



11 Septembre

Peut-on préserver le bien-être des chevaux dans le sport de haut niveau?

Can we preserve the welfare of horses in high-level sport?





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Repas inclus Traduction simultanée anglais-français

Program conference day September 11, 2021

1. Ethological considerations:

08h30

Welfare, a fragile individual perception: concept of horse welfare and natural needs that can lead to both physical and mental problems

Emanuela Dalla Costa (University of Milano)

IN ENGLISH

2. Preparation for high-level sport:

09h30

Learning the horse towards the athlete - pitfalls to avoid to preserve welfare (preserving physical and mental balance, early career management)

Sébastien Jaulin (Haras de Hus, France)

IN FRENCH

BREAK 30 MINUTES 10h15-10h45

3. How to assess the welfare of athlete horses:

10h45

To assess animal welfare there is the need to use measurable, feasible and valid animal-based measures (ABMs). The presentation will focus on ABMs useful to determine the quality of life of athlete horses and how to identify preventive and corrective measures for negative welfare consequences

Barbara Padalino (University of Bologna)

IN FRENCH





4. Sleep problems of horses:

11h30

Presentation of Sleeping habits of horses. Horses who are moved from one environment to another sleep less for several days and REM sleep is particularly affected. This can be a welfare as well as a performance issue. Two cases of REM sleep deprivation will be discussed.

Katherine A. Houpt (University of Cornell, USA)

IN ENGLISH

LUNCH BREAK 90 MINUTES

12h00-13h30

5. Equine welfare protection measures taken by federations:

5.1. **FEI Sports:** 13h30

FEI new equipment measures, «FEI Hyposensitivity Control System », Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication

Göran Äkerström (FEI) IN ENGLISH

5.2. Horse races : 14h00

Evolution of equipment and whip regulations, presentation of a study on the impact of barefoot racing on the comfort of the trotting horse and the implementation of a follow-up of this practice, doping control and the latest developments in testing strategy, the National Charter for Equine Welfare and its application in racing in France, recently developed actions (#raceandcare) and projects (Welfare thesis)

Arnaud Duluard (Le Trot)

6. Major health risks associated with high-level competition:

14h30

Intrinsic value of the competition horse, organ systems at risk, health injuries specific to high level sport and her prevention

Gilles Thiébaud (IENA)

IN FRENCH

BREAK 30 MINUTES 15h15-15h45

7. Risk factors for transport related health and behavioural problems in horses: 15h45

Transport is stressful for horses and may lead to the development of behavioural and health problems. The presentation will focus on possible risk factors for those problems and how to prevent them

Barbara Padalino (University of Bologna)

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8. Stress and stereotypic behaviour:

16h30

What to do?

Emanuela Dalla Costa (University of Milano)

IN ENGLISH

9. **Round table** - questions and answers:

All

17h00