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## Phoenix Zones Initiative CEO Joins New One Health Journal as Senior Editor New International Journal Focuses on Health of People, Animals, and the Planet

March 2, 2022 (Albuquerque, NM) -- Dr. Hope Ferdowsian, co-founder and CEO of Phoenix Zones Initiative, a global nonprofit based in Albuquerque, New Mexico, has joined as <u>senior editor</u> for *CABI One Health*, a new international open access journal focused on the interconnected health of people, animals, and the planet.

The Centre for Agriculture and Bioscience International (CABI) is launching the *CABI One Health* journal to provide transdisciplinary coverage of One Health problems and challenges. One Health is a widely recognized collaborative and interdisciplinary approach that acknowledges the connections between people, animals, plants, and their shared environment, and the need to address those connections collectively to ensure the health and wellbeing of all.

"I'm honored and very excited for this opportunity to serve as a senior editor for this transdisciplinary journal," says Dr. Ferdowsian. "Phoenix Zones Initiative is committed to advancing the interconnected rights, health, and wellbeing of people, animals, and the planet through a Just One Health approach, which builds upon the One Health concept. By serving on the editorial board, this will embolden international efforts to push forward legal, economic, and public policies that benefit the most vulnerable and marginalized populations. I applaud CABI for creating this invaluable resource for the betterment of all humans, other animals, and the natural world on which we all depend."

In addition to the open access journal, CABI is also developing a curated collection real-life case studies, known as One Health Cases, and a One Health Knowledge Bank.

In a statement about the new journal, Jakob Zinsstag, editor-in-chief, said, "We are really excited to be launching this innovative and integrated suite of One Health Resources. We strongly believe that humans, animals, plants and their environments are intimately linked, and One Health principles demonstrate where these interconnections bring benefits to human and animal health and wellbeing, financial savings and a sustainable, healthy environment."

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Zinsstag stated that, "We've been joined in this endeavour by a global editorial and advisory board that covers human, animal, plant and environmental health, along with experts who bring a deeper understanding of their social, cultural and political dimensions. We are delighted to be part of a team of people who, while being leaders in their disciplines, are also open to engage in a truly interand transdisciplinary dialogue."

## About Dr. Hope Ferdowsian

Dr. Ferdowsian is president and CEO of Phoenix Zones Initiative and author of *Phoenix Zones: Where Strength Is Born and Resilience Lives.* For more than two decades, as a double board-certified internal medicine and preventive medicine physician, she has worked to address the interconnected rights, health, and wellbeing of human and nonhuman beings.

Dr. Ferdowsian's work across six continents has included collaboration with the Office of the Surgeon General of the United States and the development of medical, public health, and educational resources for nongovernmental organizations, national governments, and intergovernmental organizations such as the World Health Organization. She has also served as an invited expert for the United Nations High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development. Her work has been featured by *Scientific American*, the Huffington Post, the BBC, Voice of America, and other international media outlets. In 2017, she was named a Humanitarian of the Year in the American College of Physicians. She is also an associate professor at the University of New Mexico School of Medicine, a co-director of the Society for Asylum Medicine, and a medical expert for Physicians for Human Rights.

## About Phoenix Zones Initiative

Phoenix Zones Initiative is a global nonprofit organization that advances the interconnected rights, health, and wellbeing of people, animals, and the planet through education, research, and advocacy. Led by physicians and a diverse team, Phoenix Zones Initiative focuses on widespread ethical and structural change. Phoenix Zones Initiative advances social, economic, and environmental policy to uplift the most vulnerable and marginalized, including children and animals, and the organization also provides resources so that others can do the same. Follow Phoenix Zones Initiative on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube, and the Phoenix Zones Initiative website.

## About the Centre for Agriculture and Bioscience International

CABI is an international, intergovernmental, nonprofit organization that improves people's lives worldwide by providing information and applying scientific expertise to solve problems in agriculture and the environment. Its approach involves putting information, skills, and tools into people's hands. CABI's 49 Member Countries guide and influence their work, which is delivered by scientific staff based in their global network of centers.