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FEI BUREAU MEETING

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

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Appointment of Technical Committee Members & Chairs

The FEI Bureau confirmed the following appointments to the FEI Technical Committees for the four-year term 2016-2020:

FEI Jumping Committee

Kazuya Hirayama (JPN) was appointed as a member of the FEI Jumping Committee, replacing outgoing member Stephan Ellenbruch (GER).

FEI Dressage Committee

George Williams (USA) was appointed as a member of the FEI Dressage Committee, replacing outgoing member Hans-Christian Matthiesen (DEN).

FEI Eventing Committee

Lars Christensson (SWE) was appointed as a member of the FEI Eventing Committee, replacing outgoing member Rüdiger Schwarz (GER).

FEI Driving Committee

Boyd Exell (AUS) was appointed as a member of the FEI Driving Committee, replacing outgoing member Mark Wenten (BEL).

FEI Endurance Committee

Stéphane Chazel (FRA) was appointed as a member of the FEI Endurance Committee, replacing outgoing member Khalid Ahmed Hasan (BRN).

FEI Vaulting Committee

Kai Vorberg (GER) was re-elected as a member of the FEI Vaulting Committee.

FEI Para-Equestrian Dressage Committee

Amanda Bond (GBR) was elected Chair of the FEI Para-Equestrian Dressage Committee, replacing outgoing Chair Ulf Wilken (SWE).

Hanneke Gerritsen (NED) was appointed as a member of the FEI Para-Equestrian Dressage Committee to take over the seat left vacant by Amanda Bond.

Jumping

The FEI Bureau approved clarifications and modifications to the rules for FEI Nations™ Cup Jumping 2017, FEI World Cup™ Jumping 2016/2017 and the FEI World Jumping Challenge 2017. All rules will be published on the FEI website [here](#).

The FEI Bureau also approved the FEI Jumping Committee's request for a Nations Ranking point system. This points system will be available to view [here](#).

The Bureau also approved the rules for the Youth FEI Nations Cup™ 2017 series for pony riders, Children, Juniors and Young Riders, the Baltica Future Stars Tour 2017 (for Young Horses) and the Baltica Riders Tour 2017. Details on these series will be available in the Jumping hub of the FEI's website [here](#).

Dressage

The FEI Bureau approved clarifications and modifications to the rules for FEI Nations™ Cup Dressage 2017 and FEI World Cup™ Dressage 2017/2018. All rules will be published on the FEI website [here](#).

Eventing

The FEI Bureau was presented with the Eventing Committee proposal on evolving the FEI World Equestrian Games™ format to be more inclusive and set the level of the Cross country at the same level as for the Olympic Games to ensure that all athletes and horses qualify at the same level as the Championship.

Eventing Risk Management Steering Group

The FEI Bureau was updated on the Eventing Risk Management Steering Group*, which has been set up to look at ways to minimise risk factors in Eventing. The Group will produce a list of recommendations for the FEI Eventing Committee by the end of February 2017. A Risk Management summit will also be held in February including National Safety Officers (NSO), Course Designers, Technical Delegates, Athletes and Coaches).

**See press release following the first meeting of the Eventing Risk Management Steering Group in October [here](#).*

Full details on risk management in Eventing are available [here](#).

The FEI Bureau also approved rule changes for the following series (calendars will be available [here](#)):

- FEI Classics™ 2016/2017: winning athlete must be present at the prize giving ceremony which takes place at the final event of the series in order to be awarded the prize money.
- FEI Nations Cup™ 2017: further to the additional events included in the series, the best eight results of the 10 legs in the series will be taken into account.
- Event Rider Masters (2017): allocation of wild cards per event in the series to Olympic gold medal winner or world champion during the last 10 years and, if not used, these wild cards will be utilised for developing nations; two further wild cards could also be distributed at the discretion of the Organising Committee; all combinations must have achieved the necessary qualification requirements.
- Tri Star Eventing Grand Slam (2017): as one less event will be organised in 2017, the £50,000 prize money will be awarded to the athlete winning 3 out of 4 events (instead of 3 out of 5 events in 2016).
- Africa Eventing Cup (2017): at least one official should be appointed by the FEI Solidarity programme to ensure a set standard across the events in the series.

Driving, Endurance, Vaulting and Reining

The Chairs of the Technical Committees for Driving, Endurance, Vaulting and Reining updated the Bureau on latest developments in their respective disciplines, the highlights of 2016 and plans for 2017.

Veterinary Matters

The Chair of the Veterinary Committee updated the FEI Bureau on international horse movement, horse welfare, supporting FEI Officials and education.

The FEI Bureau was also updated on the latest research being undertaken in the Global Endurance Injuries Surveillance project, as well as into disease, footing, detection times and climatic assessments for Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Clean Sport

The Bureau was updated on the Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Programme (EADCMP), and the worldwide roll-out which has been progressively implemented during 2016 to harmonise the programme on a global scale. Testing is conducted at all levels of events, and the events and number of horses tested is determined by the FEI Veterinary Department in liaison with the National Head Veterinarians, partly based on risk assessment.

Additional educational needs for Testing Technicians, Testing Veterinarians and Veterinary Delegates outside Groups I and II have been identified and will be met in 2017, alongside establishing the most efficient system of sending testing kits to FEI Veterinary Delegates worldwide.

Full information on the EADCMP can be found [here](#).

Commercial Update

The FEI Bureau was updated on developments for FEI TV, the FEI's digital video platform, sponsorship sales, digital partnerships and the FEI's popular new fan site on www.fei.org.