worldwide are largely outdated and focus on a single species or breed of pet bird.

The book encompasses the history of bird keeping, common breeds of birds, their nutritional requirements, list of zoonotic diseases transmitted by birds and guideline for their prevention. It covers infectious, non-infectious clinical and metabolic diseases, and toxicity in detail with a special focus on the history of diseases, etiology, affected hosts, pathogenesis, clinical signs, diagnosis and treatment. Separate chapters detail relevant diagnostic techniques, management and care practices, including updated information.

The book offers an invaluable guide for students and teachers in the field of (avian) veterinary medicine, scientists/research scholars working in related fields, and avian medicine practitioners, as well as all those progressive bird owners who want to know the basics of their care and management.

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**Theme: Animal health and welfare, beyond the cliché**

The OIE has brought its major mission, improving animal health and welfare in a photo competition, whose aim is to visually and creatively show the crucial importance of the work done to protect animal health and welfare worldwide through the implementation of OIE International Standards, the crucial link between animal health and welfare, as well as the significance of these latter elements to face the challenges of the future, and preserve human health and ecosystems.

The winners of the 2017 OIE photo competition are therefore the photographers who best illustrate, both from an artistic and a descriptive point of view, the work carried out by animal health and welfare players, in particular by Veterinary services both in their public and private components, to protect animal health and promote animal welfare worldwide in the context of the OIE Standards’ implementation.

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