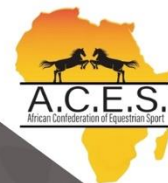


7TH ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Attendees Invited:								
	Participants	Title	NF	Invited	Member FEI	Proposed Attendance	Member of ACES	P.O.A
	H.H. Sheikh Khalid Bin Abdulla Al Khalifa	Honorary Members, ACES		X				
	Mary Binks							
	Kim Gueho							
	Ingmar de Vos	President FB		X				
	Sabrina Ibanez	Secretary General FEI		X				
	Francisco Lima	Director, Governance FEI		X		IN PERSON		
	Barbara Rodel	Exec. Assistant to the President		X				
	Jean Philippe Camboulives	Director, FEI Solidarity		X		IN PERSON		
	Celine Starbanov	FEI Solidarity				IN PERSON		
	Brigitte Mathias	Group IX Chair		X		IN PERSON	X	
	Sultan Al Yehyaee	Group VII Chair		X				
Voter No	Delegates							
	Zoheir Remili	President	Algeria - FEA	X	X	IN PERSON	X	X
	TBA	President / SG	Angola - Fequangola	X	X	IN PERSON	X	
	Dirkie Luus	President	Botswana - HSB	X	X	ONLINE	X	X
	Patrick Musette	Tech Delegate	D. R.Congo - FCSE	X	X	ONLINE	X	X
	Cheick Hamad	SG	Cote d'Ivoire CIV	X	X	ONLINE	X	X
	Ismail Shaker	President	Egypt - EEF	X	X	IN PERSON	X	X
	Xuxa Tanman	V. President	Eswatini - EFE	X	X	IN PERSON	X	X
	Zerhun Biadgilign	SG	Ethiopia - EEA	X	X	ONLINE	X	X
		President / SG	Kenya - HAK	X	X		X	
	Ibrahim Aqeela	SG	Libya - LAEF	X	X	ONLINE	X	X
	Anne-Muriel Rahainonjatovo	SG	Madagascar FSEM	X	X	ONLINE	X	X
	Sapna Seegobin	President	Mauritius - MESF	X	X	IN PERSON	X	X
	Badre Fakir	CEO	Morocco - FRMSE	X	X	IN PERSON	X	X
	Richard Frankle	President	Namibia - NAMEF	X	X	IN PERSON	X	X
	Ibrahima Wade	President	Senegal - FSSE	X	X	IN PERSON	X	X
	Sharlene Venter	SG	South Africa SAEF	X	X	IN PERSON	X	X
	Khalid Hidaytalla	Board Member	Sudan - SEF	X	X	IN PERSON	X	X
	Mounir Abichu	President	Tunisia - FTSE	X	X	IN PERSON	X	X
	John Paton	President	Zambia - ZANEF	X	X	IN PERSON	X	X
	Shayne Hay	SG	Zimbabwe - ZEF	X	X	ONLINE	X	X

	ACES BOARD			
	Participants	Title	NF	Proposed Attendance
	Fahima Sebiane	Interim Pres	Algeria	IN PERSON
	Ibrahima Wade	Vice President	Senegal	IN PERSON
	Theola Barclay	Treasurer	Zambia	IN PERSON
	Gayle Hanssen	SG	Zimbabwe	IN PERSON
	Hussam Zummit	Board Member	Libya	IN PERSON
	Zied Aouina	Board Member	Tunisia	ONLINE
	Jeanine van Wyk	Board Member	Eswatini	ONLINE
	Bertrand de Corrolis	Board Member	Mauritius	IN PERSON

Pt.	Topic	Speaker	Time
1.	Present and Apologies, Welcome to Meeting.		5 mins
2.	Address by ACES Interim President, Fahima Sebiane	Fahima Sebiane	10 mins
3.	Technical Committee Reports		
	3.1 JUMPING	Nazim Sebiane	5 min
	3.2 ENDURANCE	Basma Arfoui	5 min
	3.3 DRESSAGE	Mohammed El Sherbini	5 min
4.	Solidarity Grant 2024 Talent Spotting	Zara Nicolle/ Celine Starbanov	10 min
5.	Finance :		
	5.1 Subscriptions outstanding		
	5.2 2025 Budget	Theola Barclay	15 min
	5.3. TrustQore Introduction		
6.	Membership – Discussion		10 min
7.	Introduction of Presidential Candidates		10 min

Pt.	Topic	Speaker	Time
8.	Rules Revisions		
	8.1 Chapter 1 Article 1 – Name		
	8.2 Chapter 1 Article 3 – Purpose		
	8.3 Chapter 1 Article 5 – Duration and Dissolution		
	8.4 Chapter 2 Article 6 – Membership		
	7.5 Chapter 3 Article 7 – Finance		
	8.6 Chapter 4 Article 8 – General Assembly	Fahima Sebiane	20 min
	8.7 Chapter 4 Article 9 – Emergency General Assembly		
	8.8 Chapter 5 Article 10 – Board		
	8.9 Chapter 5 Article 11 – Meetings		
	8.10 Chapter 5 Article 12 – Secretary General		
	8.11 Chapter 5 Article 13 – Treasurer		

Pt.	Topic	Speaker	Time
9.	Appointment of new office bearers (vote for Board and Jumping Committee). All Votes through Election Runner 9.1. President 9.2 Vice President (North) 9.3 Board Members (North). (I). 9.4. Jumping Technical Committee. (South recommended) (I)	Theola Barclay	20 mins
10.	Website	Jeanine von Wissell	5 min
11.	AOB	Fahima Sebiane	20min

2. ADDRESS BY INTERIM PRESIDENT



- ❖ Strengthening Governance and Engagement
 - Improved Participation at Board Level
 - ACES Trust with new Management
- ❖ Operational and Technological Improvements
 - Website
- ❖ Development of Equestrian Disciplines and Programs
 - Dressage
 - Talent ID – Solidarity
 - Jumping Competitions
 - Endurance
- ❖ Looking Ahead
 - 2025 Dressage Solidarity
 - 2025 Endurance Solidarity

3. TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

❖ JUMPING



❖ DRESSAGE



❖ ENDURANCE

ACES DRESSAGE CHALLENGE RESULTS – TO DATE

RSA AND ESW to go....
Results pending from EGY

Remember – there is prize money on the TEAMS

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Advanced Team	US\$250	US\$200	US\$100
Rising Stars Team	US\$200	US\$150	US\$100



ACES DRESSAGE CHALLENGE ADVANCED TEAM RESULTS

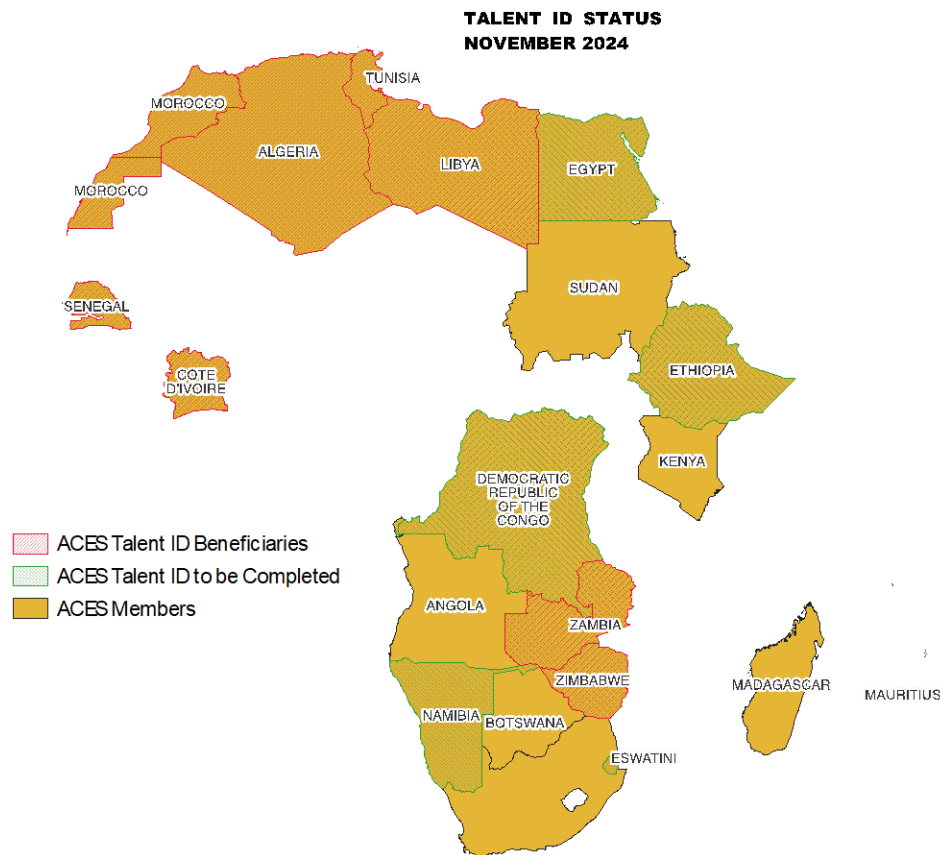
CURRENT PLACING	RIDER'S NF	NAME OF RIDER	NAME OF HORSE		JUDGE C	JUDGE E	Total %	TEAM SCORE
1	ZIMBABWE	Elena	Levity	Snr II	59.248	63.485	61.367	36.877
		Nikita	Mercibacoo	PSG	52.059	46.471	49.265	
							0.000	
2	BOTSWANA	Debra Freeman	Callaho Giuseppe	PSG	58.088	61.911	60.000	39.747
		Sian Thomas	Calabash Real Murphy	Snr II	57.575	60.909	59.242	
							0.000	
3							0.000	0.000
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ACES DRESSAGE CHALLENGE RISING STAR TEAM RESULTS

CURRENT PLACING	RIDER'S NF	NAME OF RIDER	NAME OF HORSE	LEVEL	JUDGE C %	JUDGE E %	Total %	TEAM SCORE
1	ZAMBIA	Margaret Mwale	Baas Zinger	Pre	65	71.379	68.190	64.740
		Rachel Howard	Lafayette	Elem	65.675	67.297	66.486	
		Maia Karen	Bendigo Halt Pi	Youth	66.2	68.250	67.225	
		Vanessa Greateorex	Flying Maverick	Snr 1	55.37	58.750	57.060	
		Hein van der Merwe	Kop Jansen Gladiator	Pre	72.93	63.793	68.362	
2	BOTSWANA	Adele Jooste	Cordova Keanu	Elem	61.891	66.351	64.121	50.372
		Siobhan O'Neill	Havenspride State Sonata	Snr 1	67.758	70.250	69.004	
				Youth	0	0.000	0.000	
3	ZIMBABWE	Sophia M-Brown	Eclipse	Pre	59.310	68.448	63.879	47.977
		Emma Simms	Cruz Giovani	Elem	0	0.000	0.000	
		Lula Janisch	Waterford Sprite	Youth	52.8	64.250	58.525	
		Jay Haddingham	Made To Order	Snr I	64.259	74.750	69.505	

4. TALENT ID SOLIDARITY GRANT



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**LAST DATE FOR REGISTRATION FOR WJC
QUALIFIER – LEG 3**

1st DECEMBER 2024

5. 2025 FEI SOLIDARITY GRANTS

- DRESSAGE
 - OFFICIALS EXCHANGE
 - PARTICIPATE IN THE ACES CHALLENGE.
 - FUNDING OF \$7,500
 - EACH PARTICIPATING NF GETS \$500 FOR A NATIONAL JUDGE TO TRAVEL TO ANOTHER NF HOLDING THE ACES DRESSAGE CHALLENGE
 - FUNDING FOR 15 OFFICIALS AT THIS LEVEL, TO BE DIVIDED EVENLY BETWEEN PARTICIPATING NATIONS.
 - 2024 SAW 9 NATIONS PARTICIPATING.

5. 2025 FEI SOLIDARITY GRANTS

- ENDURANCE
 - ENDURANCE COACHES WORKSHOP
 - FUNDING OF \$5,000
 - FOR THE FOLLOWING ENDURANCE NATIONS: ALG, EGY, LBA, MAR, TUN
 - FUNDING FOR 2 COACHES FOR EACH NATION.
 - FUNDING PER COACH \$500

6. DISCUSSION ON ACES MEMBERSHIP



8.1 CHAPTER 1 ARTICLE 1 – NAME

Article 1. Name

The name of the organization (hereinafter called “ACES”) is “THE AFRICAN CONFEDERATION OF EQUESTRIAN SPORT”. ACES is an international non-governmental not-for-profit entity, of unlimited duration, in the form of a trust, the “ACES Trust” as duly registered in Mauritius. The Trustees and Founder Members are recognised in the Trust Document.

EXPLANATION

Article 1: NAME

TRUST DOCUMENT – recognizes the founding members. These are Hesham Hatab, Fahima Sebiane, Kim Gueho and Mary Binks. No Trust is named in the Rules and Regulations and no person is named in the rules and regulations.

YES

8.2 CHAPTER 1 ARTICLE 3 – PURPOSE

Article 3. Purpose

1. To develop and promote equestrian sport in the Africa in close cooperation with its NFs, the International Equestrian Federation (FEI) and the **representative African stakeholders** organisations.

EXPLANATION

Article 3 : PURPOSE

Outside the FEI the stakeholders are recognised to be in AFRICA. (this in practice is talking about the UCSA, the continental bodies for all sports in Africa)

YES

8.3 CHAPTER 1 ARTICLE 5 – DURATION & DISSOLUTION

Article 5. Duration & dissolution of ACES

The Trust and the Executive Trust Committee or ACES Board is constituted for an-undetermined duration.

Except in case of dissolution ordered by a Court, the dissolution of the ACES can only be decided by the GA. The GA that decides to dissolve the ACES must appoint one or more liquidators and will decide to which trust or association, that has a similar purpose as the ACES, the assets of the trust after having settled all debts will be transferred.

EXPLANATION

Article 5: DURATION AND DISSOLUTION OF ACES

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YES

8.4 CHAPTER 2 ARTICLE 6 – MEMBERSHIP

Article 6. Membership

Members: All National Equestrian Federations, having membership of the FEI, of countries in the African Continent, defined as the continent of Africa and the outlying islands but not including those states or islands dependent of another **non African** country may apply for membership of the ACES. The ACES will only accept one National Equestrian Federation for each member country.

6.1. Affiliate Members

NFs that are a full member of the FEI, their NOC and ACES and are fully paid up. This membership category allows participation on the Board, all Committees and allows voting rights at the General Assembly.

6.2 Associate Members

NFs that are a full member of the FEI, their NOC and ACES but have not paid their membership for 12 consecutive months. This membership category may no longer participate in ACES competitions or be represented on boards/committees but may attend the General Assembly with no voting rights in ACES.

6.3 Non-FEI Affiliate Member

NFs that are an accepted member of their NOC and paid up members of ACES. Such members have no voting rights at the GA but are invited to participate in specific activities defined on a case by case basis by the ACES Board.

WITHDRAWN until 2025 GA

8.4 CHAPTER 2 ARTICLE 6 – MEMBERSHIP

Article 6. Membership (CONT)

6.4 Application for Membership

Applications for membership must be approved by the GA. Based on special reasons the Board may accept an application for membership provisionally, which in such case should be confirmed at the next GA. **Voting rights will only come into effect after the respective GA.**

6.5 Honorary Member

The **GA** may, upon proposal of the Executive Board grant the status of honorary chair or honorary member of the Board of Directors to persons who have given meritorious service to Equestrian in relation to ACES.

Honorary Chairs or Honorary Board Members **may** be invited to attend and speak at General Assemblies and Board Meetings of the Executive Board but shall have no vote.

6.6 Suspension and Exclusion of Members

The GA may decide to suspend temporarily or to exclude a member not fulfilling its financial obligations towards the ACES or not respecting the principles laid down in these Rules and Regulations. Members suspended by the FEI will automatically be suspended by the ACES for the same period. A member that wants to resign has to inform the ACES at least **one** month before the next GA.

WITHDRAWN until 2025 GA

8.4 CHAPTER 2 ARTICLE 6 – MEMBERSHIP

EXPLANATION

Article 6. Membership

The NFs have to be independent states, and not governed solely by an outside power (eg Reunion is governed by France).

6.1 6.2 and 6.3. The membership categories have been clarified and numbered.

6.4. Application for membership – they only have voting rights the GA AFTER their membership is approved.

6.5. Honorary Members are valued and may be invited. Text editing for flow.

WITHDRAWN until 2025 GA

8.5 CHAPTER 3 ARTICLE 7 – FINANCE

Article 7. Financial

7.4 Financial Year

The financial year starts on the 1st January and ends on 31st December.

EXPLANATION

Article 7. Financial

7.4. Change of the financial year to run like a calendar year.

YES

8.6 CHAPTER 4 ARTICLE 8 – GENERAL ASSEMBLY

8.1 Composition

In case of a voting tie the **President or the Chair of the Meeting** will exercise a deciding vote.

EXPLANATION

Article 8 . General Assembly

The casting vote always sits with the Chair of the Meeting.

YES

8.7 CHAPTER 4 ARTICLE 9 – EMERGENCY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Article 9. Emergency General Assembly (EGA)

ACES may hold an additional Extraordinary General Assembly at any time:

- (i) At the request of the Board; or
- (ii) At the written request of at least one-fifth (1/5) of the NFs acting together.

The date, place shall be decided by the Board. The procedure to convene an Extraordinary General Assembly must be the same as per an Ordinary General Assembly.

EXPLANATION

*Article 9. Emergency General Assembly
Provisions in line with the General Assembly*

YES

8.8 CHAPTER 5 ARTICLE 10 – BOARD

The ACES Board is composed of the 4 [four] Office Bearers: the President, two Vice-Presidents, who must be respectively one each from the Northern Region (FEI Group VII) and the Southern Region (FEI Group IX)}, ~~one Secretary General~~, one Treasurer and not more than 5 [five] Board Members.

No Board Member may appoint and “Alternate” to represent them if they are unable to attend. ~~If one of the Board Members is unable to attend a meeting, the Board Member may with prior notice and agreement of the Board nominate an Alternate to represent him.~~

In the event of a tie in voting at a Board Meeting, the designated ~~President or the Chair of the Meeting~~ Chair, may will exercise a deciding vote [Article 8 and 9 – GA or EGA].

Should a Board Member not be present for three (3) consecutive meeting, this Board Member may be removed by the powers of the Board

EXPLANATION

Article 10 . Board

No Board member may be represented at a meeting by another person. This is not the reason this person was voted into this position.

Again, the Chair of the meeting is given the casting vote (normal practice)

8.9 CHAPTER 5 ARTICLE 11 – MEETINGS

A quorum of the board is considered to be 66% and above of the current Board Members. A quorum of a GA or EGA is considered 66% of registered Affiliate Members.

EXPLANATION

A quorum is defined. This has previously not been in the rules. 66%.

YES

8.10 CHAPTER 5 ARTICLE 12 – SECRETARY GENERAL

The SG must be from opposite region as to the President. (defined as the Northern Region (FEI Group VII) and the Southern Region (FEI Group IX))

The role of the SG is defined as working with the Board Members to provide timeous topics for the agenda and subsequent records of all meetings. The SG will be the liaison for NFs, Sub Committees and other stakeholders as required with the Board.

EXPLANATION

Giving greater guidelines for the purpose of the SG, and the split between the north and the south.

8.11 CHAPTER 5 ARTICLE 13 – TREASURER

The Treasurer should have a recognised financial qualification or a minimum of 10 year proven track record in accounting. The Treasurer will produce regular account updates for Board Meeting and the annual financial statement at the GA. The Treasurer is responsible for the annual invoicing of membership fees.

EXPLANATION

Giving greater guidelines for the role of the Treasurer. Also a minimum financial accounting qualification is required to stand for this post.

YES

9.1 PRESIDENT 2025-2028



Ibrahima Wade
SEN

9.2 VICE PRESIDENT NORTH



Maher Berrachid
TUN

9.3 BOARD MEMBER NORTH



Khalid Hidaytalla
SUD

9.4. JUMPING COMMITTEE MEMBER



Grant Langley RSA