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| **Meeting** | **EEF Dressage Working Group** |
| **Date** | 02 November 2022 |
| **Time** |  |
| **Location** | Videoconference |
| **Chair** | Elisabeth Max-Theurer (AUT) |
| **Minutes** | Thomas Baur |

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| **Participants** |  |
| Elisabeth Max-Theurer | Chair |
| Nathalie zu Sayn-Wittgenstein | DEN |
| Klaus Röser | IDRC |
| Carlos Lopes | POR |
| Andrzey Salacki | POL & IDTC |
| Christof Umbach | LUX |
| Thomas Baur | GER |
| Carina Mayer | Secretary General |
| **Invited** |  |
| Teodor Sheytanov | EEF Sport Development Manager |

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| **Pt.** | **Topic** |
| **1** | **Welcome**  SMT welcomed all to the newly formed EEF Dressage Working Group. She is very happy to have such a strong group working for Dressage now and thanked everyone for accepting the appointment. |
| **2** | **EEF structure**  The Sport Developing Manager, TS, of the EEF joined the meeting and explained his role and projects he is working on. TS started in March this year in his new role, he is a level 3 Jumping judge and course designer.  The plan for the coming years:   * Education of national officials, sustainable for all over Europe * Support NFs with Education * EEF Evolution League/Team competition. Test events this year in Jumping and Dressage. Mainly for athletes of small countries. The team competition at CDIs for all age groups with one drop score.   The idea is to combine these competitions with education of officials and education of scribes.  CL will help with a “dictionary” for scribes from Para, Blackhorse/Daniel Göhlen will help from the Dressage side. SMT will invite Daniel Göhlen for one of the next meetings to discuss further.  CU agreed to identify potential contact persons in the countries and regions to find  national officials who are interested to join the program.  KS offered to make contact with Sascha Eckjans who runs an education platform in China which has similar content and could be helpful.  It was agreed to discuss this further in the next meeting. |
| **3** | **FEI GA Cape Town 2022**  SMT will attend the FEI GA in Cape Town next week. The stakeholder clubs IDRC and IDTC have raised concerns for some of the points in the coming rule changes.  The working group agreed to ask the EEF to support a package of changes which should be made:  - No change from star to level.  - Art. 401.7.  No minimum qualification requirements for CDI4\* and CDIO4\*  Keep the 60% as the qualification within the CDI4\* and CDIO4\* as it is currently in the rules.  Keep the Grand Prix in the CDI2\* and CDIO2\*.  TB will make a summary of these points and send it out to the members for approval.  The upcoming discussion of the use of double bridal vs snaffle was addressed and needs further discussion. SMT will bring it to the EEF Board Meeting.  As it will be presented by the FEI GA and then further discussed at the FEI Sports Forum next year we need to be prepared.  This issue has led to lengthy discussion about influencing media and social media. KR brought up the idea to find people who can do that. He will look into a structure, potentially a german “Verein” (club) who can raise money for the cause. Also the tax situation for potential donors need to be looked into.  SMT closed the meeting and thanked all participants. The plan is to meetings every 6-8 weeks from now on. |