STUDENT TEAMS FROM MAKERERE AND IOWA STATE WIN THE 2017 ONE HEALTH DAY STUDENT EVENT COMPETITION

The second annual global One Health Day, held on 3 November 2017, generated over 110 events in over 28 countries. Officially launched in April 2016 by three leading international One Health groups, the One Health Commission, the One Health Initiative Autonomous pro bono Team, and the One Health Platform Foundation, this initiative has grown into an annual, global platform for One Health advocates to educate about One Health and One Health challenges. While One Health events happening any time of the year can be registered to celebrate One Health Day, competing student led events must happen within a September 1 to November 30 window.

Today, the One Health Day Coordinating Team enthusiastically announces the winners of the 2017 One Health Day Student Events Competition. Competing groups had to meet a set of qualifying criteria and were required to submit a post-event summary. The One Health Day organizers were impressed with the work of the Student Event teams, and, based on an objective assessment, two teams are each being awarded a $2,000 prize. The winning 2017 One Health Day Student Event Competition teams are: the Makerere University One Health
Student Innovation Club, which organized a Rabies Vaccination and Awareness Campaign in Uganda, and Iowa One Health for organizing the second Iowa One Health Conference.

Prizes will be officially awarded during a live event at the 5th International One Health Congress, which will be held in Saskatoon, Canada, from 22 to 25 June 2018. The 2018 One Health Day Student competition will be launched in early April and will have a slightly different set of requirements.

A special word of thanks goes out to the One Health Day Student Event Judges for lending their names and expertise to this important endeavor:

- Prof. David Heymann, Chatham House, UK
- Prof. Linfa Wang, Duke-NUS Medical School, Singapore
- Prof. Tammi Krecek, Texas University
- Prof. Daniel Lucey, Georgetown University Medical Center (GUMC)
- Prof. Peter Rabinowitz, Center for One Health Research, University of Washington

More information about One Health Day is available online at www.onehealthday.org

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About One Health Day
One Health Day answers the urgent need for a One Health trans-disciplinary approach towards solving today’s critical global health challenges. It is a timely initiative that gives scientists and advocates a powerful voice for moving beyond current provincial approaches to emerging zoonotic infectious diseases, antimicrobial resistance, climate change, environmental pollution, food safety, comparative/ translational medicine and many other problems, to a holistic default way of doing business.
About One Health

One Health is a movement to forge co-equal, all-inclusive collaborations, in both research and applied sciences, between human and animal health arenas, chemical, engineering and social scientists, dentists, nurses, agriculturalists and food producers, wildlife and environmental health specialists and many other related disciplines, assembled under the One Health umbrella. As early as 2010 the World Bank recognized and published documentary evidence supporting benefits of a One Health approach in disease prevention, public health and global security.

Today, the One Health approach is being increasingly accepted by numerous major international organizations such as the World Medical Association (WMA), the World Veterinary Association (WVA), the World Health Organization (WHO), the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Many other supporting organizations can be found at [http://www.onehealthinitiative.com/supporters.php](http://www.onehealthinitiative.com/supporters.php)