

Polski Związek Hodowców Koni

POLISH HORSE BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

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Warszawa, 10.09.2025

President of the World Breeding Federation for Sport Horses
Mr. Jan Pedersen

Dear WBFSH President,

on behalf of the Polish Horse Breeders Association (PZHK), it is with great honor that we nominate Mr. Mateusz Cichoń as a candidate for the Board of the World Breeding Federation for Sport Horses (WBFSH).

Mr. Cichoń is an exceptional professional who combines extensive expertise in both the legal and equestrian sectors. As the current Vice-President of the Polish Horse Breeders Association (PZHK) and President of the Silesian-Opole Horse Breeders Association (ŚOZHK), he has demonstrated outstanding leadership and commitment to advancing the breeding and sport horse community in Poland and internationally.

His academic background, having graduated with distinction in law from the University of Silesia and currently running advocate practice in Katowice, provides him with a solid foundation in legal matters related to breeding, sports, and commercial law. This unique combination of skills enables Mr. Cichoń to offer valuable insights into governance, policy development, and legal compliance within equestrian organizations.

Moreover, Mr. Cichoń's achievements as an international dressage competitor, including securing Poland's qualification for the 2024 Paris Olympic Games, highlight his deep understanding of the sport and the high-performance demands of sport horses. His experience organizing significant equine events and managing Poland's largest stallion stations, reflects his dedication to excellence and innovation in horse breeding.

We firmly believe that Mr. Cichoń's multidisciplinary expertise, proven leadership, and passion for equestrian sport make him an outstanding candidate who will contribute meaningfully to the WBFSH's mission to promote and support sport horse breeding globally.

We respectfully ask for your favorable consideration of Mr. Mateusz Cichoń's nomination, as well as Jarosław Lewandowski as executive candidate.

Yours sincerely,



Curriculum Vitae

Mateusz Cichoń

Professional Summary

Multidisciplinary professional combining expertise in law, sports management, and equine breeding. Admitted to the bar and active as an attorney-at-law with practical experience in civil and commercial law. Vice-President of the Polish Horse Breeders Association (PZHK) and President of the Silesian-Opole Horse Association (ŚOZHK). Breeders international Accomplished dressage athlete, organizer of major equestrian events, and co-founder of the most prominent stallion station in Poland. Proven leadership in both legal and equestrian sectors.



Professional Experience

Vice-President

Polish Horse Breeders Association (PZHK)

Warsaw, Poland | Since May 2024

- Member of the PZHK Presidium and Coordination Committee with the Polish Equestrian Federation
- Co-creator of breeding policies and regulations
- Representative of breeders and regional associations at national level

President

Silesian-Opole Horse Breeders Association (SOZHK)

Katowice, Poland | Since August 2022

- Strategic leadership over regional breeding programs
- Organizer of breeding events, foal championships, and horse inspections
- Responsible for cooperation with major breeding stations and sports federations

Attorney-at-law

Cichoń Lex - Law Office

Katowice, Poland | Since 2019

- Specialization in civil, commercial, and sports law
- Representation of clients in litigation and arbitration
- Legal advisory for breeding organizations and sports entities

Founder & Managing Director

Cichoń Stallions

Radzionków, Poland | Since 2017

- Operates Poland's leading stallion station in cooperation with Schockemöhle and Helgstrand
- Organizer of major equestrian events: "How to breed a success?" conference, stallion shows, foal auctions, foals and young horses championates
- Promotes innovation in horse breeding and modern sport horse marketing

Education

Master of Laws (LL.M.) – with distinction

University of Silesia, Faculty of Law and Administration

Katowice, Poland | 2011-2015

Author of multiple legal publications

Advocate Traineeship – Katowice Bar Association

Katowice, Poland | 2016-2018

Winner of the Regional and Finalist of the National Rhetoric Contest

Achievements in Equestrian Sports

- Winner of Nations Cup in Budapest 2023 secured Olympic qualification for Team Poland – Paris 2024
- Multiple-time Polish Champion in dressage, regional champion in showjumping
- Represented Poland at the European Youth Championships and World Championships for Young Horses

Organizational and Leadership Experience

- Organizer of Cichoń Stallions Show, Polish Foals and Young Horses
 Championship, Foals Auctions, dressage and showjumping show up to World
 Cup level
- Speaker and host of international equine conferences and breeding symposia
- Active member of breeding policy-making at national level
- Promoter of cooperation between breeders, sports federations, and legal bodies

Languages

- Polish Native
- English Advanced
- German Advanced
- Russian Basic

Executive candidate: Jarosław Lewandowski

Jarosław Lewandowski is the vice- president of the Polish Sport Horse Studbook Commitee, but also serves as the director of the Kuyavian-Pomeranian Horse Breeders Association (KPZHK) based in Bydgoszcz. As a manager, he is responsible for organizing and coordinating activities related to horse breeding in the region. Under his leadership, numerous events are held, such as stallion shows, foals and young horses championates.



Before his career within the PZHK structures, Jarosław was a rider and trainer, and he worked for several Polish and German stallion stations and stud farms.