

PONY BALKAN CONFERENCE IN BULGARIA

Partnership between :

**EURO PONY-CLUB / BULGARIAN EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION / FRENCH EQUESTRIAN
FEDERATION**

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Organization of the seminar

12 coaches and managers took part to the PONY Balkan Conference organized in partnership with the Euro pony-club, the Bulgarian Equestrian federation and the French Equestrian Federation

Daily Organization

The day is divided between **sessions in the classroom** based on the knowledge of the child, pedagogy adapted to child, drawing an Equifun course with a course designer, exchanges between the participants....

Practical sessions : practical sessions with children, and sessions of ponies training



The objectives of this mission

The main points of this seminar :

- **Knowledge and training of the ponies**
 - The relationship between the coach and the cavalry

- **The knowledge of the child :**
 - How to build the teaching adapted to the age and the level of the child
 - Presentation of the French exams : « Galops Poneys » adapted to children from 3 to 10
 - The teaching card : an essential tool
 - How to teach to a group of children
 - Practical sessions with children

- **Taking in account the needs and wishes of the managers and coaches**
 - Exchanges of the experiences

Ressources of the equestrian structures

- Professional competent teachers, coaches and managers
- Adapted ponies
- Indoor and outdoor areas

Contraints of the equestrian structures

- Few ponies
- Few pony riders
- Few activities proposed to children
- Improve the training of ponies
- Few official competitions

Proposal of ways of development of the Pony branch of the Bulgarian Equestrian Federation

Sale of licences to the riders competitors or not

Implementation of national exams adapted to children and registered on their federal riding licence in accordance with the federal development plan (type of the french gallops)

Organization of official competition adapted to the children and the ponies : Equifun, carrousel, jumpings, pony games...

Organization of regional and national pony championships in Carrousel - Equifun - Vaulting - jumping ...

Implementation of the first level of teachers specialized for children : definition of the program and the requirements



