

SEMINAR SCHEDULE WBFSH GA-2025 South Africa



Hosted by SAWHS at Waterwoods Equestrian Estate (version 2025-09-30)

Saturday 11th October 2025			
09h00 - 12h30 Morning Session			
09h00 - 09h30	Official Opening & Welcome		
09h30 - 10h15	Latest technology and trends in equine reproduction: Overview of techniques (such as ICSI, cloning and gene editing including CRISPR-Cas9), their potential impacts on breeding, how they can be controlled/should be controlled?	Robert Blake Russell (Viagen USA)	
10h15 - 10h45	Coffee Break		
10h45 - 12h00	Panel Discussion: Latest technology and trends in equine reproduction: Overview of techniques (such as ICSI, cloning and gene editing including CRISPR-Cas9), their potential impacts on breeding, how they can be controlled/should be controlled?	Moderator: Eva-Maria Livesey Panellists: Robert Blake Russell (Viagen USA), Prof Alan Guthrie (Equine Research Centre University of Pretoria RSA), Dr Göran Åkerström (FEI Federatrion Equestre International SWE), Bérengère Lacroix (Breeding Director Studbook Selle Francais)	
12h00 - 12h30	WBFSH Data Project - presentation	TBC	
12h30 - 13h30 Lunch			
13h30 - 18h00 Afternoon Session			
13h30 - 15h30	General Assembly (Session 1) (WBFSH Members only)		
15h30 - 16h00	Coffee Break		
16h00 - 18h00	General Assembly (Session 2) (WBFSH Members only)		
Sunday 12th October 2025			
08h15 - 12h00 Morning Session (sponsored by Emerald Isle Stud)			
08h15 - 08h30	Opening		
08h30 - 09h15	AI - artificial intelligence in equestrian sports	Eddy Schuurmans (Global Equestrian Technology BEL)	
09h15 - 10h00	Digital Galopp – Online Marketing in the Modern Horse World	Lena Büker (E-Horses GER)	
10h00 - 10h30	Coffee Break		
10h30 - 11h15	Climate Change and Equine Infectious Diseases: an International Perspective	Prof Alan Guthrie (Equine Research Centre University of Pretoria RSA)	
11h15 - 12h00	Veterinary Assistance for horses on the frontlines in conflict zones, with personal encounter for Ukrainian horses in 2022.	Dr Gemma Campling (Worldwide Vets GBR)	
12h00 - 13h00 Lunch			



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Monday 13th October 2025			
08h30 - 12h00 Morning Session (sponsored by Foresyte Stud)			
08h15 - 08h30	Opening		
08h30 - 09h00	FEI Federation Equestre International	Dr Göran Åkerström (FEI Federatrion Equestre International SWE)	
09h00 - 09h45	Presentaion of State of the Industry Report 2024/2025	Department of Development (Renai Hart & Katy Holder-Vale)	
09h45 - 10h15	WBFSH Welfare Project	Prof Jane Williams & Lorna Cameron (Hartpury University GBR)	
10h15 - 10h45	New theories and insights regarding the Equine Collagen Matrix	Beth Shaw (Equine Transeva & SUMCHI Therapy)	
10h45 - 11h15	Coffee Break		
11h15 - 11h45	Live Demo	Beth Shaw (Equine Transeva & SUMCHI Therapy)	