

AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF HORSERACING AUTHORITIES (IFHA)
AND
THE WORLD ORGANISATION FOR ANIMAL HEALTH (OIE)

1. The World Organisation for Animal Health, hereinafter referred to as OIE, and the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities, hereinafter referred to as IFHA, will keep each other party informed of its activities and events which may be of mutual interest.
2. Each organisation will invite the other party to participate in its meetings to address matters of mutual interest.
3. The OIE will forward to IFHA its catalogue of available publications to enable it to request OIE publications on activities related to the work of IFHA. The IFHA will benefit from the same concessional rates as other organizations having an Agreement with the OIE. OIE and IFHA will exchange unpriced documents on subjects of mutual interest.
4. The two organizations will endeavor to develop further cooperation through both formal and informal consultations on issues of common interest as listed below.

Issues of common interest:

- The provision of general information on the race horse industry (breeding and racing),
- The exchange of information on equine disease occurrences and veterinary research into equine diseases,
- The consultation and exchange of information on equine diseases with official country status recognition (i.e. African Horse Sickness),
- The exchange of information with the International Movement of Horses Committee (IMHC),
- Consultation on the development and revision of international animal health standards for the international movement of competition horses,
- Consultation on the development and revision of animal welfare policies, guidelines and standards for the international movement of competition horses,
- Consultation on bio-security protocols employed in the international movement of competition horses and support to the OneHealth concept,
- Exchange of views on the approach by intergovernmental bodies such as WHO/FAO/WTO on disease control strategies which may involve competition horses,
- Relations between the race horse industry and official Veterinary Services.

The parties have signed this Agreement in two copies, one copy to be held by the OIE and the other by IFHA. The present Agreement will enter into force upon signature by both Parties.

Paris, July 10th, 2013

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