models that will transform your practical sessions. From a paw with clip-worthy nails to a leg ready for IV catheter placement, these DIY models are designed to simulate real clinical procedures while being reusable and classroom-friendly.

Perfect for veterinary nurse educators, this session gives you the tools and tips to build your own teaching aids on a budget — and the confidence to integrate them into your lessons.

Come ready to craft, create, and take away more than just inspiration!

3. ***“Speak up, stand strong: Navigating Misconduct in Veterinary Education with the Veterinary DialogueTrainer”***

How do you prepare students to respond to inappropriate behavior from clients, colleagues, or supervisors? In this interactive hands on workshop, you'll experience realistic misconduct scenarios using the Veterinary DialogueTrainer—a digital tool that helps develop communication skills and professional resilience. Together, we'll explore how to respond effectively to inappropriate behaviour, and how to make such topics discussable in a safe learning environment.

This session equips veterinary educators with practical strategies to train students in standing strong and speaking up!

4. ***“Experience the Future of Green Education in the GMEC!”***

We warmly invite you to join an inspiring workshop inside the GMEC – Zone.college's mobile classroom!

Step into this innovative trailer and discover how technology and sustainability come together in tomorrow's education.

What to expect:

- Hands-on with Augmented and Virtual Reality
- Fly drones and explore simulator technology
- Dive into 3D learning materials
- Learn how the GMEC is self-sufficient with solar panels, a wind turbine, and a green rooftop terrace

This workshop is perfect for anyone curious about the latest developments in education, technology, and sustainability.

Whether you're a teacher, policymaker, or education innovator – the GMEC offers a unique and engaging experience you won't want to miss!