



## FEEVA history and activity

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## FVE and FEEVA

- FVE has 38 members (national veterinary organisations)
- represents 200,000 veterinarians: FVE is the voice of the European veterinary profession
- FVE has four sections representing vocational groups of the profession in Europe
  - UEVP (Union of European Veterinary Practitioners)
  - UEVH (Union of European Veterinary Hygienists)
  - EVERI (Education, Veterinary Research and Industry)
  - EASVO (State Veterinary Officers)
- FEEVA is an FVE affiliated organisation
  - represented through UEVP

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## FVE strategy 2011-15

- *'Veterinarians care for animals and people'*
- Defend public health
  - Animal Health + Human Health = One Health
- Protect Animal Welfare
  - implement current standards, improve current standards
- Work for the veterinary profession
  - 'One profession, one voice'
  - education, socio-economic position, capacity building, sustainability, new treatments
- 12 action points for 2011-15 to deliver these three strategic aims including promoting the profession, one health initiatives, developing national veterinary services, preventing antimicrobial resistance

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## FEEVA history

- established in 1997/1998 (first meeting in Strasbourg)
- availability of equine medicines
- equine health and welfare; safeguard public health
- main focus medicines, transport and identification
- currently represented on FVE working groups on medicines (Josh Slater) and transport (Istvan Soos)
- Medicines
  - 1950/2006/EC (Essentials List)
  - 470/2009/EC (amendment to MRL regulation 2001/82/EC)
- Transport
  - 1/2005/EC and declaration 0049/2011

## FEEVA history

- Henk Vaarkamp and Willem Back were initial driving forces
- FEEVA presidents
  - 1999-2003 Willem Back (Netherlands) - Founding President
  - 2003-2005 Jacques Bardiès (France)
  - 2005-2007 Alistair Barr (UK)
  - 2007-2009 Joe Collins (Ireland)
  - 2009-2011 Josh Slater (UK)
- Current Board
  - Josh Slater (President)
  - Jesper Moeller Nielson (Secretary)
  - Erik Gostelie (Treasurer)
  - Orsolya Kutasi (Board member)
  - Vivienne Duggan (Board member)
  - Miguel Llorca (Board member)

## FEEVA Statutes

- *Foundation and purposes*
  - Representation of members
  - Promote equine veterinary profession
  - Harmonisation of legislation
  - Harmonisation of disease prevention
  - Consult on European Directives, Regulations & Decisions and provide expert opinion on equine veterinary matters
  - Promote liaison between organisations
  - Promote scientific exchange
- Work closely with FVE, support FVE, complement FVE
  - *'One profession, One voice'*



## FEEVA activities 2010-11

- FVE Transport working group
  - Transport Forum; Codes of Practice
- FVE Medicines working group
  - Essentials List (470/2009)
  - Antimicrobials: responsible use and prescribing guides
- Position statements
  - change of status of the horse
- European Acknowledged Veterinarians (EBVPD)
- Engagement with other networks and professionals
  - CALLISTO
  - European Horse Network
  - other healthcare providers to the horse

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## CALLISTO

- Companion Animals Multisectorial Interprofessional and Interdisciplinary Strategic Think Tank on Zoonoses
- Seventh Framework Programme
- 3 year project focussing on zoonotic risks from companion animals; start date January 2012
- CALLISTO project goals:
  - provide overview of current situation
  - identify knowledge and technology gaps for main zoonoses
  - produce targeted actions to reduce risk from zoonoses
- delivered by 7 Expert Advisory Groups (Viral, Bacterial, Parasitic, Epi, Social & Welfare, Users, Policy)

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## European Federation of Farriers Associations (EFFA)




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# Certified Euro-Farrier

- common basic standard of competence in farriery
- promote equine welfare through high standards of trimming and shoeing
- standards developed through an EC Leonardo da Vinci project
- C-EF scheme
  - recognises those with required competence
  - requires completion of a course of training and passing an examination
  - provides means of identifying properly trained farriers in all countries
  - encourages countries without formal qualifications to raise standards to meet those of EFFA

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# EFFA proposal for a M.o.U

The Federation of European Equine Veterinary Associations and the European Federation of Farriers Associations agree to work together for the purposes of:

- Improving the welfare of the horse by encouraging the highest standards of hoof trimming and shoeing
- Encouraging close working between farriers and veterinary surgeons on the therapeutic treatment of horses' hooves
- Encouraging the education of the horse owning public in relation to the art and science of farriery

*Background note: farriers are included in Annex IV (trades) of 2005/36/EC (recognition of professional qualifications) but consider Annex II (healthcare) more appropriate*

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# European Horse Network




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### EHN purpose

- Promote development of European horse industry
- Increase visibility and impact through coordination
- Platform for communication to media and regulators
- Exchange views on political developments
- Political lobbying for the horse industry
- Identify areas of common interest




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### EHN members

- 12 member organisations
  - FEI
  - EEF (European Equestrian Federation)
  - IFHA (Horseracing Authorities)
  - ESSA (studs)
  - EFTBA (Thoroughbred Breeders)
  - EIF (Icelandic Horse Association)
  - HNS (Swedish Horse Council)
  - PFE (European Equestrian Regions)
  - UET (Trotting)
  - WBFSA (World Federation of Sport Horse Breeders)
  - FECTU (Draught Horse Federation)
  - EPMA (Insurers)

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### VEATS (Voluntary Equine Animals trading Scheme)




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