

Friday 25th April 2025

## Dear Studbooks, Honorary Members, Friends, and Partners of the WBFSH.

On behalf of the Board of the WBFSH I am pleased to invite you to the WBFSH Annual Meetings and General Assembly 2025, in Nottingham Road (South Africa), from 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> October 2025, hosted by the South African Warmblood Horse Society (SAWHS).

This is the first time that the Annual Meetings take place in South Africa, a diverse country that is known for its Rainbow Nation, hospitality and beautiful landscapes.

As it is one of the top priorities of the WBFSH to strengthen the connection between breeding and sport, we encourage you to invite your national federations as well, so feel free to share the invitation to the annual meetings with them.

The coming days we will be based at the newly established facilities of Stud 334. With a focus on both superior genetic material and training, the stud strives to create sport horses that embody the grace, power, and precision that define the sport of show jumping. The program will be filled with seminars and presentations covering a wide range of topics, such as horse welfare, modern technology and trends in equine reproduction, artificial intelligence and the presentation of the State of the Industry Report 2025.

A round table discussion in conjunction with the seminar on latest technology and trends in equine reproduction will take place to explore their potential impacts on breeding. We are securing an exciting panel of experts, that are leaders in their respective fields of the industry.

Keep an eye on our website for regular updates, the detailed programme and documents relating to the seminars and general assembly. Members will be notified of the relevant dates for submissions of elections candidates and motions. Registration details and hotel booking information, as well as deadline dates will all be available on our website.

While we look forward to seeing you all again in person in South Africa, we realise that travel is prohibitive for some of you. Therefore, the General Assembly and seminars will again be recorded. But of course, the programme offers so much more, and the in-person participation allows you to attend a host of interesting seminars and presentations, and of course the cultural visits that promise to make the trip to South Africa a memorable one.

For any queries, please contact the WBFSH office, either Morgane Libotte (morgane.libotte@wbfsh.com) or the general manager Nadine Brandtner (nadine.brandtner@wbfsh.com).

With kind regards,

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