

International horse movement in the Asia and Pacific Region

- Workshops in the Region 2014 and 2019 -

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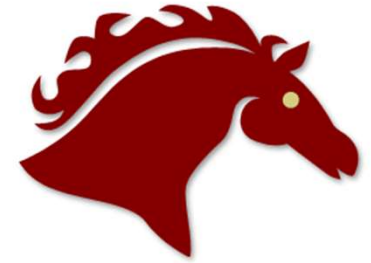
Background

- The collaboration between WOAH and FEI started at the Conference on international horse movement in Guadalajara, Mexico, in October 2011.
- It was formalised in 2012 and an Ad hoc Group was formed which met end of 2012 for the first time, followed by many other meetings
- The Ad hoc Group developed the WOAH principles that are today well known, such as EDFZ , HHP, diseases of importance for international horse movements, the Biosecurity Manual, and also looked at harmonising import health certificates at a global and regional level
- The Ad hoc Group also supported research projects which were identified by its members and WOAH member countries, e.g. AHS novel vaccines, glanders testing, dourine, EI, etc
- For the Asia and Pacific region, two events were of major importance:

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- Over 100 participants from the region: Veterinary Services, FEI and NFs , IFHA and national racing associations
- The Conference was preceded by a questionnaire survey on health certificates with all A&P countries – 21 replied
- A report on the analysis of the different conditions for importing horses was produced and presented:
 - 43 diseases for certification
 - 50% of countries only have a T certificate
 - Only 3 countries were T certificate has lesser requirements than P certificate
 - A number of diseases, however, were identified to be of top priority
- Other topics included:
 - Regulatory framework for horse movement
 - Collaboration between Veterinary Service and equestrian sports sector
 - Biosecurity and quarantine management
 - Implementation of the HHP concept
- Recommendations were formulated and the overall outcome summarised as:
 - Realised the increasing importance of equine industries and therefore the need for science based certification of equine diseases
 - Report of this meeting to be presented to the Regional Commission at the General Session in May 2014



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FINAL PROGRAMME

Tuesday, 18 February 2014		DAY 1
Time	Topic	Speaker
08:00–09:00	Registration of participants	
09:00–09:45	Official opening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FEI – HRH Princess Haya (video) IFHA & Hong Kong Jockey Club - Mr Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges, CEO OIE - Dr Bernard Vallat – Director General Hong Kong SAR Government - Dr Ko Wing Man, Secretary for Food and Health, Food and Health Bureau 	Representatives of host government, OIE, FEI and IFHA/HKJC <i>MOC: Kenneth Lam</i>
09:45–10:00	OIE policies, strategies and approaches to equine health and movement	OIE Director General
10:00–10:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	<i>Chair : Gardner Murray, OIE</i>
10:30–10:50	Objectives, approaches and expected outcomes of the meeting; Introduction to relevant OIE standards	Gardner Murray, OIE
10:50–11:35	Regulatory framework in selected Asian countries regarding international horse movement	Zhang Yanhai, China J.Hong Chang, Korea Thomas Sit, Hong Kong
11:35–11:55	Regulatory framework in the EU regarding international horse movement	Alf Fuessel, EU
11:55–12:15	FEI in Asia: its role and support to international sporting events	Nai Yue Ho, Chair of FEI Group VIII (Asia group)
12:15–12:40	The OIE proposal on facilitation of international horse movement	S. Münstermann, OIE
12:40–13:00	Plenary discussion	
13:00–14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Chair : Susanne Münstermann, OIE</i>
14:00–14:30	Presentation of the results from a questionnaire on current requirements for temporary horse importation in the countries of ASIA	S. Münstermann, OIE H. Kugita, OIE
14:30–15:00	Plenary discussion	
15:00–15:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
15:30–17:30	Workshop 1 (Group work) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Prioritisation of diseases for which common regulations/requirements should be established for temporary importation (for Government) * Collaboration between public and FEI/IFHA veterinarians (for FEI/IFHA participants) 	Facilitators
19:30	OIE Opening Diner: HKJC Happy Valley Clubhouse	

Wednesday, 19 February 2014		DAY 2
Time	Topic	Speaker
09:00-09:45	Report to plenary by rapporteurs of Workshop 1	Rapporteurs
09:45-10:00	Plenary discussion	<i>Moderator: Alf Füssel, EU</i>
10:00–10:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	<i>Chair: Hirofumi Kugita, OIE</i>
10:30–11:00	The FEI veterinary system and collaboration with government authorities The IFHA set-up and collaboration mechanism	G. Cooke, FEI HQ T. Kettle, IFHA
11:00-11:15	Quarantine Regulations in Hong Kong	K. Ho, Hong Kong
11:15-13:00	Workshop 2 (Group Work) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Identify ways to harmonise health certification to facilitate international temporary horse movement (for Government participants) * Biosecurity and quarantine management for FEI and race horses (for FEI / IFHA participants) 	Facilitators
13:00–14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00–16:00	Field visit: HKJC Quarantine station, veterinary hospital and horse stables	HKJC
19:00–21:00	HKJC Diner and visit to Races	

Thursday, 20 February 2014		DAY 3
Time	Topic	Speaker
09:00–09:45	Report to plenary by rapporteurs of Workshop 2	Facilitators
09:45-10:30	Plenary discussion	<i>Moderator: S. Münstermann</i>
10:30–11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>	<i>Chair: Michelle Yeung, AFCD</i>
11:00–11:20	The role of diagnostic laboratories in providing services for the equine industry	Dan Bi, Hong Kong
11:20–11:40	Challenges in transporting horses internationally, particularly from and within Asia, as perceived by a transporting agent	Chris Burke, Australia
11:40–12:00	IFHA & Racing' Perspectives on International Movement of Horses	Anthony Kettle, Dubai Racing
12:00–12:20	The proposed implementation scheme for the HHP concept	S. Münstermann, OIE
12:20–13:00	Discussion	
13:00–14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00–14:30	The way forward - Panel discussion	<i>Moderator: Gardner Murray, OIE</i>
14:30–15:00	Recommendations	
15:00–15:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
17:00	AFCD Closing Diner – Hong Kong Tram	



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- 60 participants from the three key partners Veterinary Services, FEI and NFs, Racing authorities. Additionally, the Customs authorities were also invited.
- Key topics:
 - Review and update of 2014 topics;
 - Customs procedures and their impact on international horse movement – from all perspectives
- The key partners each produced a « Roadmap »
- Key éléments of Veterinary Services Roadmap:
 - Harmonisation of health certificates in the region
 - Harmonisation of list of notifiable diseases with the WOAHA list
 - Understand the need for horse trade
 - Improve in-country equine disease reporting
 - Locate and register all competition horses in the country
 - Streamline quarantine / customs procedures





OIE - IHSC- Sub-Regional workshop in support of temporary international movements of competition horses

Hong Kong, 19-20 February 2019

The Millions, 3/F Happy Valley Stand, Happy Valley Racecourse, Wong Nai Chung Road, Happy Valley, Hong Kong

18 February 2019		
Time	Topic	
19:00-21:00	Welcome Reception	
19 February 2019		
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	Opening Session	
	Chair: Jack Huang	
07:30-08:20	Registration	
08:20-08:50	Welcome remarks by the hosting country Opening by OIE Regional Representative Opening by the FEI (movie)	
	L. Kong	H. Kugita
08:50-08:55	Objectives of the workshop (Phase I)	
	G. Akerström	
	First plenary session	
	Chair: R. Devolz	
08:55-09:00	Importance of the equestrian sports and racing in the region and potential benefits of facilitated safe temporary movements	
	A. Harding	J. Huang
09:00-09:15	Requirements for equine diseases notification to the OIE and situation in the region of equine diseases notifiable to the OIE	
	H. Kugita	
09:15-09:25	OIE tools to facilitate safe horse movements: equine disease free zones (EDFZ) and high health high performance (HHP) framework	
	W. Sakhraoui	
09:25-09:35	Perspective of Hong Kong on international horse movements	
	T. Sit	
09:35-09:45	Lessons learned from the establishment of an EDFZ in Conghua	
	K. Nam	
09:45-10:00	Discussions	
10:00-10:30	Group Photo & Coffee/Tea Break	
	Second plenary session	
	Chair: M. Yeung	
10:30-10:40	Introduction to the veterinary organisation in China	
	D. Liu	
10:40-10:50	Horse movement management in China	
	F.Q Lei	
10:50-11:00	Industry's capacities for safe horse movements: significant outcomes from the pre-workshop questionnaire and discussion on the priority issues to be addressed in the Regional Roadmap	
	G. Akerström	R. Devolz
11:00-11:05	FEI multipurpose system - microchip	
	G. Akerström	
11:05-11:20	Veterinary Services' capacities for safe horse movements: outcomes from the PVS evaluations conducted in the region and discussion on the priority issues to be addressed in the Regional Roadmap	
	H. Kugita	
11:20-11:40	Discussion – issues to be addressed in priority through the roadmap	
11:40-11:50	Concerns of the industry with respect to borders crossing	
	J. Huang	

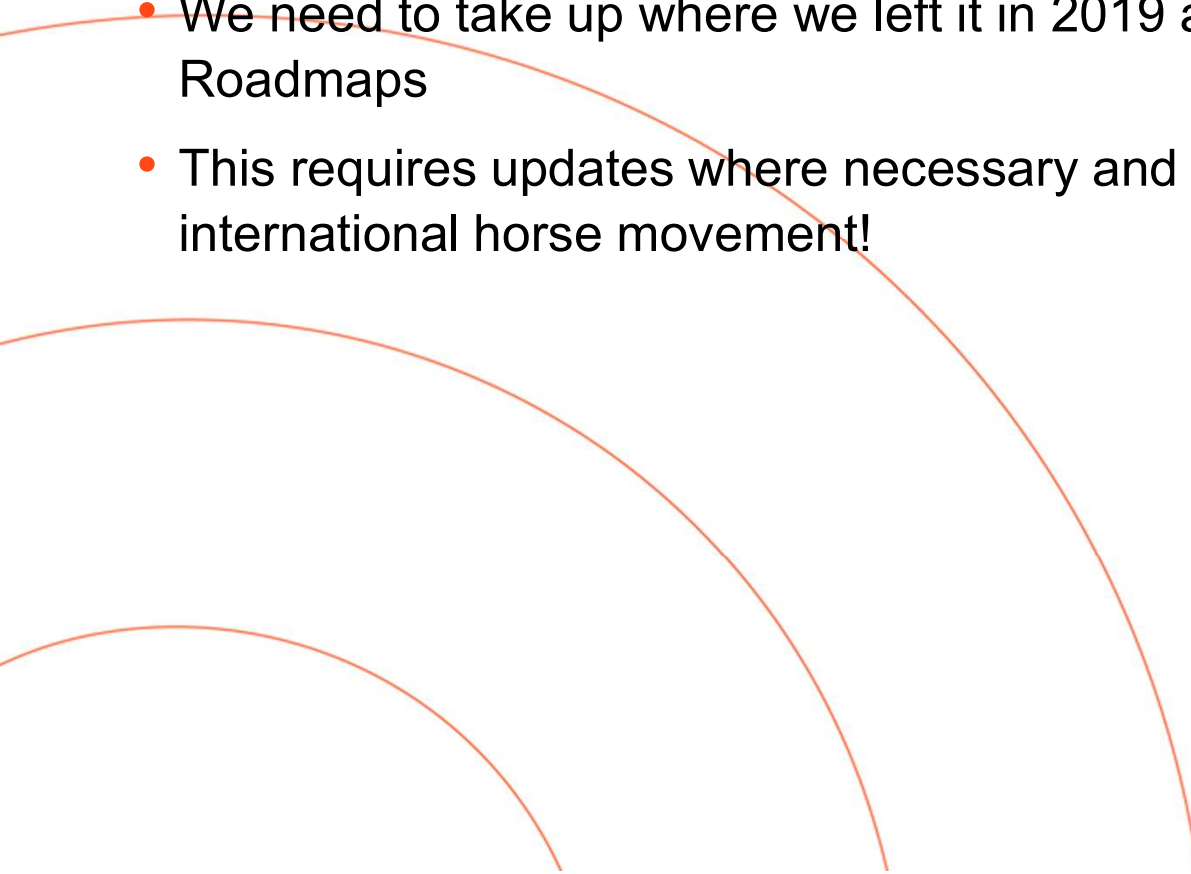


		R. Devolz
11:50-12:00	Concerns of veterinary authorities with respect to borders crossing	N.H Zulkifli
12:00-12:20	Discussion – issues related to borders crossing to be addressed in the Regional Roadmap	
12:20-14:00	Lunch	
14:00-14:10	Wrap up of the morning session: list of priority issues	
	G. Akerström	
14.10-14.15	Introduction of the afternoon session: Group work - methodology and objectives	
	G. Akerström	
14.15-15.30	Group work	
	Equestrian sport - Solutions to address the priority issues	Chairman and Rapporteur: J. Huang
	Racing – Solutions to address the priority issues	Chairman: T. Yamanaka Rapporteur: B. Low
	Veterinary Authorities – Solutions to address the priority issues	Chairman: M. Yeung Rapporteur: E. Wu
15.30-16.00	Coffee/Tea Break	
16.00-17.30	Group-work continuation	
17.30-17.40	Concerns of customs for safe and easy international movement and tools to be considered to facilitate borders crossing (e.g. ATA Carnet) (recorded presentation)	V. Filipova
17.40-18.00	Discussion with WCO (video conference)	
	V. Filipova	
19:00-21:00	Diner	
20 February 2019		
Time	Topic	
	Third plenary session	
	Chair: K. Lam	
09:00-09:30	Wrap up "Equestrian sport" – plenary presentation	
	J. Huang	
09:30-10:00	Wrap up "Racing" – plenary presentation	
	B. Low	
10:00-10:30	Wrap up "Veterinary Authorities" – plenary presentation	
	M. Yeung	
10:30-11:00	Coffee/Tea Break	
11:00-12:00	Discussion and way forward for the implementation of the Regional Roadmap, including roles and responsibilities, secretariat, regional monitoring	
	G. Akerström	
12:00-14:00	Lunch	
19:00-21:00	Night racing at Happy Valley Racecourse and dinner	

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Outlook

- A lot of work has already been done
 - Key topics of regional importance have been discussed during 2 Regional Conferences
 - We need to take up where we left it in 2019 and work towards implementation of the Roadmaps
 - This requires updates where necessary and revival for the enthusiasm for regional international horse movement!
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Thank you for your attention!



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