

Katja Görts DVM, CVA (IVAS), CVC (BackBone Academy), CVCH (WATCVM)

Katja Görts decided to become either a veterinarian or a farmer – at the age of four. Consequently, she went to Veterinary school in Hannover, Germany. She made first contact with holistic veterinary medicine during her first years in Veterinary school when she happened to volunteer in a practice that specialized in ear-acupuncture and homeopathy. Also, encouraged by some of her professors, she already started teaching undergraduate veterinary and biology students while still studying herself.

After graduation in 1999 she began working in the human pharmaceutical industry in different positions, such as Key Account Manager, Training Manager, and Medical Marketing Manager for almost ten years. Teaching, with a focus on Neurology and Ophthalmology, was a major part of her job.

During all that time Katja remained interested in holistic medicine and eventually decided to leave the industry to open her own practice in 2009. After becoming certified in Veterinary Chiropractic (BackBone Academy), she took the 2009/2010 GerVAS/IVAS Basic Acupuncture Course and became IVAS certified in 2014. She is a certified Kinesiology practitioner (WINGS®) and a certified Traditional Chinese Veterinary Herbalist (WATCVM). She currently attends a certification course in advanced Neuroacupuncture (CIVT).

Besides her practice that serves about 80% horses and 20% small animals, mainly dogs, teaching and lecturing in Germany as well as internationally at several basic courses, continuing education seminars, and conferences on various topics is one of her favorite things to do. She was GerVAS President from 2015 – 2019 and is a current IVAS House of Delegates (HOD) and Board of Directors (BOD) Member.

In her spare time Dr. Görts likes horseback riding and traveling. She lives in a rural area in northern Bavaria, Germany with her husband and two Border Terriers.