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EPMA congratulates Jean-Pierre Kratzer as new Chairman of the European Trotting Union.

Jean-Pierre Kratzer was chosen to head the European Trotting Union (UET) at the General Assembly of the organization during the Prix d'Amerique racing week-end in Paris on 30th January.

Mr Kratzer, Chairman of the Swiss Racing Federation, is a strong defender of the Pari Mutuel model and has always supported EPMA activities at EU level and in the European States, notably in Belgium last year.

The common pool organized for horse race betting between Pari Mutuel operators (PMU and Loterie Romande) initiated 20 years ago by Mr Kratzer, remains the reference and cross-border financing model of the equine sector in Europe.

The new Chairman of UET intends to push forward the model by increasing UET communication and lobbying activities. As an example, on that day, a resolution to explain and support the French levy to finance horseracing was signed by the 19 members of the Association.

EPMA members wish to warmly thank Patrik Sandin, for the fruitful and strong collaboration during his term in office of 4 years as Chairman of UET.

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Members of EPMA are present in 10 countries, traditionally active in developing horseracing and horse breeding (Austria, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and United Kingdom). They wish to share their common concerns about developing efficient regulations taking into account the promotion of the equine sector and consumer's fairness and protection.

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