



EEF General Assembly 2020, Election

Application Form and

Position applied for	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EEF EU Committee Chair
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National Federation (NF) proposing the candidate	Ireland

Motivation for serving on the Board
<p>I believe that the EEF EU Committee is extremely important forum and link between the EEF, our Member Federations; the FEI, the EU Commission; Parliment; European Horse Network; IFHA; EFTBA etc. The annual economic value of the combined sport horse/equestrian, horse racing and breeding industries in Europe is €52.1 billion per annum, supporting over 500,000 direct and indirect jobs making it one of the most important sectors in a European context. Despite this very significant economic footprint, the industry is often overlooked by policy makers. The EEF has a key role in ensuring that the Sport Horse Industry is considered and that our voice is heard. European legislation establishes the operating framework for our sector and key issues such as Equine Identification; Animal Health Law; Equine Movements; Welfare; Food Chain Legislation; Competition Law; Brexit; Covid-19 supports; Environmental impact; Access to Vaccines; Biosecurity and Health Status etc. must be carefully considered by all European Federations to ensure that our voice is heard.</p> <p>The EEF EU Committee has an important mandate to actively engage; communicate, interpret</p>



and represent the European Sport Horse Industry in this regard.

I believe that I have the experience and enthusiasm to engage credibly and with integrity at the highest level on these matters and to support the EEF Board and Member Federations in delivering our strategy and strengthening the voice of our industry. My previous experience of serving on numerous European Committees has allowed me to establish an effective network and I believe that strong collaboration with other European equestrian committees will further enhance the recognition for our sector.

I have served as interim Chair of the EEF EU Committee since 2019 and I would welcome an opportunity to continue the work we have started and ensure that our Objectives are achieved. I enjoy working with my colleagues on the EEF EU Committee and I feel that I can continue to positively contribute at this exciting time.

Sports Career / Equestrian Background

Dates	Experience / Position
1990 – 1994	Bachelor of Animal Science University College Dublin (First Class Honours)
1992/1993	Irish National Universities Showjumping individual Champion
1994 – 1996	Master of Animal Science University College Dublin (First Class Honours) – Thesis on stallion reproductive physiology
2014 – 2017	CEO Weatherbys Ireland Ltd; Director of Weatherbys General Stud Book Ltd (IRL); Director of Weatherbys General Stud Book Ltd (GBR); Director of Weatherbys Ltd (GBR); Vice Chairman International Stud Book Committee (ISBC); ISBC representative to the International Federation of Horse Racing Authorities (IFHA); Co-Chair of the European and Mediterranean Stud Book Liaison Committee (EMSBLC); Non-Executive Committee Member of the Irish Thoroughbred Breeders Association (ITBA); Non-Executive Committee Member of the Thoroughbred Breeders Association (TBA) (GBR); Member of the International Thoroughbred Breeders



<p>2017 – Present</p> <p>2019</p> <p>2019 - 2020 2020</p>	<p>Federation (ITBF) Equine Genomics Monitoring Group; Member of several industry committees including the Irish Drug Testing Taskforce and Irish Foal Levy Committee.</p> <p>CEO Horse Sport Ireland; Secretary General of Ireland National Federation.</p> <p>Certificate in Agribusiness and European Food Law</p> <p>Interim Chairman of EEF EU Committee Member (and secretary) of IHSC (IFHA & FEI) Taskforce on Brexit and EU Animal Health law. Board Member of EHN (European Horse Network)</p> <p>Numerous equestrian interests including polo; dressage; hunting; eventing and show jumping. Breeder of showjumpers and polo ponies. I have been involved in equestrian activity since I was 3 years of age. I have represented Ireland in international polo tournaments in the USA and Argentina. Our children are now actively involved in showing ponies and dressage.</p>
<p>Official functions at the NF and/or FEI</p>	<p>CEO of Horse Sport Ireland</p> <p>Secretary General of Ireland National Federation</p> <p>Interim Chair of EEF EU Committee</p> <p>Member of IHSC (FEI & IFHA) Taskforce on EU Animal Health Law and Brexit</p> <p>EHN Board Member</p>

Professional Career/Work Experience	
Dates	Experience / Position
1997 - 2014	Business Manager with Hermitage Genetics (Global Animal Breeding Company)
2014 – 2017	CEO Weatherbys Ireland Ltd; Director of Weatherbys General Stud Book Ltd (IRL); Director of Weatherbys General Stud Book Ltd (GBR); Director of Weatherbys Ltd (GBR); Vice Chairman International Stud Book Committee (ISBC); ISBC



<p>2017 – Present</p> <p>2019 - 2020 2020</p>	<p>representative to the International Federation of Horse Racing Authorities (IFHA); Co-Chair of the European and Mediterranean Stud Book Liaison Committee (EMSBLIC); Non-Executive Committee Member of the Irish Thoroughbred Breeders Association (ITBA); Non-Executive Committee Member of the Thoroughbred Breeders Association (TBA) (GBR); Member of the International Thoroughbred Breeders Federation (ITBF) Equine Genomics Monitoring Group; Member of several industry committees including the Irish Drug Testing Taskforce and Irish Foal Levy Committee.</p> <p>CEO Horse Sport Ireland; Secretary General of Ireland National Federation.</p> <p>Interim Chairman of EEF EU Committee Member (and secretary) of IHSC (IFHA & FEI) Taskforce on Brexit and EU Animal Health law. Board Member of EHN (European Horse Network)</p>
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Date and signature of the candidate:

29th July 2020 Ronan Murphy

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APPROVAL & SUPPORT OF THE NF

Name of the National Federation: **Horse Sport Ireland; Ireland NF**

Name of the person signing on behalf of the NF: **Joe Reynolds,**

Title (President or Secretary General): **President IRL NF; Chairman Horse Sport Ireland**

Signature and stamp of the NF:



**HORSE SPORT
IRELAND**

Joe Reynolds