

International Mounted Games Association International Development Sub-Committee

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As reported in the previous quarterly update, recruitment packs have already been sent out to 65 countries around the world with a second wave of mailings now having also been sent to a further 96 countries. All national FEI affiliated federations (as well as a number of non FEI affiliated countries) have now been contacted and given our full sales pitch.

In the meantime, regular e-mail remainders and follow-up are being done on a monthly basis to those new countries that have been contacted and we now have ongoing dialogue with a number of interested countries from around the world including...

Spain, Bermuda, Ghana, Hungary, Cuba, Mauritius, Namibia, Poland, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, San Marino, Swaziland, Finland, Pakistan, Afghanistan and The Turks and Caicos Islands

Of these we expect Spain to complete their membership process within the next couple of months. Finland, Hungary, Pakistan and San Marino are also looking quite promising.

Special mention also for Kim Elizabeth Guého, the president of the Equestrian Federation of Mauritius who is spearheading an effort to get as many southern African countries up and running ahead of the 2017 IMGA World Team Championships in South Africa. Namibia, Zambia, Lesotho and Swaziland, as well as Mauritius themselves look to be very realistic targets in this regard.

Sadly we also did receive an answer from the Dutch Equestrian Federation, which although very courteous, made it very clear that they were not in the least bit interested in promoting our sport in the Netherlands.

Members of the sub-committee:

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