



# Central European Dressage Working Group

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Elisabeth Max-Theurer welcoming everybody opens the meeting and thanks the Hungarian host

## Meeting with EEF, Düsseldorf 23.02.2017 and EEF Secretary General Meeting, Bern 14.03.2017

Andrzej Salacki and Frank Spadinger report that they have informed the EEF of the foundation of the Working Group.

The EEF welcomes the initiative and acknowledges the regional working group.

The points discussed at the meeting in Vösendorf, 7<sup>th</sup> February 2017, were presented to Carina Mayer (SG). It was pointed out that a FEI Series needs the approval of the FEI Bureau and that it would be better to organize a Central European Regional Dressage Championship, which would fall under the responsibility of the EEF.

## Central European Dressage Working Group (CED)

The present members appoint the Elisabeth Max-Theurer as their chairperson and Frank Spadinger as Secretary General. Frank Spadinger emphasizes that the involvement of the National Federations is essential and that each participant should give him a contact person to forward the minutes. Mrs Max-Theurer will contact Ilja Vietor (SVK) to inform him about the last two meetings and invite him personally to the next one. It was agreed that a maximum of two persons per country would be on the mailing list.

It is important to acquire regional sponsors for the events of the member countries. Shortly marketing tools were discussed and as a first step each organizer should make 2-3 photos from/during its event. These photos would be then used to produce a calendar 2018. Mrs Inge Braun offered to create a logo for the working group.

## CED events & FEI Calendar

Andrzej Salacki reports of the problems that the Polish organizer had to find a date for the CDI Zakrzow. The reaction of the CDI Munich was not reasonable and the conditions not

acceptable. In any case, the planning for 2018 should be done earlier to avoid calendar clashes.

For 2018 Poland (April), Hungary (Beginning of Mai) and Austria (June) plan to host a CDIO Youth. The aim is to have one in each member country.

Future Championships: see attached document.

## CED events 2017

The OC of the CDIO Youth of Mariakalnok reports that only few countries have entered in the Nation Cup whereas the countries like Austria would have enough riders in the Open Tour to compete in the Nation Cup. Each participant will contact the NF to change the entries accordingly and Frank Spadinger will contact the FEI for the possibility to run the Open Tour (e.g. CDIJ) and the Nation Cup (CDIO) in one class. If this is not possible, the CED will try to provoke a rule change for 2018. If the combination is possible, the CDI Achleiten also considers organizing a Nation Cup. The Nation Cup team consists of 2 to 3 riders in each age category.

## FEI Sportforum

The second day of the FEI Sportforum is dedicated to dressage (New judging system) an FEI Officials. Andrzej Salacki reports that following judges were appointed as new 5\* judges:

- Maria Colliander (FIN)
- Janet Foy (USA)
- Francisco Guerra Diaz (ESP)
- Irina Maknami (RUS)
- Raphaël Saleh (FRA)
- Maria Schwennesen (AUS)

The FEI lists currently 36 judges with a 5\*-Qualification. Andrzej Salacki has made a survey that almost half of them will have to retire of in two years. Thomas Lang (AUT) is the only 5\* judges in the countries of our working group. Frank Spadinger will write a draft letter that can be send individually to the FEI by each NF.

## Miscellaneous

Andrzej Salacki shows a booklet where trainers are introduced. This is a good method to promote trainers that usually are in the background but important for the sport.

The project to organize an auction for horses (5-10 year old) is discussed. The horses should have already proved their quality in competitions and be checked by a veterinarian. The auction would have to be a separate event and could be not organized in conjunction with a CDI. The date should be the same every year. In the opinion of the members the market for such an auction would be there.

Poland organizes a judges clinic with Katharina Wüst (GER) and invites all members to send participants. Dates and place will be circulated later.

## Next Meeting

Brno, Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> June 2017