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## FEI AWARDS 2024

The FEI General Assembly 2024 came to a closing with its traditional FEI Awards Gala presented by Longines. The glamorous evening, which took place at the Park Hyatt Abu Dhabi Hotel and Villas on Saadiyat Island, revealed homegrown and international superstars as winners of the prestigious FEI Awards trophy.

Local Jumping sensation Omar Abdul Aziz Al Marzooqi (UAE) claimed the Longines FEI Rising Star Award, honouring athletes aged 14 to 21 who show outstanding equestrian talent. The second award of the night went to Olympic Jumping champion Christian Kukuk (GER), who received the Peden Bloodstock FEI Best Athlete Award from the sponsor's Managing Director, Martin Atock. Bettina Cardinael (FRA) was crowned Cavalor FEI Best Groom, an award that honours the unsung heroes of equestrian sport who work behind-the-scenes. For the final award of the evening, the Namibian Equestrian Federation (NAMEF) received the FEI Inspire Award, for its development programme 'Enabling Through the Horse'.

Discover the highlights of the evening and the stories behind our winners on the dedicated **FEI Awards** hub.

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## IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FEI MEASURING DEVICE AT FEI EVENTS POSTPONED

The implementation of the FEI Measuring Device in FEI Events, initially planned for 1 January 2025, has been postponed to 1 May 2025, following approval at the FEI General Assembly in Abu Dhabi (UAE) in November 2024.

The postponement of the implementation was agreed upon to allow additional time to educate the FEI Officials as well as the FEI community, and to account for a slight delay in the delivery of the FEI Measuring Devices.

As soon as the FEI Measuring Device is available for distribution, the FEI will inform the FEI Officials and the wider community accordingly. FEI Stewards will be entitled to one device free of charge.



The FEI Measuring Device, designed by the FEI in collaboration with external experts, is a pass-through tool that is inserted under the noseband, over the nasal bone, and drawn through from top to bottom. The test is quick and straightforward, taking just a matter of seconds to complete.

If the device passes through, the noseband is loose enough. However, if the device cannot pass through easily, the noseband is considered too tight and the consequences outlined in Art. 1044.8 of the **FEI Veterinary Regulations** will apply.

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## FEI PARA EQUESTRIAN FORUM 2025

We are pleased to announce that, with the collaboration of the GBR National Federation and the Para Equestrian Technical Committee, the **FEI Para Equestrian Forum** will be held in-person from **25-26 February 2025**, at the Belfry Hotel near Birmingham (GBR). The Forum will be open to all Para Equestrian stakeholders, Athletes, Officials, Coaches, NF representatives.

The Para Equestrian Technical Committee will be hosting the Forum to discuss topics such as the Para Dressage Strategy, IPC Classification Code Review, Intentional Misrepresentation, Social Licence to Operate and more. The Forum will also be an opportunity to share ideas with Para Dressage stakeholders in advance of the Full Rules Revision cycle which will happen in 2026 for implementation on 1 January 2027.

Registrations for the Forum will open on 6 December, with the registration link on the **Para Equestrian Forum page**. The deadline to register participants is Monday 27 January. Please feel free to share this amongst the Para Equestrian community. The registration portal includes information on booking the hotel and shuttles. The page will be updated in due time with further information on the agenda.

Prior to the Para Equestrian Forum, an in-person Classifier Seminar and Level 4 Para Dressage Judges Seminar will be held from 23-24 February at the same venue. The seminars have been published in the **FEI Course Calendar** and registrations have to be made by the National Federation directly in the FEI Course Calendar. We encourage participants from the seminar to remain for the Forum to maximise discussions.

To bring the week to an end, the Para Equestrian Technical Committee will hold their annual in-person meeting, to go through all of the topics raised during the Forum.

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## FEI VAULTING FORUM 2025

We would like to remind you that the next **Online Vaulting Forum** will be held on **7 February 2025** (from 15:00 to 18:00 CET). The forum is open to the entire Vaulting Community and registrations can be made directly in the **FEI Course Calendar** through the National Federation. Please note that the application deadline is on **24 January 2025**.

The Forum will focus on the FEI Vaulting Rules and Guidelines changes for 2025, the CoH (Consideration of the Horse) score as well as the future of the discipline.

Should you have any questions regarding the Forum or the registrations, please contact the **Vaulting Department**.

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## FEI VAULTING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025

We are excited to inform you that the ticket sales for the FEI World Vaulting Championships for Young Vaulters & Juniors and the FEI European Vaulting Championship for Seniors, taking place in Stadl Paura (AUT) from 30 July to 3 August 2025, are now available.

Secure your tickets right **here**.

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## FEI DIRECTORY

### Updates to the FEI Database

Monthly summary on the key changes/updates in the FEI Database with regards to the FEI's member National Federations. All details can be found on the FEI Database by clicking on each NF's name listed below:

#### **BOT - THE HORSE SOCIETY OF BOTSWANA**

The NF has updated their postal address, email and phone number.

#### **CRC - FEDERACIÓN ECUESTRE DE COSTA RICA**

The NF has updated their phone number.

#### **EGY - EGYPTIAN EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION (EEF)**

Mr Ismail SHAKER has been elected as President.

#### **GEO - NATIONAL EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION OF GEORGIA**

Ms Mariam GACHECHILADZE has been elected as new Secretary General.

#### **GER - DEUTSCHE REITERLICHE VEREINIGUNG**

Mr Martin RICHENHAGEN has been elected as President.

**GRE - HELLENIC EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION**

Mr Nikolaos CHARTZIS has been elected as Secretary General.

**JAM - EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION OF JAMAICA**

The NF has updated their postal address.

**POL - FEDERATION EQUESTRE POLONAISE**

Mr Tomasz SIERGIEJ has been elected as President.

**SWZ - EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION OF ESWATINI**

Ms Kerry DEAKIN has been elected as Secretary General.

**UZB - HORSE BREEDING AND EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION OF UZBEKISTAN**

The NF has updated their postal address and their website.

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