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WEVA Congress Features FEI Session

The Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI) ran a special session during the World Equine Veterinary Association (WEVA) Congress, which began in Hyderabad, India, on Nov. 2. Since it is International Veterinary Year—celebrating 250 years of the veterinary profession (visit www. vet2011.org for more information)—the FEI session highlighted the contributions of the veterinary profession to equestrian sport with lectures by eminent speakers in a variety of clinical disciplines in this area. Additionally, FEI President HRH Princess Haya Al Hussein (JOR), opened the Congress with a speech on Nov. 2.

"FEI-regulated competitions are the pinnacle of international equestrian sport," Tim Greet, BVMS, FRCVS, MVM, Cert EO, DESTS, Dipl. ECVS, current WEVA president, said. "We are delighted that the FEI has chosen the 2011 WEVA Conference to celebrate the very long partnership between equestrian sport and veterinary surgeons. The entire WEVA Conference promises to be a very exciting event, and offers our delegates a great opportunity to visit India as well."

FEI Veterinary Committee Chair John McEwen commented, "The FEI marks its 90th anniversary in the same year as (WEVA) marks its 90th anniversary. Equestrian sport is enjoying a massive increase in popularity across Asia, and it is totally appropriate that we should mark these two anniversaries by joining with WEVA at its very comprehensive conference in Hyderabad."

In addition to the FEI continuing education meeting, presenters conducted FEI veterinarian courses at the Congress on Oct. 31 and Nov. 1.

For more on the FEI sessions at the WEVA Congress, visit www.fei.org/veterinary/weva-2011fei-session.—Des Leadon, MA, MVB, MSc, FRCVS, WEVA President's Advisory Council