



# The European Board of Veterinary Specialisation

## Flexible pathways to specialisation

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Umbrella Organisation that oversees

± 4.200 EBVS™ European Veterinary Specialists

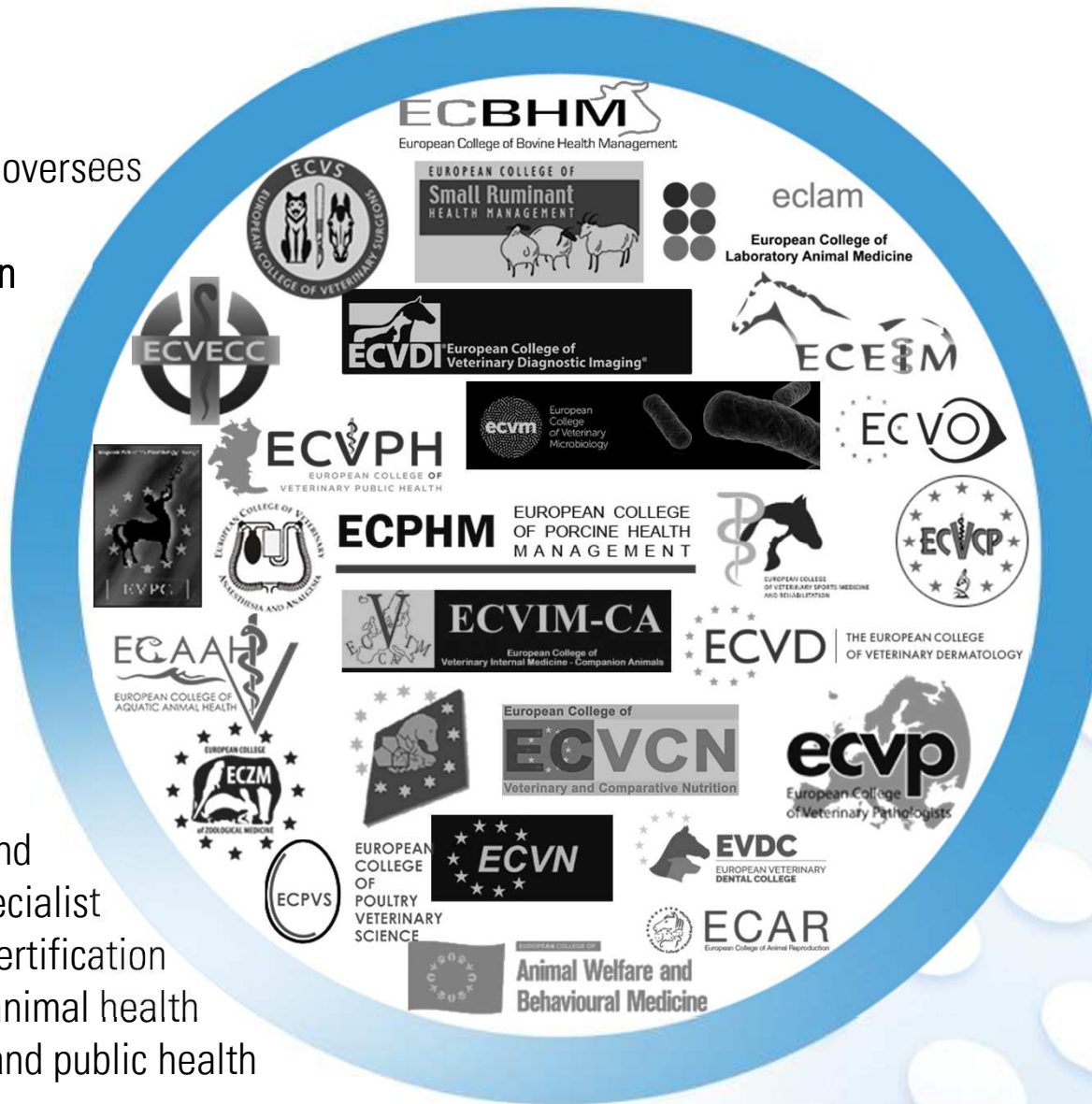
in 27 colleges

in 38 disciplines

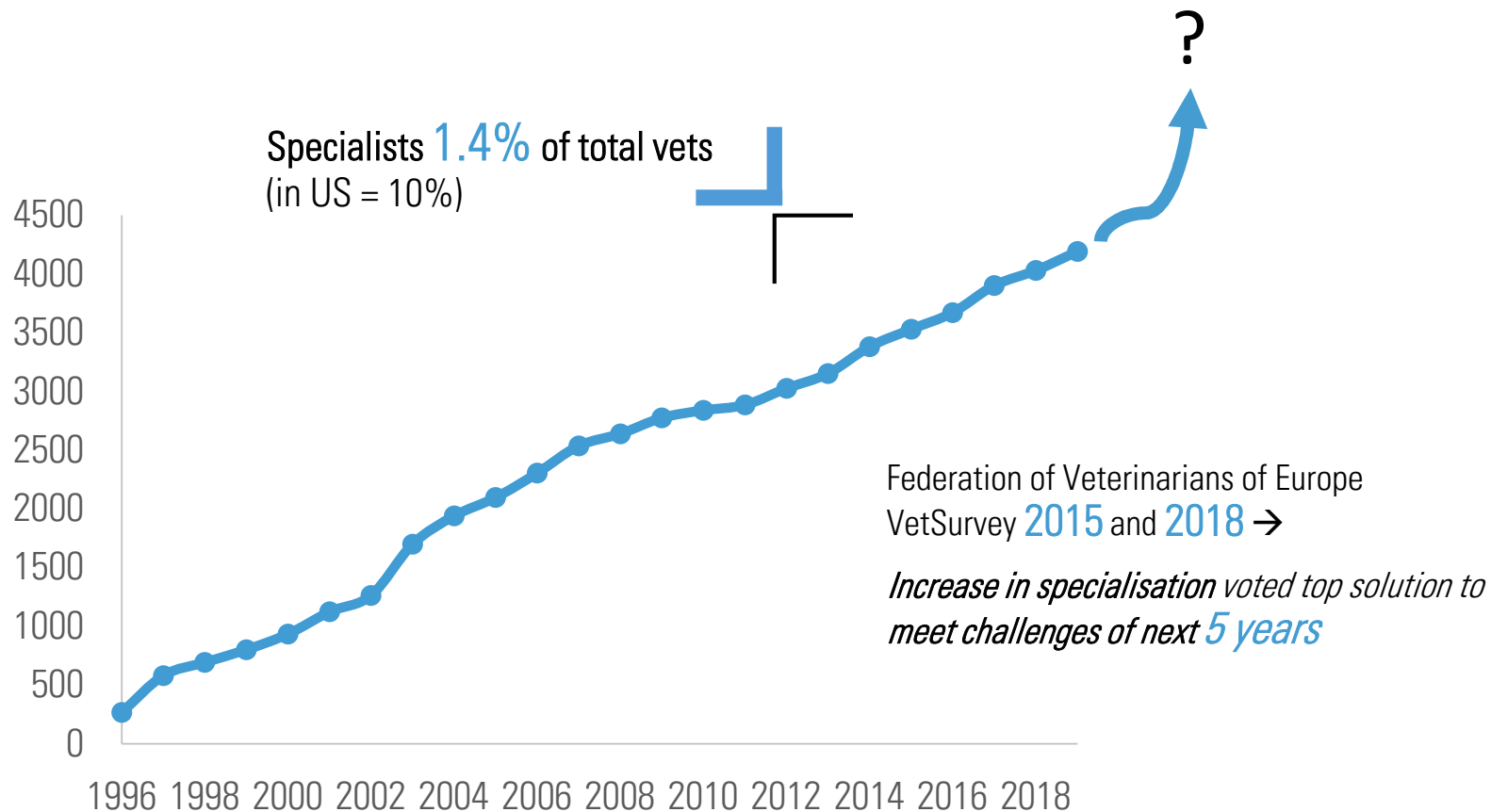
from 31 countries

working in 78 countries

Committed to leading and promoting veterinary specialist professional training and certification in Europe to advance animal health and wellbeing and public health



# Trends in Total Numbers of Specialists per Year



Total number of vets in Europe:  
**309.144**

Average increase of **180** specialists per year

Currently **1.461** residents in training

## Italy EBVS Specialists: 267

EBVS College	Number of Specialists	EBVS College	Number of Specialists	EBVS College	Number of Specialists
Pathology	40	Parasitology	13	Ophtamology	4
Behaviour/Welfare	22	Public Health	13	Comp Nutrition	4
Internal Med-CA	19	Surgery	9	Small Rum Health Man	3
Neurology	17	Poultry Vet Science	8	Dentistry	3
Zoo Medicine	16	Aquatic Animal Health	8	Sports Med/Rehab	3
Animal Reproduction	16	Porcine Health Man	7	Lab Animal	2
Clinical Pathology	15	Anaesthesia	6	Emergency/Critical	2
Dermatology	14	Bovine Health Man	5	Microbiology	1
Diagnostic Imaging	14	Pharmacology/Tox	5	Equine Int Med	0

## Addressing the gaps

- Much higher demand for specialists than colleges can currently meet
- Huge gap in Eastern Europe
- Current residency system too rigid
  - need to switch to a **credit system**
  - **recognition** of mid-tier (national) qualifications/experience to **reduce residency requirements**
  - **residencies** to become modular
  - more possibilities for **remote supervision?**
  - others?





Communications  
Committee

Selection  
Committee

Working Group on  
Flexible Pathways  
to Specialisation



National  
Representatives  
Committee

Working Group  
on Data Sharing  
and Best  
Practices

Governance  
and Code of  
Conduct  
Committee



Standards  
and Quality  
Assurance  
Committee

# Executive Committee

(President, Past-president,  
Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer)

## 27 Board members

(1 representative per college)

## Current approach

- Understand the barriers to providing residencies
  - Questionnaire
  - Participate? Contact [ceo@ebvs.eu](mailto:ceo@ebvs.eu)
- Speaking with European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS)
  - EACCME® credits for events and e-learning
- Detailed task analysis and mapping college curricula
- Digitalisation
  - Digital examination platform
  - New website
  - Media library





- We need to hear from you!
- Join the discussion and help us improve
- Talk to us during this meeting or when you get home

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Thank you!!!



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