

# Structure of the FEI & Regional Group VIII

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# **Equestrian Experience**

- 2019 Elected FEI Vice President, Reelected 2022
- 2016 Elected Chair FEI Regional Group VIII (Asia Pacific), Re-elected 2020
- 2011 2016 Member FEI Audit & Compliance Committee
- 2007 2011 Asian Equestrian Federation
  Board Member
- 1998 2016 NF Volunteer serving as International Affairs Director
- Since 1993 Horse owner and amateur
  National show jumping rider



# **ABOUT THE FEI**



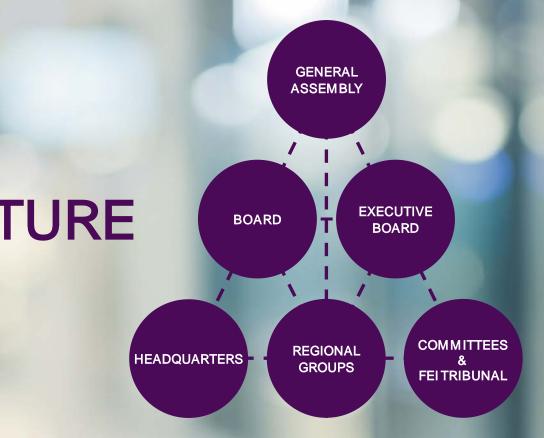
The FEI is the world governing body of equestrian sport, overseeing all international equestrian events in Olympic and non-Olympic disciplines.

The FEI promotes equestrianism in all its forms and encourages the development of the FEI equestrian disciplines throughout the world, keeping the welfare of the horse at the heart of all activities.

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FEI STRUCTURE



# FEI ORGANISATION - GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### 136+1 Member National Federations

- 1 NF 1 vote
- 1 meeting per year
- Approve membership
- Approve rules
- Approve accounts and budget
- Election of Board



# FEI ORGANISATION – FEI BOARD

### **Elected by General Assembly**

- 22 voting members
- 1 President
- 2 Vice Presidents
- 9 Technical Chairs
- 9 Regional Group Chairs

- 1 Athletes Representative Chair
- 1 Audit & Compliance Chair

- 2 meetings per year
- Monthly conference calls



# FEI BOARD - FUNCTIONS AND POWERS

- General Strategy and Sports Policy
- Implementation of Decisions General Assembly
- Agenda General Assembly
- Decisions that cannot await the General Assembly
- Appoint Members Committees
- Appoint Secretary General
- Approve Sport Rules for Series
- Allocation of Championships and Finals Series





## FEI ORGANISATION – EXECUTIVE BOARD

#### 6 voting members

- 1 President: Ingmar DeVos (BEL)
- 2 Vice Presidents: Jack Huang (TPE), Mark Samuel (CAN)
- 2 Members elected by the Board: (KSA), (GBR)
- 1 Athletes Representative: (IRL)

#### The role of the Executive Board shall be to:

- Implementation of decisions by FEI Board
- ii. Fulfil any mandate given to it by the Board
- iii. Take decisions between meetings of the Board





# FEI ORGANISATION - HEADQUARTERS

#### 17 Departments (>100 staff)

- President's Office
  - Governance and Executive Affairs
  - NF Liaison Office
  - Strategy
- Secretary General's Office
  - Calendar
  - Events
  - Nominations Committee
- Finance
- HR & Administration

- IT
- Commercial
- Legal
- Communications
- Jumping
- Dressage & Para Dressage, Reining, Vaulting
- Eventing & Olympics
- Endurance
- Driving
- Veterinary
- Games Operations
- Education and Officials
- FEI Solidarity

# FEI INDEPENDENT BODIES





# INTRODUCTION OF FEI REGIONAL GROUP VIII



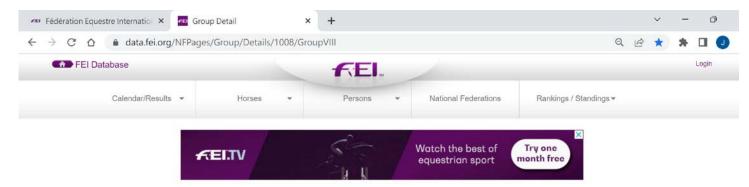
# FEI Regional Group VIII

 20 Member NFs and spanning Asia and Oceania Continents

Encompassing 65% of the world's population

Fastest growing region in the world in horse sport





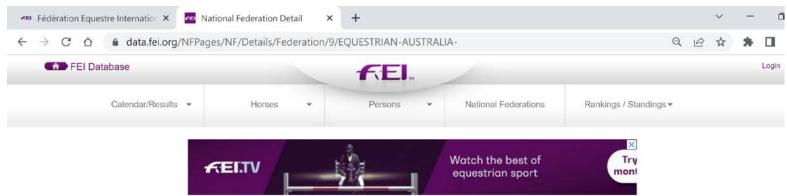
#### FEI REGIONAL GROUP - GROUP VIII





Flag	Name	NOC Code	Country	Events (2023)	Officials (2023)	Athletes (2023)	Horses (2023)	Affiliated
<b>M</b>	EQUESTRIAN AUSTRALIA	AUS	Australia	151	398	590	738	1951
-	CAMBODIAN EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION	CAM	Cambodia	0	0	0	0	2007
	CHINESE EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION	CHN	China (People's Republic of)	9	39	200	152	1983
会	HONG KONG EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION	HKG	Hong Kong, China	0	21	23	35	1978
	PP. PORDASI - THE INDONESIAN SPORTHORSE SOCIETY	INA	Indonesia	4	36	12	5	1975
-	EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION OF INDIA	IND	India	8	99	322	78	1971
•	JAPAN EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION	JPN	Japan	11	183	82	58	1921
(0)	KOREA EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION	KOR	Korea (Republic of)	1	16	14	7	1952
100	EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION OF MALAYSIA	MAS	Malaysia	6	74	76	71	1981
	MONGOLIA FEDERATION FOR TRADITIONAL AND SELECTIVE EQUESTRIAN SPORTS	MGL	Mongolia	0	0	0	0	2019
*	MYANMAR EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION	MYA	Myanmar	0	0	0	0	1996
-	NEPAL EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION	NEP	Nepal	0	0	0	0	2021
<b>M</b>	EQUESTRIAN SPORTS NEW ZEALAND	NZL	New Zealand	57	223	197	298	1951
C	EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION OF PAKISTAN	PAK	Pakistan	0	24	69	1	1982
	EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES	PHI	Philippines	0	4	6	1	1975
0	DPR KOREA EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION	PRK	Korea (Democratic People's Republic of)	0	0	0	0	2018
0	EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION OF SINGAPORE	SGP	Singapore	0	15	13	7	1975
163	SRI LANKA EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION	SRI	Sri Lanka	0	1	20	0	2004
	THAILAND EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION (TEF)	THA	Thailand	1	64	45	46	1983
(2)	CHINESE TAIPEI EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION	TPE	Chinese Taipei	0	9	14	1	1975





#### NATIONAL FEDERATION - AUSTRALIA - (AUS)





# Improving Horse Movement Coordination / Collaboration in the Group VIII Region



# Main Problems:

- Other than Australia and New Zealand, most coordination with the veterinary authorities are within the private sector, mostly on the Importation of horses.
- 2. Due to the market size and the lack of major international competitions, along with the cost and the complexity for some Island NFs to transport horses by air, there is little incentive for these NFs to foster a collaborative effort with National Veterinary Authorities to improve the current structure nor to seek help from the FEI.
- 3. How to enhance the role of the National Head Vet?



# Suggestions on Improving Relationships:

- Enhance communication channels: Develop a dedicated platform or network where the FEI, NFs' National Head Vets and Veterinary Services can easily communicate and exchange information. This can be in the form of a digital platform, email distribution lists, or regular meetings.
- Foster relationships: Encourage regular interaction between the National Head Vets and Veterinary Services in each country. This can be achieved through joint workshops or conferences where equestrian stakeholders and Veterinary Authorities can come together to discuss relevant topics, share knowledge, and build relationships.



# Suggestions on Improving Relationships:

- 3. Share best practices: Facilitate the sharing of best practices among countries. The FEI can collect and disseminate information about successful coordination mechanisms and initiatives from countries like Australia and New Zealand to other nations in the region. This will help inspire and guide the development of coordination mechanisms in other countries.
- 4. Provide more training and education: Organize training programs and workshops aimed at improving the understanding of HHP status of sport horses, biosecurity, and transportation among Veterinary Services. This can enhance their capacity to effectively support equestrian events and movement of horses.



# Suggestions on Improving Relationships:

- 5. FEI to continue to partner with WOAH to push to standardize protocols and documents related to horse movement, health checks, and quarantine requirements.
- 6. FEI to continue to promote High-level International competitions. Using lessons learned from temporary import/export of horses from Asian Games, Asian Championships and other high-profile competitions to establish permanent transport protocols within the region with the veterinary and customs authorities.
- 7. Enhance Public-Private-Partnership in the equestrian industry.



By implementing these strategies, the FEI and its NFs in the Group VIII region can strengthen their cooperation and coordination within Veterinary Services in the Asia Pacific region. This in return, will contribute to improved equine health, biosecurity, and the facilitation of horse movement for equestrian events.



# THANK YOU

