



**International Workshop on Linear Profiling in the Warmblood Horse
on 14th - 15th March 2018 in Visselhövede and Verden, Germany
– FINAL PROGRAM –**

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

- 10:30 - 11:00 *Arrival (with welcome coffee) and registration / Hotel Hansenhof, Visselhövede*
- 11:00 - 11:05 Welcome and introduction
- 11:05 - 11:20 A. Vicente (Portugal / France):
Breeding for morphological traits in the Lusitano horse - so far and in the future
- 11:25 - 11:35 L. Christmann (Germany):
Linear Profiling in the Hanoverian Society - first experiences
- 11:40 - 12:00 K. Christiansen (Denmark):
Linear scoring in the Danish Warmblood Society – with breeding optima included to avoid extreme breeding
- 12:05 - 12:25 Å. Viklund, E. Thorén Hellsten, S. Mikko, S. Eriksson (Sweden):
Linear profiling in SWB – new breeding values and genetic background
- 12:30 - 13:30 *Lunch break*
- 13:30 - 13:50 Kathrin F. Stock & N. Krienert (Germany):
Genetic profiles in the Oldenburg studbooks indicating the potential of refined linear data
- 13:55 - 14:15 M. D. Gómez Ortiz (Spain):
Integration of linear assessment of conformation traits in the breeding programs: potential and limitations
- 14:20 - 14:40 A. Gmel (Switzerland):
Beyond linear description: using photographs to objectively measure conformation traits in horses
- 14:45 - 14:55 M. Sabbagh (France):
SoGen: a project for breeders
- 15:00 - 15:15 *Coffee break*
- 15:20 - 15:50 *Transfer to the Schwartz Hof, Verden (approx. 30 km)*
- 16:00
- approx. 18:20 Practical group work in the riding arena:
Linear profiling of conformation and performance (with opportunities for testing and getting insight into different linear systems and recording methods)
- 20:00 *Conference dinner / Hotel Hansenhof, Visselhövede*



Thursday, March 15, 2018

- 8:30 - 8:50 R. von Niederhäusern (Switzerland):
Using photographs to visualize breeding standards and to calibrate linear description in the Franches-Montagnes horse breed
- 9:00 - 10:15 Group work on the **focus topics**:
- long-term routine implementation of linear profiling – How to ensure high quality data collection for a larger spectrum of more detailed traits?
 - adoption of linear profiling by breeding advisors and individual breeders – How to ensure appropriate interpretation of linear profiles and improve studbooks' service and support?
 - linear traits in the breeding programs for sport horses – How to focus and provide guidance with the complementary information? (suggestions and experiences)
- 10:15 - 10:30 Coffee break
- 10:30 - 11:00 **Summary and discussion** of the results of the group work, impressions from the theoretical and practical part of the workshop and implications for linear profiling routines and use of linear data by the studbooks. Concluding remarks.

The organizing team is happy to welcome the registered participants from multiple countries on **Wednesday, 14th March 2018, and Thursday, 15th March 2018,** in the Hotel Hansenhof, in **Visselhövede, Germany,** with practical part in the breeding and training stable Schwartz Hof in Verden, Germany.

The place is located in Lower Saxony, within a triangle of cities with international airports (114 km to Hamburg, 64 km to Bremen, 81 km to Hanover). Please find below the exact street addresses, together with information how to get from the conference hotel to the Schwartz Hof - for those travelling by their own car or having rented a car. (Transfer is supposed to be arranged by distributing participants among available cars and extra-shuttle for the others.)

If you have any question concerning the workshop, please do not hesitate to contact the head of the local organization team:

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Looking forward to seeing you soon in Visselhövede!



How to get to there?

Theoretical part of the workshop (14th / 15th March 2018) and conference dinner (14th March 2018):



Hotel Hansenhof

street address: Nindorfer Eichende 2, 27374 Visselhövede

website: <http://www.hotel-hansenhof.de>

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Practical part of the workshop (14th March 2018, afternoon):



Schwartz Hof

street address: Döhlberger Strasse 2, 27283 Verden (Aller)

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