



FEI BUREAU MEETING

Montevideo (URU), 18 November 2017

The main decisions taken by the FEI Bureau at its in-person meeting today in Montevideo (URU) are summarised below:

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Olympic Games: Qualification & Quota

The FEI Olympic Discipline Chairs and Group Chairs advised the Bureau on areas for further discussion at the General Assembly on Olympic qualification and quota distribution, which will be discussed in detail in an open session on Monday 20 November, and voted on at the General Assembly the following day, Tuesday 21 November. Details of the proposed rules on Olympic qualification procedures and quota distribution for Tokyo 2020 are available [here](#).

Appointment of Technical Committee Members

The FEI Bureau confirmed the following appointments to the FEI Technical Committees for the four-year term 2017-2021:

FEI Veterinary Committee

Martha Misheff (USA) and Kirsten Neil (AUS) were appointed as members of the FEI Veterinary Committee replacing outgoing members Siraya Chunekamrai (THA) and William Dwight Hooten (USA).

FEI Medical Committee

Mark Hart (USA) was appointed as a member of the FEI Medical Committee replacing outgoing member Allen Sills (USA).

FEI Jumping Committee

Santiago Varela (ESP) was appointed as a member of the FEI Jumping Committee, replacing outgoing member Kamal Bahamdan (KSA)

FEI Dressage Committee

Andrew Gardner (GBR) was appointed as a member of the FEI Dressage Committee, replacing outgoing member Maribel Alonso (MEX).

FEI Eventing Committee

Philine Ganders-Meyer (GER) was appointed as a member of the FEI Eventing Committee, replacing outgoing member Marcin Konarski (POL).

FEI Driving Committee

Richard Papens (BEL) was appointed as a member of the FEI Driving Committee, replacing outgoing member Klaus Christ (GER).

FEI Reining Committee

Adam Heaton (GBR) 2017-2021, Troy Heikes (USA) 2017-2021, and Magdalena Szarszewska (POL) 2017-2018 were appointed as members of the FEI Reining Committee, replacing outgoing members Pete Kyle (USA), Pierre Ouellet (ITA) and Sue Baeck (BEL) who resigned her post. A draw, conducted by the Nominations Committee Chair Andrew Finding, was held to determine which terms the newly appointed members would serve.

FEI Para-Equestrian Dressage Committee

Katherine Lucheschi (ITA) was appointed as a member of the FEI Para-Equestrian Dressage Committee, replacing outgoing member Sue Cunningham (AUS).

Multi-disciplinary topics

The Bureau approved the FEI approval process for lower level series by FEI Headquarters. The document will be made available on the FEI website in due course.

FEI Officials Working Group report

The Chair of the FEI Officials Working Group updated the Bureau on the work of the Group this year, based on the 13 recommendations presented at the 2017 FEI Sports Forum. Highlights include the production of a Code of Conduct for Officials, the creation of the FEI Officials Development Fund to assist officials, where needed, to travel and work internationally to gain vital experience, and the e-learning opportunities now available via FEI Campus.

The work of the group will continue until the FEI Sports Forum 2018, where the final recommendations will be presented.

Jumping

The FEI Bureau approved clarifications and modifications to the World Cup™ Jumping rules 2017/2018, 2018 Longines FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping and the 2018 FEI World Jumping Challenge rules.

The Bureau also approved some minor alterations to the rules for the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy-

Modifications to the Global Champions Tour rules also received Bureau approval.

All rules will be published in due course on the FEI website [here](#).

Dressage, Para-Equestrian Dressage, Vaulting, Reining, Driving

The Chairs of the Technical Committees for Dressage, Para-Equestrian Dressage, Vaulting, Reining and Driving updated the Bureau on latest developments in their respective disciplines, the highlights of 2017 and plans for 2018.

Eventing

The Bureau approved minor modifications to the calendar and rules for the FEI Nations Cup™ Eventing 2018 series.

The Bureau also approved rules for the Event Rider Masters 2018 and the Tri Star Grand Slam of Eventing.

The proposed rules for the Africa Eventing Cup 2018/2019 requires some additional information to be provided and the Bureau mandated this final approval to come from FEI Headquarters.

All rules will be published in due course on the FEI website [here](#).

Endurance ESPG Report

The FEI Endurance Committee Chair presented the six-monthly Endurance Strategic Planning Group (ESPG) report to the Bureau which details the continued worldwide growth of the discipline and statistics on key performance indicators, highlighting the decline in penalty points in both Group VII and Group I as a positive trend.

The Chair also updated the Bureau on latest developments in the discipline and plans for 2018.

Veterinary

The Veterinary Committee Chair presented an overview of the full revision of the Veterinary Regulations to the Bureau. This complete revision, which has taken place during 2017, brings clarification, structure and proposed new rules and amendments, and will be voted on at the General Assembly.

Clean Sport

The Bureau approved the FEI Headquarters proposal for a revised Laboratory approval system and maintenance. The tender process is to be launched by the end of November 2017 for the appointment of the FEI Approved Laboratories, including the appointment of the Central Laboratory (currently LGC in the UK).

The FEI Approved Laboratory Advisory Group (FALAG) shall review the applications and make recommendations on the appointment, suspension and revocation of the FEI Approved Laboratories. This is an advisory expert group composed of a Chair (the FEI Veterinary Committee Chair) and three members: The FEI Veterinary Director, FEI Legal Director and an independent member of the Association of Official Racing Chemists (AORC). Other members may be appointed by the FEI Bureau from time to time.

The FALAG may appoint assessors to carry out on-site assessment, review documentation, and may arrange Proficiency Testing (PT) to be conducted. The FALAG may also appoint the members of an FEI Approved Laboratory Technical Group (FALTG), which is an expert group that supports the FALAG with technical expertise. Members of the FALTG may be appointed by the FALAG from time to time.

The FEI Bureau shall decide on the appointment, suspension or revocation of an FEI Approved Laboratory, taking into consideration the FALAG's recommendations.

FEI Regional Games

FEI Director Eventing & Olympic provided a report on the XXIX South East Asian Games 19-31 August 2017 (Jumping, dressage, endurance) in Kuala Lumpur (MAS), the V Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games Dates, 15-24 September 2017 (Jumping), Ashgabat (TKM) and the XVIII Bolivarian Games 17-22 November 2017 (Jumping and Dressage), Bogota (COL).

A positive update was also given on the forthcoming the XVIII Mediterranean Games, 4-7 July 2018 (Jumping), Tarragona (ESP), equestrian taking place in Barcelona (ESP).

FEI World Equestrian Games™ Tryon 2018

An update on the FEI World Equestrian Games™ 2018 was given to the FEI Bureau by Mark Bellissimo, creator of the Tryon International Equestrian Center in North Carolina (USA), which will host WEG 2018 from 11-23 September. A more detailed presentation will be made to National Federations at the General Assembly on 21 November.

FEI World Equestrian Games™ 2022

The FEI President will update the National Federations on the FEI World Equestrian Games™ 2022 at the General Assembly on 21 November.

Allocations of FEI Championship and Finals

The FEI Bureau made the following allocations:

FEI Championships and Finals 2018

Longines FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping Final 2018 – Barcelona (ESP) 4-7 October

FEI Championships and Finals 2019

FEI European Eventing Championship for Young Riders & Juniors 2019 - Maarsbergen (NED) - July-August (exact dates to be confirmed)

FEI Championships and Finals 2020

FEI World Vaulting Championship 2020 - Flyinge (SWE), 28 July–2 August

FEI Series allocations

FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy 2018

Final: Mechelen (BEL): 26-30 December

Qualifiers:

- Herning (DEN): 18-22 October
- Lyon* (FRA) 31 October – 4 November
- Stuttgart* (GER): dates TBC

FEI Youth Nations Cup™ 2018

Final:

- Paris Villepinte* (FRA): 23-25 November

Qualifiers:

- Opladebeek (BEL): 5-8 April
- Gorla Minore (ITA): 18–22 April
- Fontainebleau (FRA): 3-6 May
- Wierden* (NED): 30 May – 2 June
- Samorin (SVK) if Final not awarded: 2-5 August
- Ciekocinko* (POL): 30 Aug – 2 Sep
- Chevenez (SUI): 11-14 October
- Lamprechtshausen* (AUT): dates TBC
- Hagen* (GER): dates TBC

*Official allocation subject to signature of the Host Agreement

Olympic and Paralympic Games 2020

The Bureau was updated by FEI Director Eventing and Olympic on plans and progress for Tokyo 2020. Managing costs and reducing the complexity is key to 2020 and all efforts are being made to support the Organising Committee to do so in line with FEI regular requirements for its own Championships. The facility preparations for Tokyo 2020 are progressing well.

FEI General Assembly 2018

The 2018 FEI General Assembly will take place in Manama (Bahrain) in November 2018. Provisional dates are 16-20 November.