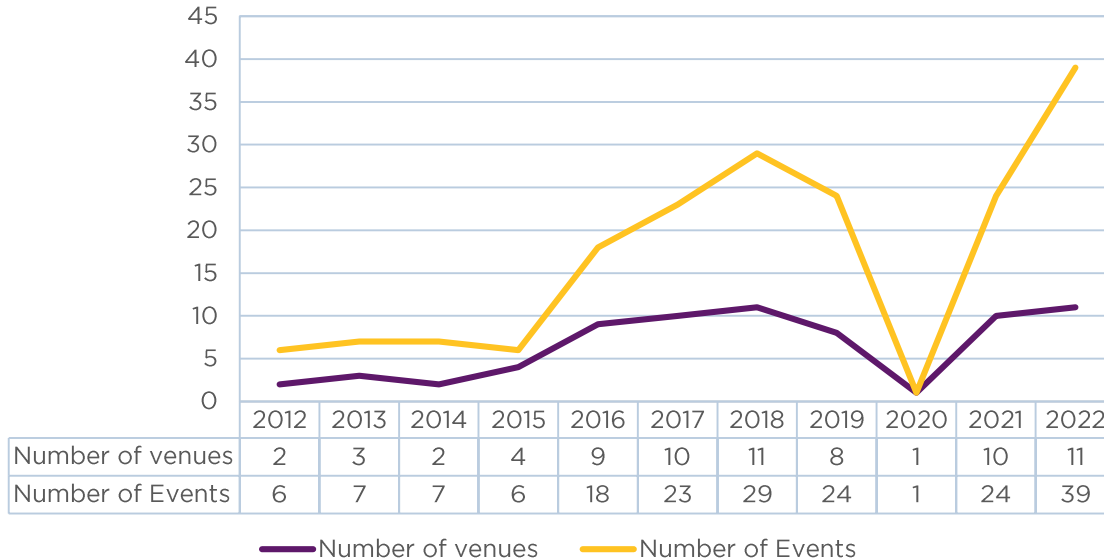


FEI Driving Youth Cup Project



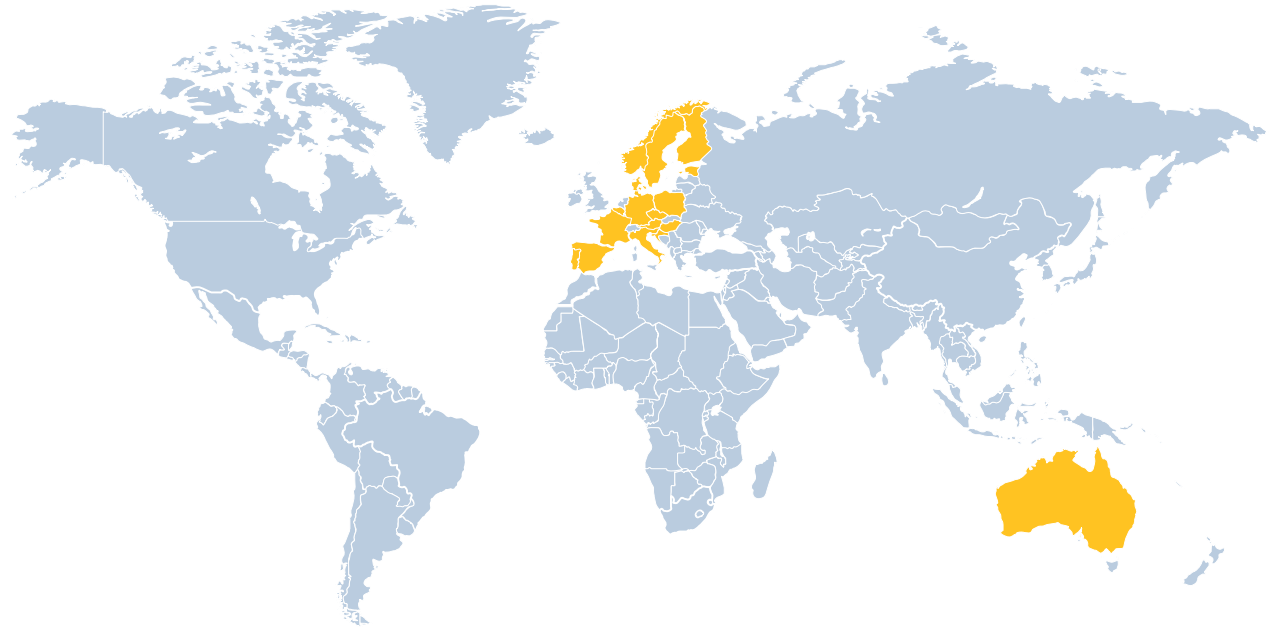
FEI Driving Youth - Events



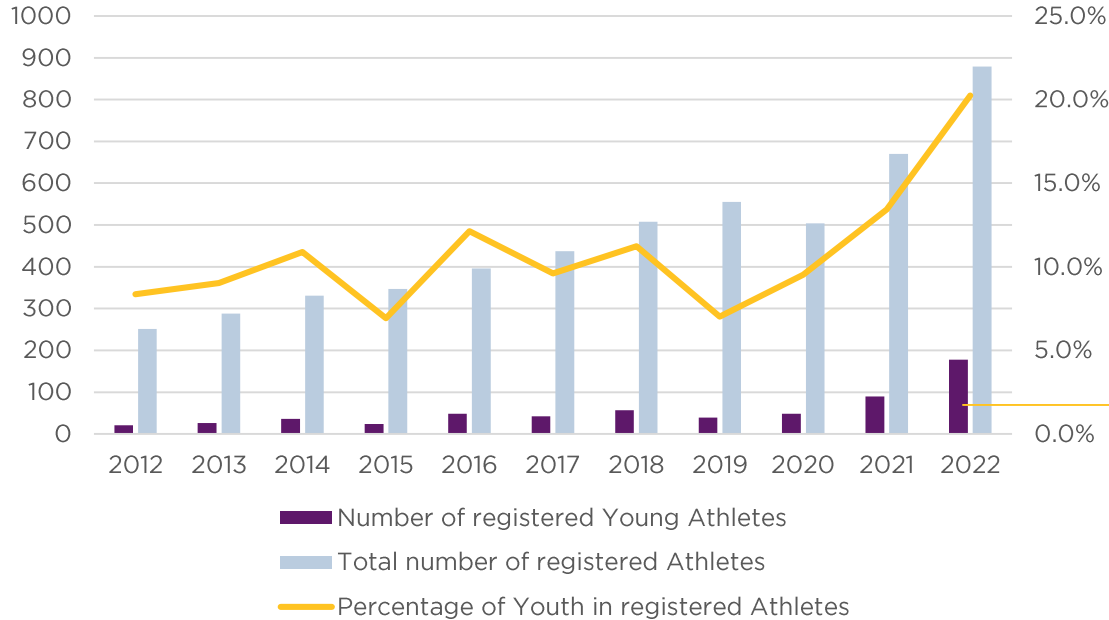
Increase in Youth Driving events :
+650 % since 2012

Geographical distribution of Youth Events 2012-2022

National Federations	
AUS	GER
AUT	HUN
BEL	ITA
CRO	NOR
CZE	POL
ESP	POR
EST	SLO
FIN	SWE
FRA	



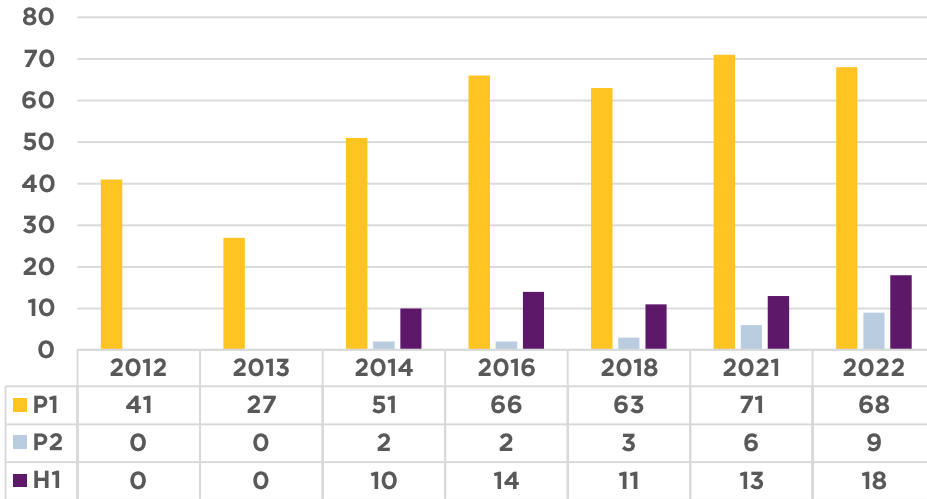
FEI Driving Youth - Athletes



Increase in Registered Young Athletes: +848 % since 2012

Large increase in 2022 due to addition of the U25 Category

FEI Driving Youth – Participation at Championships



■ P1 ■ P2 ■ H1

Only P1 Class for all age categories

- Most popular class: P1
- Average number of National Teams: 10

FEI Driving Youth Cup – Purpose of the Project

- Aim: Encourage Young Athletes to join the sport

Only Current FEI Named Event for Youth:

FEI Driving European Championships for Youth

- Held biennially
- Restricted to European Athletes

FEI Driving Youth Cup – The Project

- Innovating: New Format and reduced costs
- Ensuring: Safety and Sport Values
- Promoting: Youth and Driving Globally
- Safeguarding: Horse Welfare

FEI Driving Youth Cup – Format

- Single Horse and Ponies classified together across all Age Categories (Children, Junior, U25)
- One arena of min. 60x20 : Indoor or Outdoor
- Event held over 1 or 2 days
- Two competition : Dressage and Combined Marathon

Size	Minimum Width	Number of Marathon-type obstacle	Number of boxes (zig zag or speed)	Number of Cones-type obstacles
1200 - 1800 m ²	20 meters	Max. 2 (if no box) Max 1 (if box)	Max. 1	Max. 12
1800-2000 m ²	20 meters	Max. 2	Max. 1	Max. 15
>2000 m ² . Max. 5000 m ²	20 meters	Max. 3	Max. 1	Max. 20

FEI Driving Youth Cup – Safety and Sport Values

- Qualification via standard events
- Individual classification
- 5 FEI Officials in function at each event:

Function	Number	Level
Judges	2	President: Level 2 (foreign) Judge: National
Chief Steward	1	2
Course Designer	1	2
Veterinary Delegate	1	2 (Driving)

FEI Driving Youth Cup – Horse Welfare

- Events start with a Dressage test to build Driving skills
- Promotes a safe style of Driving in Combined Marathon through point system
- Reduced number of simultaneous efforts

Current challenges and solutions

Challenge	Solution
Growth of the Youth classes	Specific format tailored for Young Athletes
Promotion of the Youth classes	The Youth Cup will provide more exposure for the sport
Retention of Athletes	The series encourages Athletes to compete every year in this dedicated circuit
Dressage	New FEI Driven Dressage modification policy

Current challenges and solutions – continued

Challenge	Solution
Geographical Distribution	The Cup will be open Globally and promoted to nations inside and outside of the EU
Limited number of Youth Competitions	The aim of this series is to create a circuit for Young Athletes to compete at and compare results with other countries
Limited number of Venues hosting Youth Competitions	The Format of this series is ideal to implement the event with other disciplines or shows
Financial and time constrains	Reduced competition time and requirements – A Youth Cup event can be done over two days maximum

Timeline for FEI Youth Cup implementation

Early 2022
Creation of
Working
Group

Presentation
at the FEI
Driving
Forum 2023

Test events
in 2024

Format &
Rules
Creation

Review and
approval by
the FEI
Board

Launch in
2025