



2nd coordination meeting for the International Horse Movement project in Asia and the Pacific Region

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What does the FEI do?

International governing body of equestrian sport



- 136 affiliated National Federations
- 4000 events worldwide

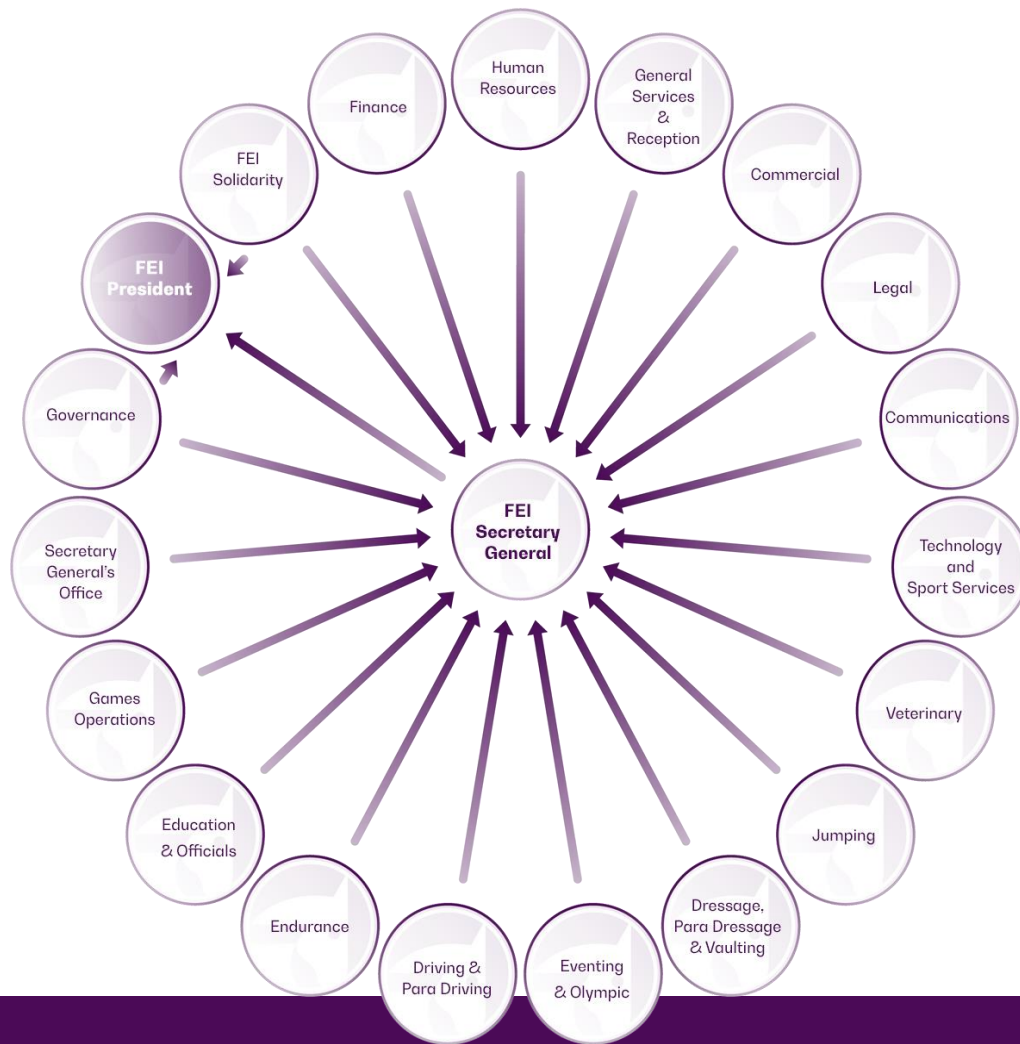
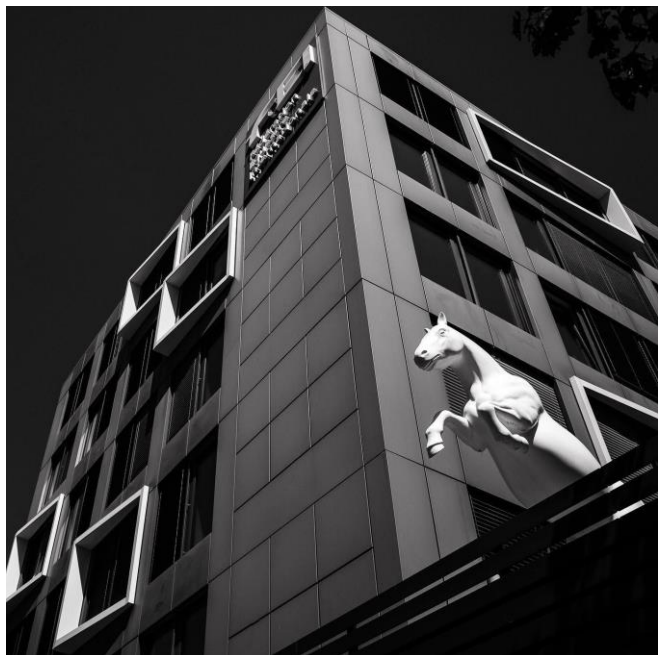
Role of the FEI

Ensure good governance of the sport

This encompasses important aspects:

- Ensuring the welfare of the Horse and the welfare of Athletes
- FEI Rules & Regulations
- FEI Calendar
- Ensuring the promotion, development and integrity of the values at heart of the global equestrian community.

FEI Headquarters



Veterinary

All horses participating in international equestrian events are managed under the FEI Veterinary Framework and Structure by enforcing the [FEI Veterinary Regulations](#).

These regulations require:

- Efficient and extensive Biosecurity practices
- FEI horses to be identifiable and traceable
- FEI registered horses to undergo regular veterinary controls
- FEI Official Veterinarians ensure the implementation of all Veterinary aspects during events

Liaising with National Veterinary Services

Facilitated international movement of high-level sport horses will enhance further development of equine industries, promote creation of employment and will very much increase the possibility of nations to participate in regional events and hosting events on their own territory.

FEI National Federations and their **National Head Veterinarians** have a fundamental role in ensuring coordination and improving cooperation with local Veterinary services.

National Head Veterinarian (NHV)

- be aware of equine infectious diseases within their country affecting international movement of competition Horses and provide the FEI Veterinary Department with information on equine communicable disease outbreaks of significance to competing sports Horses in their own country;
- liaise with their national veterinary authority and its officials and be aware of regulations governing the temporary importation and re-entry of Horses; be fully aware of and distribute any special measures that may apply to the international movement of FEI registered Horses that are issued by national governments or by the OIE

National Head Veterinarian (NHV)

- maintain communication with regional and international horse transporters;
- distribute information and educational material provided by the FEI to FEI Veterinarians, including FEI Veterinarian Courses, FEI Updates and any special communications received from their national governments, the OIE or other official bodies;
- promote the improvement of veterinary-related standards at FEI Events;
- provide suggestions as required, for consultations undertaken by the FEI Veterinary Department, such as proposals for regulatory changes, prohibited substances and other veterinary matters;

Official stakeholders

MOUs

Formalisation of relationships between the FEI and third party associations

The Stakeholders MOUs define the working relationship between both parties, their rights and obligations, and specify a common line of mutual cooperation.

MOU signatories – Continental Associations

EEF - European Equestrian Federation



PAEC - Pan-American Equestrian Confederation



ACES - African Confederation of Equestrian Sports



AEF - Asian Equestrian Federation



Other vehicles of cooperation

International Horse Sports Confederation (IHSC)

- co-founded in 2014 by the FEI and IFHA
- encourage cooperation and the exchange of information on all matters of mutual interest between the IFHA and the FEI, as well as representing the collective interests
- Public private partnership with WOHA

Questions



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