



The Federation of Horses in Education and Therapy, International. A.I.S.B.L.

1974 - 2024

18th International HETI Congress

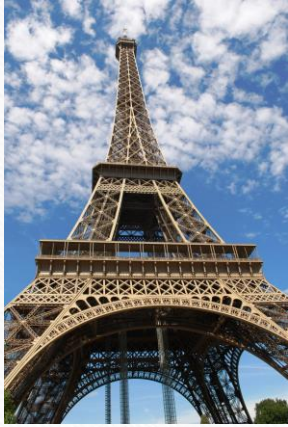
Budapest, Hungary

June 2024

Gisela Heimsath-Rhodes

HETI President

The Beginnings



Paris, (FR), 1974



Basel (CH), 1976



Warwick (GB), 1979



Hamburg (GER), 1982

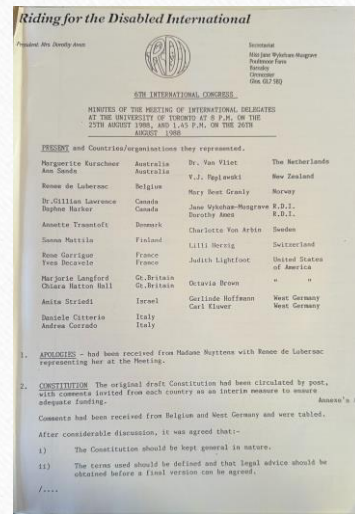
Milan (IT), 1985
Dorothee Ames (Can)



Toronto (CAN), 1988
Dorothee Ames (Can)



Minutes of the first RDI meeting, August 25, 1988 in Toronto, Canada



- Australia (Marguerite Kurschner, Ann Sands)
- Belgium (Renee de Lubersac)
- Canada (Dr. Gillian Lawrence, Daphne Harker)
- Denmark (Annette Traantoft)
- Finland (Sanna Mattila-Rautiainen)
- France (Renee Garrigue, Yves Decavele)
- Gt. Britain (Marjorie Langford, Chiara Hatton Hall)
- Israel (Anita Shkedi)
- Italy (Daniele Citterio, Andrea Corrado)
- Netherlands (Dr. Van Vliet)
- New Zealand (V. J. Poplawski)
- Norway (Mary Best Granly)
- R.D.I. (Jane Wykeham-Musgrave, Dorothy Ames)
- Sweden (Charlotte Von Arbin)
- Switzerland (Lilli Herzig)
- USA (Judith Lightfoot, Octavia Brown)
- West Germany (Gerlinde Hoffmann, Carl Klüwer)



Aarhus, Denmark 1991, Carl Klüwer (Pres)



Constitution

- 1991
- Updated 2003
- Updated 2014

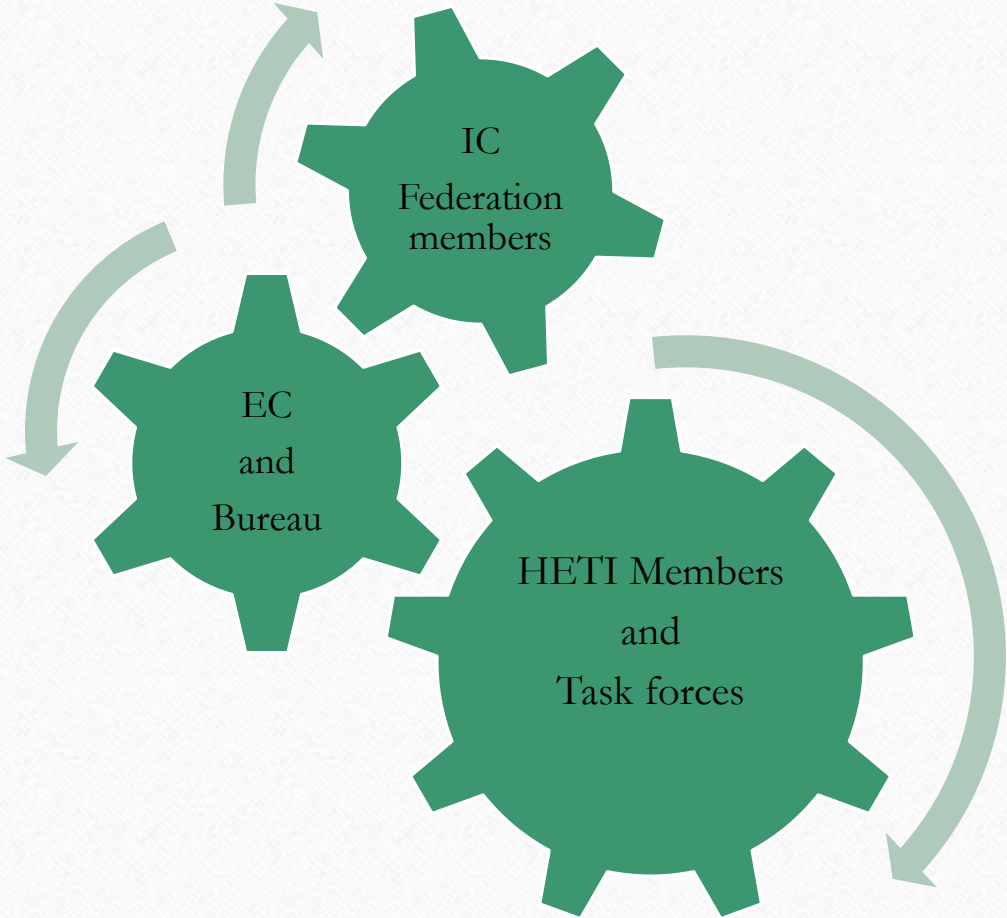
Organisation

International Council

International Executive
Committee

International Bureau

HETI Members



And off we
went...

- Hamilton (NZ) 1994, Carl Klüwer (Germany)
- Denver (USA) 1997, Gillian Lawrence (Canada)
- Angers (FR) 2000, Octavia Brown (USA)
- Budapest (HU) 2003, Octavia Brown (USA)
- Brasilia (BR) 2006, Gundula Hauser (Austria)
- Münster (GER) 2009, Gundula Hauser (Austria))
- Athens (GR) 2012, Pauline Perry (Australia)
- Taipei (TW) 2015, Ann O'Shallie (USA)
- Dublin (IE) 2018, Sanna Mattila-Rautiainen (Finland)
- Seoul (ROK) 2021, Sanna Mattila-Rautiainen (Finland)
- Budapest (HU) 2024, Gisela Heimsath-Rhodes (Germany)



Challenges – Then and Now

Funding

Communication

Cultural differences

Committees/Taskforces

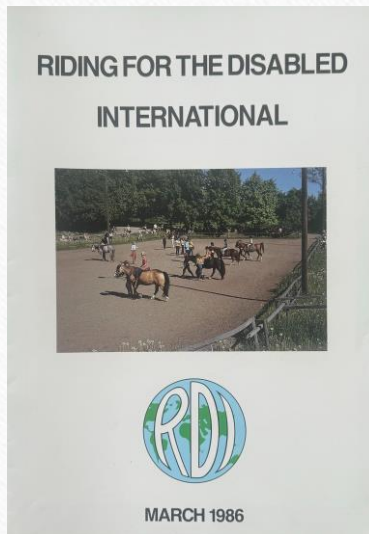
- Committees

- 1992 Bibliography committee
- 1994 Journal
- 1997
 - Medical
 - Educational & Training
 - Fundraising

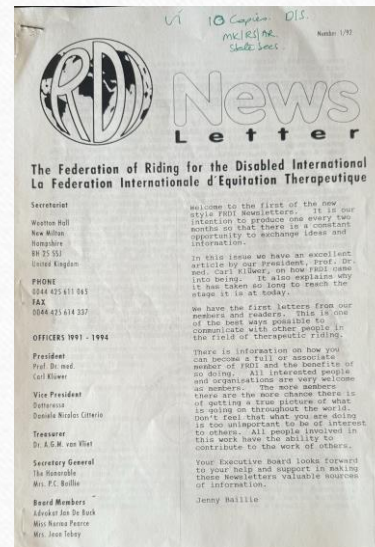
2024 Taskforces

- Terminology
- Education
- Membership, Marketing & Visibility
- Webinars/Podcasts
- Research & Journal
- Sports
- Psychotherapy
- Ethics & Equine Welfare

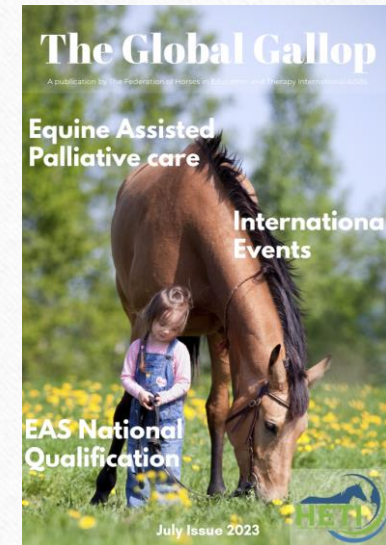
Communication



1986-1990



1991-2018



2018-2024



Publications

From Scientific Journal to HETI Journal: International Research and Practice

- Founded in 1994
- Journal repository
- Peer reviewed since 2014
- Indexing in Crossref Database
- Instant Access for members to search and download articles



Chief editor: Alexandra Stergiou, PhD, Greece
Assoc. editor: Inês Pereira de Figueiredo, PhD Portugal
Outreach Coordinator: Carlos Ganzabal, Spain



- **Practitioner Focus**
- Original research
- Case studies
- Theory & Practice
- Letters to the editor

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Webinars 2023-2024

Roly Owers - Social License and the EAS Sector

Linda Tellington-Jones –The role of posture and pain in equine behavior and how to effect positive change

Dr. Helen Spence - Recognising equine emotions and its role in the field EAS

Rupert Isaacson - HorseBoy Method, Movement Method

Dr. Janet Jones - Myth of Equine Vision

Dr. Andrew McLean - Understanding the 2020 Five Domains model of Animal Welfare

Dr. Susanne Von Dietze - The Horse's movement and how it influences the rider

Andrea Wady – Enriching connection with our equine partners



HEIR – Human Equine Interaction Register
Development of National Registers for
Equine Assisted Practitioners

HEIR UK – Human and Equine
Interaction Register

Launched March 2022

HEIR Ireland

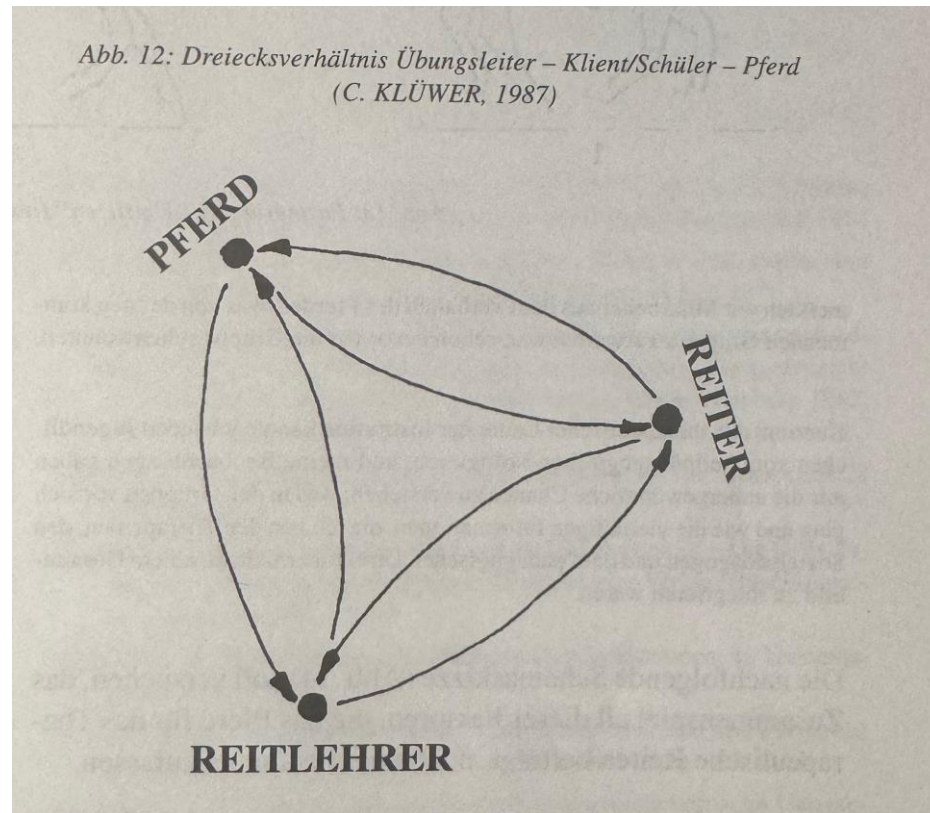
Pilot phase since 2021



Mary Selway-Swift Development Fund

- to promote and improve the educational opportunities, training and quality of riding therapy
- through the development of therapeutic riding programmes internationally

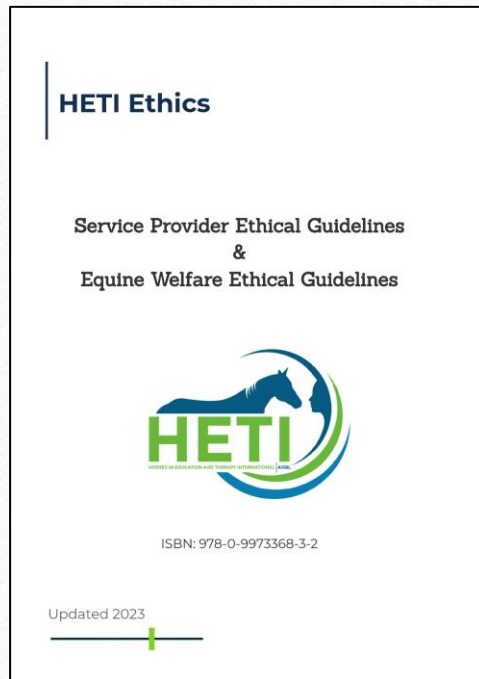
Philosophy



- Klüwer 1987
 - Triangle relationship
Horse-Rider-Instructor
 - Horse is a partner

(Heilpädagogisches Voltigieren und Reiten,
Sonderheft 1995, Herausgeber :DKThR)

Ethical Guidelines for Service Providers & Equines 2020, 2023

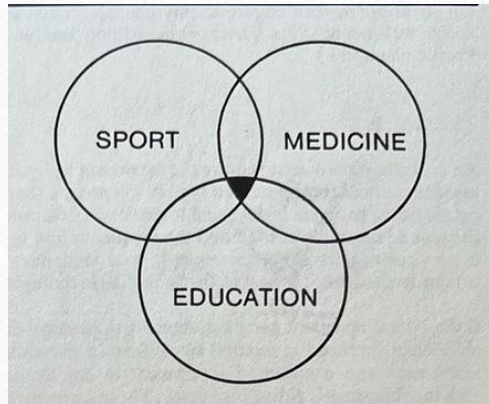


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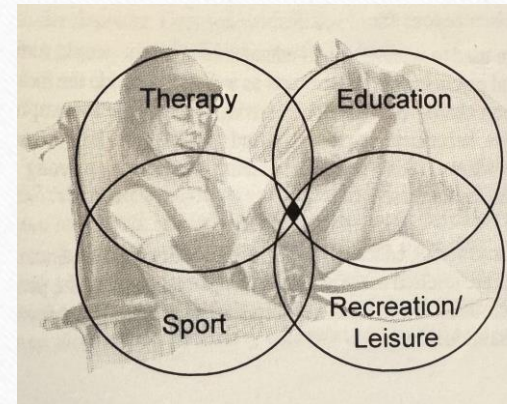


Expanding the Field

- Therapeutic Riding



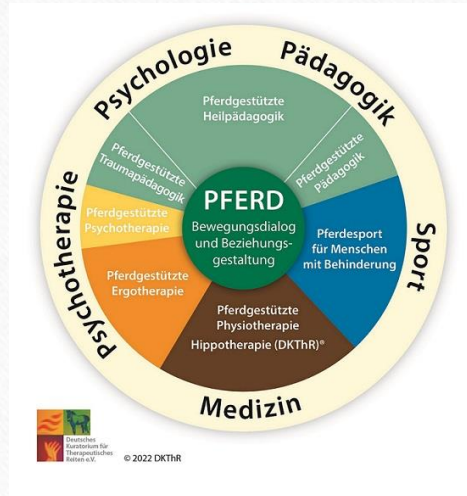
NARHA Instructor Workshop Notebook 1992



NARHA Guide 4/99

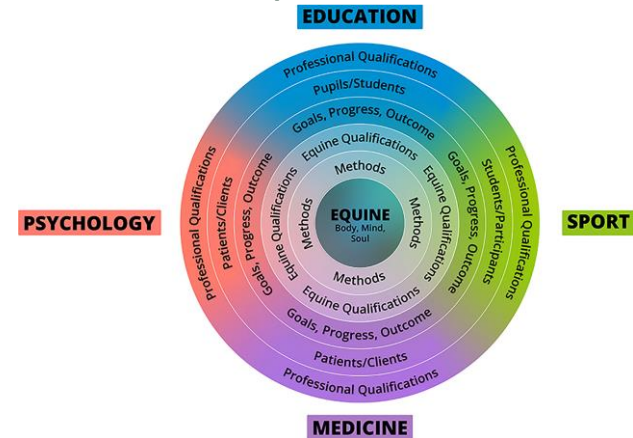
Expanding the Field cont.

- Equine Assisted Services



Deutsches Kuratorium für Therapeutisches Reiten e.V.

Illustration of the field of Equine Assisted Services:



Erasmus+ Project 2019-2022

Expanding the Field cont.



Therapeutic Riding

- Hippotherapy, Therapy, Medical
- Remedial Riding & Vaulting
- Sport

Equine Assisted Services

- Mounted
- Riding
- Vaulting
- Carriage/Driving
- Ground based Interaction
- Horse Observation
- Equine Environment
- Sensory
- Talk-Based
- Web-Based



Hot Topics – Then and Now

Terminology

Education

Certification

Social License to Operate
(SLO)

Who are we?

- **We are worldwide**
- We honor our pioneers
- We care about all equines
 - We work hard
 - We make friends
 - We celebrate
- We are serious about research



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Jenny Baillie



Mary Longden



Carl Klüwer



Anita Shkedi



Octavia Brown



Gillian Lawrence



Sister Chiara



Jean Tebay



Renee Garrigue



Norma Pearce



Gundula Hauser



Marie-Therese Kuypers



Sanna Mattila-Rautiainen

.....and many more



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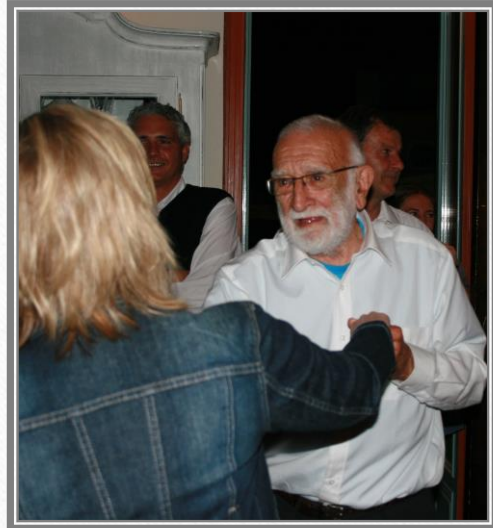
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- **We make friends**
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Who are we?



- **We celebrate**
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Who are we?

- **We are serious about research**
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- We celebrate



Who are we?

We Connect, Communicate, Collaborate



Come and join



Thank you for your attention

Questions? Comments? Suggestions?