FEI SIGNS UN SPORTS FOR CLIMATE ACTION FRAMEWORK

The FEI has signed the United Nations Sports for Climate Action Framework this week in Lausanne (SUI).

The Framework was created by representatives of the global sports industry led by the IOC and the UN Climate Change secretariat and was launched in December 2018 during the UN Climate Change Conference (COP 24) in Katowice (POL).

It aims to bring together sports organisations, teams, athletes and fans in a concerted effort to raise awareness and action to meet the goals of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Paris Agreement.

In doing so the FEI has committed to implementing the following five principles:

Principle 1: Undertake systematic efforts to promote greater environmental responsibility;

Principle 2: Reduce overall climate impact;

Principle 3: Educate for climate action;

Principle 4: Promote sustainable and responsible consumption;
Principle 5: Advocate for climate action through communication.

PARA EQUESTRIAN FORUM 2019

Over 70 participants representing 23 National Federations attended the FEI Para Equestrian Forum 2019 in Lamotte-Beuvron (FRA) from 25-26 May, where a number of key topics were presented, discussed and debated.

The Forum, which was hosted by the Fédération Française d’Equitation (FFE), was opened by their Secretary General Frédéric Bouix followed by Paralympic athlete Rodolpho Riskalla from Brazil, setting the scene and tone for productive discussions and meetings throughout the weekend.

Moderated by FEI Para Equestrian Committee Chair Amanda Bond, some of the key topics explored during the Forum were: Classification and the FEI’s Classification Research Project; Tokyo 2020 preparations and climate mitigation; Athlete Welfare and Safeguarding; Coaching from grass roots to International level; Compensating Aids; Para Driving; and an update on FEI Education for Officials. Interactive workshops on the FEI Competition structure, the development of the sport at all levels, in new nations and specifically for the youth demographic were also held.

A more detailed report as well as all the documents and presentations relating to the Para Equestrian Forum will be published here in the following weeks.