

Junior Legal Counsel

Formed in 1921, the Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI) is the governing body for all international events in Jumping, Dressage and Para Dressage, Eventing, Driving and Para Driving, Endurance and Vaulting. It establishes the regulations and approves equestrian programmes for Championships, Continental and Regional Games as well as the Olympic & Paralympic Games.

FEI promotes equestrianism in all its forms and encourages the development of the FEI equestrian disciplines throughout the world, keeping the welfare of the horse at the heart of all activities.

Today, the FEI has 136 members of National Federations and there are over 4,500 international events annually, including a number of FEI Championships and global FEI series. Over 120,000 athletes and horses are registered and women and men compete as equals.

Over 95 FEI staff are working in FEI's Headquarters in Lausanne, ensuring the sport continues to grow and flourish, the rules are enforced, the results are processed, the international calendar is managed, and that the very values that are at the core of equestrian sport are safeguarded and promoted.

Purpose of the Role

The FEI Legal Department is currently looking for a Junior Legal Counsel. The role is based in Lausanne with a start date in February 2022. The candidate will work 100% and will report directly to the Deputy Legal Director.

The successful candidate will provide legal support to all FEI Departments and stakeholders. Drafting, negotiating and reviewing a large numbers of agreements will be the main responsibilities of the retained candidate.

Key Responsibilities

- To draft, negotiate, and review a wide range of contracts related mainly to sponsorship, broadcast, licensing, communications;
- Manage the FEI Named-Events Bid Processes and the drafting of Host Agreements;
- Servicing legal needs of any FEI Department as well as the National Federations and stakeholders;
- To provide support in the FEI Rules revision process;
- To provide general support within the Legal department, such as anti-doping matters: and
- Other duties as assigned.



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Position Requirements

- Bachelor/(Master) degree in Law;
- Minimum 1 to 3 years' experience as a qualified lawyer in the required core areas;
- Excellent drafting skills;
- Fluent in English (English mother tongue preferable), fluency in French or any other languages is a plus;
- Excellent command of MS Office;
- Strong organizational, communication and relationship-building skills;
- Team player who is self-motivated, responsible and can work autonomously; and
- Experience of sport law is a plus.

You will be working in first class facilities, downtown Lausanne, accessible from public transportation within minutes from Lac Léman. We will be happy to present you other benefits we offer.

The FEI is committed to diversity and inclusion within its workforce, and encourages all candidates, irrespective of gender, nationality, sexual orientation, religious and ethnic backgrounds, including persons living with disabilities, to apply to become a part of the organisation.

If you meet the position requirements, We want you! We are a dynamic Sports Federation and we would gladly receive your application at: recruitment@fei.org by 5 January 2022.

Only applicants being Swiss, resident of Switzerland with a valid work permit or EU citizen will be taken into consideration for the recruiting process.