



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



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

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

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)

European Federation of Farriers Associations (EFFA)



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

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

European Horse Network



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



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)
 - WBFSD (World Federation of Sport Horse Breeders)
 - FECTU (Draught Horse Federation)
 - EPMA (Insurers)

VEATS (Voluntary Equine Animals trading Scheme)


