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Update by the EEBA Board

Dear EEBA members,

Our market is going through challenging times. In such a phase, the EEBA association is more important than ever. It brings together thousands of jobs and interests in order to enter into dialog when decisions are made in politics, sports and breeding associations and to contribute to stability through both demands and constructive cooperation.

In December, representatives of our board and association are in dialog with the management of the German Equestrian Federation. The changes to the performance test regulations have as much of an impact on the sport as the new veterinary regulations introduced last year.

Decisions made by the German Equestrian Federation (FN) and the FEI as well as all other national associations have a direct impact on our industry and we therefore strive to participate in all strategic committees. We want to emphasize the impact of all decisions made and and strengthen our position. We will keep you up to date on the results here.

You can get in touch with us via: **Executive Board**: <u>vorstand@eeb-a.eu</u> +49 1511 4206175 (Stefan Schwanbeck)

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For further information and queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Executive Board - New elections

Shortly after this year's Annual General Meeting in Warendorf, our Board member Hugo Matthaes retired from association work for health



reasons. His commitment before, during and since the founding of the association has been exemplary and we are very grateful for his support. We would like to take his request for discharge as an opportunity to reorganize the Board for the next stage of the EEBA project and invite you to call advance elections for all Board positions. We will send you an invitation to an extraordinary general meeting - probably at the end of January - in good time. The office will be happy to receive your suggestions for the appointment of the Executive Board from now on.



Expert panels and new norms

The **Safety Expert Panel** decided to submit an application for the **standardization of 'safety stirrups'** to the **German Institute for Standardization (DIN)**. The application was submitted in Berlin on October 12, 2023. The initial response was very positive and a resolution on the establishment of a project group on this topic is expected to be passed in January. Please contact Stefan Schwanbeck if you are interested in becoming involved.



Potential trade fair & marketing benefits

We are currently in contact with various organizers and publishers to negotiate special conditions for you as an exhibitor and advertising partner for 2024 and 2025. We will contact you as soon as we have the results.



Staff / Office

As already announced in the last mail, the activity of our CEO Anna Lena Grytz ends on 31.12.23. Meanwhile, the activity in the board will be continued and accelerated. We are currently in search of a solution and would be happy to receive your suggestions or recommendations.

With kind regards

Stefan Schwanbeck, 1st Chairman



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