FEI SOLIDARITY

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FEI Solidarity Activity Report
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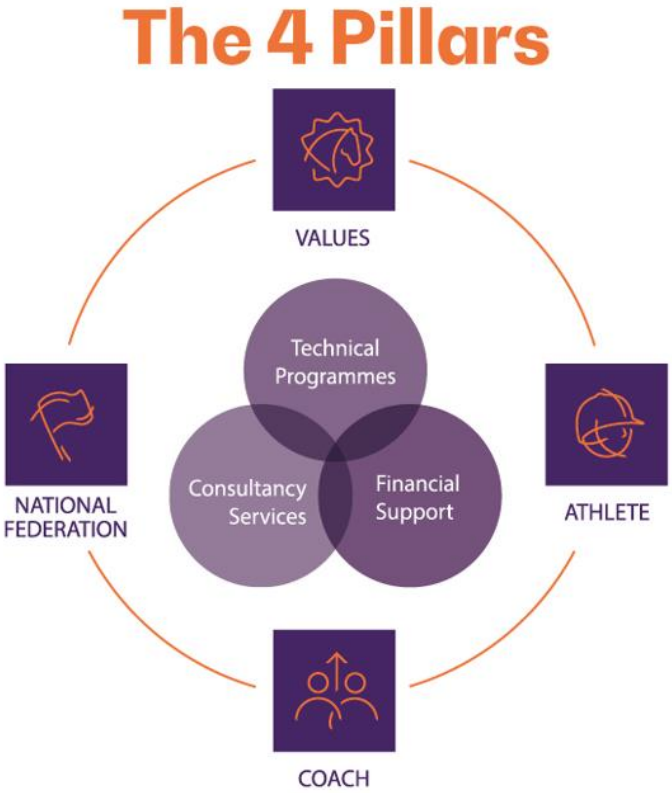
The FEI Solidarity Programme 2020



The whole 2020 FEI Solidarity activities have been severely impacted by the coronavirus pandemic.

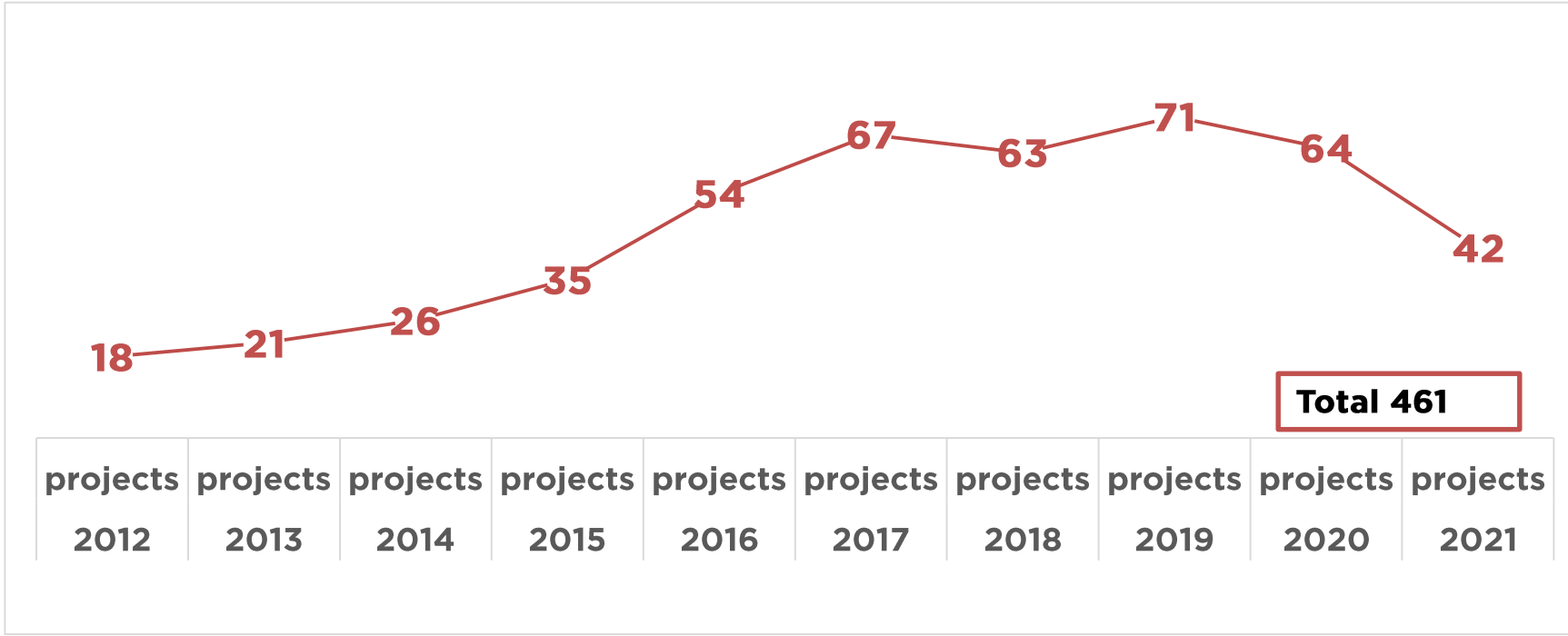
Consequently, the FEI Solidarity Department had to take rapidly some initiatives to avoid having foreign Technical Experts locked down in a foreign country, while delivering education.

Covid-19 impact on FEI Solidarity Programme

- **Beginning of March**, FEI Solidarity recommended its NFs and all Technical Experts to put on hold delivery of FEI Solidarity projects with a foreign Technical Expert until end of April.
- **End of April**, FEI Solidarity confirmed that the situation was unchanged and recommendations remained valid.
- **End of May**, FEI Solidarity informed that all projects allocated in 2020 which would not be carried out would automatically be transferred to 2021.

As a result, it was requested that all NFs when applying for 2021 assistance, take into account any projects "on standby" as part of the maximum quota of 3 projects applications per NF per year.

NFs Projects 2012-2020 – Overview

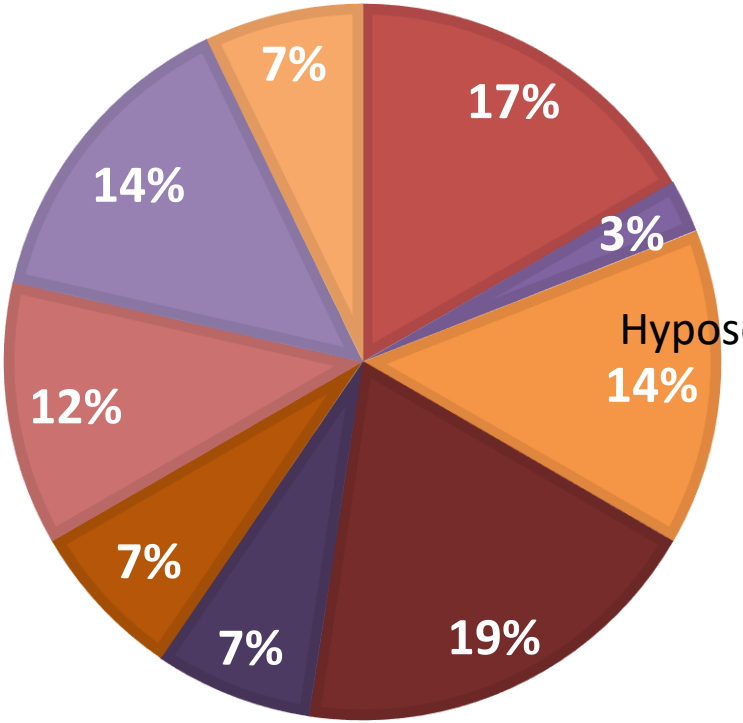


Remaining ongoing NFs Projects

2016 - 2019				
2016	NFs projects	54	Remaining	4
2017	NFs projects	67	Remaining	9
2018	NFs projects	63	Remaining	25
2019	NFs projects	71	Remaining	36
	Total	**255**	**Total remaining**	**74**

2020				
2020	NFs projects	64	Started 1.1.2020	9

42 NFs Projects approved for 2021



- Athletes training - 17%
- Coach Scholarship - 3%
- NF Structures & Systems - 14%
- ESEEs - 19%
- Poney club systems - 7%
- Governance & Administration - 7%
- Farriers training - 12%
- Grooms training - 14%
- School programmes - 7%

Hyposensitivity project

Equestrian Sports Educative Events

In 2020, a total of **41 ESEEs** where planned to take place involving **33 NFs**

#ESEEs planned in 2020	#ESEEs organized since January 2020	#ESEEs postponed to 2021
41	**2**	**39**

FEI Groups	33 NFs involved in ESEEs in 2020
Group EEF	ESP, LAT, SLO, UKR
Group III	IRI, KAZ, KGZ, UZB,
Group IV	HAI
Group V	COL, ESA, MEX, PAN, PUR, VEN
Group VI	BRA, ECU, PAR, PER
Group VII	LBN
Group VIII	CHN, HKG, PHI, THA, PRK
Group IX	BOT, ETH, KEN, MRI, NAM, RSA, ZAM, ZIM

NFs Round Up

BOT: Scholarship for Coach in Endurance. Mr Seeiso Maine from Botswana spent one month at Cécile Miletto-Mosti & Laurent Mosti Endurance stable in South of France.

COL: A successful Vaulting Workshop for Latin American NFs was organised in Colombia in January. Moreover, in order to continue developing the Para-Dressage Discipline in Covid-19 situation, the **NF re-organised** the delivery of a **Para-Dressage course** for Coaches, Classifiers, Judges, Therapists, etc., via **Instagram** live sessions.

RUS: Development of a national coach education structure. The phase of identification of Coach Educators/Developers in Moscow and St Petersburg has been achieved under the consultancy services of the FEI Development Officer in February 2020.

NFs Round Up (cont.)

ACES – African Confederation for Equestrian Sports:

The aim of this project in 3 phases was to target a Team medal for Africa at the YOG 2022 in Dakar, Senegal:

- Phase 1 - Athletes' Talent Identification
- Phase 2 - Athletes' Selection/Qualification
- Phase 3 - Team Preparation

Talent Identification sessions took place in Algeria, Tunisia, Senegal, Mauritius, Namibia and Eswatini. It will continue as soon as Covid-19 situation allows.

After the postponement of the YOG 2022 to 2026, an FEI Youth Jumping Competition 2022 will be organised as a replacement event.

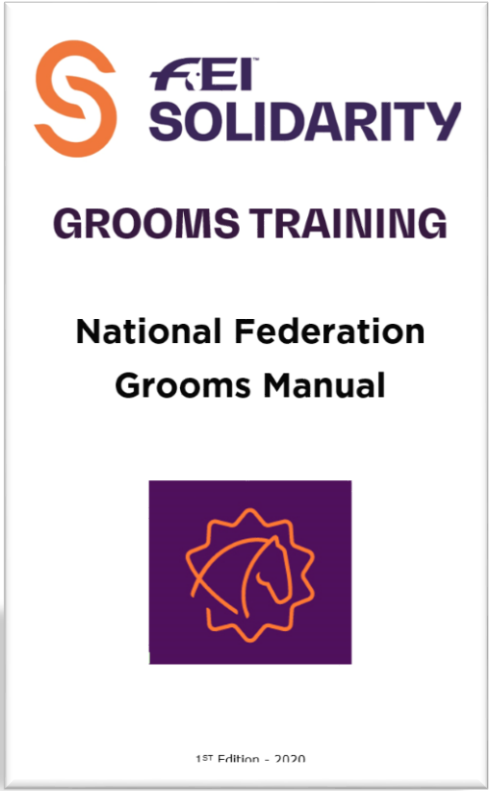
! The ACES project will go on as planned !

Horse Welfare – Farriers & Grooms 2020

All the FARRIERS & GROOMS' courses 2020 have been postponed to 2021.

It was the occasion to **review and unify the courses for Grooms** delivered in emerging countries.

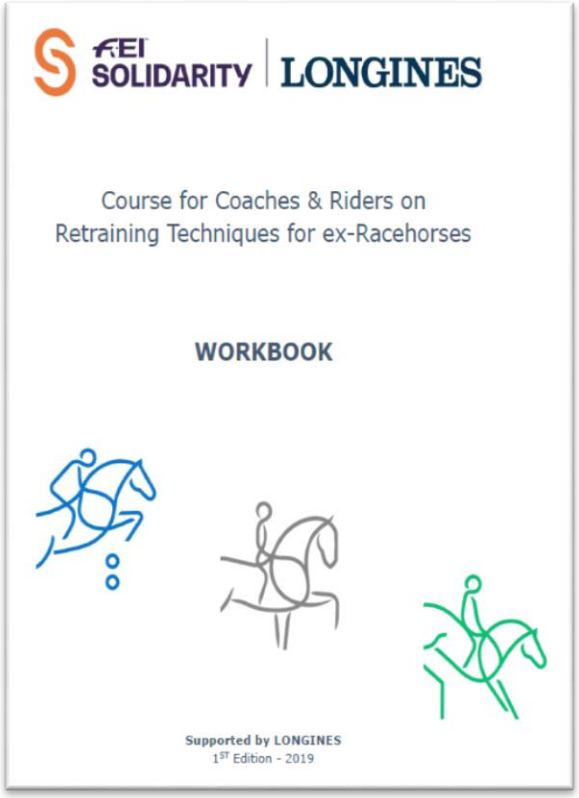
Susanne Macken (IRL) **Anthony Lowry** (SGP/IRL) and **Valeria Ariza** (URU), have worked on a **common material** which includes, among others, videos as well as the Horsemanship online module available on FEI CAMPUS.



FEI Solidarity Retraining of Racehorses in partnership with Longines

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and to the outbreak of AHS in South East Asia, only 3 courses have been delivered in Malaysia and the same courses in Indonesia are scheduled for December 2020.

Moreover, as a consequence of the pandemic on racing activities, there are racehorses for retraining on the market at smaller prices.



FEI Development Officer

ACTIVITY PLAN 2020		
NF/other	**Type of Missions**	**Objectives**
Russia	Coach Education	Consultancy services with NF on the development of a national coach education system in Russia
Balkan NFs	Visio Workshop	NFs Role, Mission and Responsibility – Pilot project
FEI Group VI	Visio Workshop	NFs Role, Mission and Responsibility – Pilot project
Group of Master Coaches	Visio Workshop	National Head Coach – Ongoing Education – Pilot project
FEI Eventing Committee	Consulting	Development of an FEI Eventing World Challenge format

FEI Coach Education Programme – Overview

NF	Date	Discipline	
FIN	Oct. 2019	Vaulting	Tutors Course + FEI Level 2 pilot course
FRA	Feb. 2020	Para-Dressage	Tutors' Course + finalization of material
RUS	Feb. 2020	Olympic disc.	Introduction to Coaching
MAS	Aug. 2020	Olympic disc.	Introduction to Coaching
TUR	Sept. 2020	Endurance	Level 1 Courses (2)

Virtual Continuous Education for Coach Educators (Tutors) involved in the FEI Coach Education Programme to be delivered in November and December 2020:

- All Tutors (1 generic session)
- Olympic disciplines (2 sessions)
- Vaulting (1 session)
- Endurance (1 session)

FEI World Challenge Series

In order for the Challenges Series (Jumping, Dressage, Vaulting) to be organised in 2020, an exemption from the requirement of the **Foreign Judge** has been approved.

This exemption allows NFs with FEI Judges (min. Level 2) in the country to host the Series once activities resume.

FEI World Challenge Series – Calendar 2020

In **JUMPING, DRESSAGE** and **VAULTING,** taking into account the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic the overview of the calendar at this time is as follow:

Total Shows Still scheduled in 2020	**Shows ORGANISED** since Jan 2020	**Shows POSTPONED** since March 2020 (no new dates)	**Shows SCHEDULED** between Sep & Dec 2020	**Shows ANNOUNCED** in 2019 without set dates (TBC)	**Shows definitely CANCELLED**
119	**12**	**39**	**45**	**23**	**6**
38	**0**	**16**	**19**	**3**	**2**
8	**1**	**3**	**2**	**2**	**2**

FEI Jumping World Challenge FINAL

- As result of the pandemic the FEI Board decided to cancel the **2020 FEI Jumping World Challenge Final** due to take place in Indonesia.

- **Certificates** have been sent out to the 19 Athletes qualified to take part in the Final (best two Athletes per Regional Zone, based on the 2019 Regional Rankings).

- The NF of Senegal who was planning to host this competition as their test event in view of the 2022 YOG, have finally withdrawn their candidacy to the organisation of the **Final in 2021**.

- The FEI is looking for a new organiser.

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Specific Initiatives/Projects

FEI Regional Development Officer

The recruitment of a Regional Development Officer for ASIA with particular focus on China has been achieved.

Mr Camille Martin (FRA) has spent one week at the FEI HQ beginning of July to be introduced to the FEI Solidarity Programme and to elaborate the Chinese National Development Plan (NDP).

The start of his activities is now linked to the Covid-19 pandemic evolution in the world.

Gender Equality in Equestrian Sport

In line with the recommendations of the United Nations and with the FEI values, a Gender Equality Grant of CHF 20'000.- per year has been created to reward the best NF Gender Equality project among those presented to FEI Solidarity by the NFs.

This includes, but is not limited to, programmes in relation to Governance and Administration, Athletes participation, Coaches, Officials, Grooms, Farriers, etc.

4 NFs presented a bid: CHI, CRC, ISR, ITA

! The winner of the 2020 contest is Costa Rica !

FEI Covid-19 Relief Fund

In view of helping National Federations that have been seriously affected by the ongoing pandemic, a specific financial support plan was presented to the FEI Solidarity Committee by the FEI President and Chair of this Committee during its annual meeting.

The **FEI Covid-19 Relief Fund** of CHF 1'050'000.- was then approved by the FEI Board on 10 September 2020 with the aim to help preferably at the bottom of the pyramid (lower-amateur level / club activity) in order to save the equestrian community activities/industry.

A grant of **CHF 10'000.- per NF** has been approved based on a list of 105 NFs identified.

Thank you