European Jersey Forum

General Assembly
Switzerland 2026

Nottwil

November 14 to 17th



Agenda

Saturday 14th November, 2.30-6.00pm

1) Welcome by Organizers and EJF

Introduction to farming in Switzerland Special emphasis on dairy & Jerseys.

2) Apologies

3) Minutes of 2025 meeting held in Germany

   i) Matters arising

4) President & General Secretary Reports

   i) Activities

   ii) other matters

5) Finances

   i) Cash Balance

   ii) Subscription rates

   iii) Meeting attendee Levy

6) Amendments to Art. 5-8 of the constitution – Voting

7) Election of the Committee members

Coffee break

8) Grass milk program in Switzerland

9) Breed Development & promotion _ part 1

   i) Status of JX bulls in European countries

   ii) Workshop presentation: Type & classification

Other business

Minutes of 2025 meeting, Germany

- Adjustment of the meeting attendee levy
- Exchange on JX bulls' status in Europe
- Follow up of the working groups

President & Secretary Reports

- Follow up of the working groups
- Communication on social medias
- Students exchanges across countries
- JX bulls' registration exchange
- Preparation of the 2026 meeting
- Accompanying new Jersey association : Belgium

Finances

Income statement 2025

Date	Description	Income	Expenses
		Euro	Euro
oct-25	EJF fee 2025 France	200,00	
oct-25	EJF fee 2025 UK	400,00	
nov-25	EJF fee 2025 Jersey Island	200,00	
nov-25	EJF fee 2025 Netherlands	400,00	
nov-25	EJF fee 2025 Norway	200,00	
nov-25	EJF fee 2025 Denmark	600,00	
dec-25	EJF fee 2025 ANAJER	200,00	
dec-25	EJF fee 2025 Switzerland	200,00	
dec-25	EJF fee 2025 Czech Republic	200,00	
août-26	EJF fee 2025 - ANAFIBJ	200,00	
aout-25	income	155,00	
nov-25	Retrocession EJF 2025 Germany	1 999,98	
oct-25	EJF secretary 24/25		1680,00
	Bank fee 2025		24,00
	Interest 2025		
	Total	**4 954,98**	**1 704,00**
	Balance 2025	**3 250,98**	

Finances

Bank Journal 2025

Date	Description	Income	Expenses	Accum. Bal.
		Euro	Euro	Euro
	Balance 2024 (31/12/2024)			**3 917,93**
oct-25	EJF fee 2025 France	200,00		
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nov-25	EJF fee 2025 Jersey Island	200,00		
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	Balance 2025 (31/12/2025)	**3 050,98**		**6 968,91**

Finances

Income sources

- Subscriptions rate : 200 € each 30 000 registered HB cows
- Meeting attendee levy : 3% of the registration fee

  permanent rule introduced in 2025 : previously 10€ per attendee

- Bank account 01/11/2026 : 5 368,91 €
- Annual fees 2026 : +3 000 € expected

Constitution amendments

Article 5, Annual meeting

The EJF holds one physical Annual Meeting each year. The Annual Meeting shall be hosted by one of the member countries, with the hosting country rotating between the member countries.

A member country wishing to host an EJF Annual Meeting must submit its application before or at the preceding EJF meeting. The EJF committee will decide and appoint shortly afterwards.

The invitation to the Annual Meeting, including the proposed agenda, shall be sent by the Secretary General to all member countries at least two months prior to the meeting.

The Second Vice-President shall be appointed annually by the committee during the Annual Meeting. The elected person shall be a representative of the member country hosting the following year's Annual Meeting.

Constitution amendments

Article 6, General Assembly (1/2)

The governing body of the EJF is the General Assembly.

The General Assembly consists of representatives of all the members.

The General Assembly will meet the year prior to the International World Jersey Conference. In any year when the WJ Council meets in Europe the EJF has the option to combine its meeting with the Council, decided by the EJF committee. The meeting place must change between the member countries.

Each member country represented shall have a number of votes based on its officially registered cow population. The number of votes is then multiplied by ten. Where more than one association represents the breed in a member country, the total number of votes allocated to that country shall be divided between the associations concerned.

*1-25.000 cows = 1 vote * 10 = 10 votes / 25.001-50.000 cows = 2 votes * 10 = 20 votes / +50.001 = 3 votes*10 = 30 votes .*

The votes based on the number of cows may be transferred by proxy among the member societies by a notice in writing to the office of the EJF.

Constitution amendments

Article 6, General Assembly (2/2)

The competency of the General Assembly is as follows:

- Designation of the host country of the EJF-annual meetings and General Assemblies.
- Election of the President, Vice Presidents and election of the EJF-Committee members.
- Acceptance of the activities, report and finances of the European Jersey Forum.
- Fixing of the annual membership fee.
- Approval and modification of the constitution.
- Dissolution of the EJF.

Resolutions to be passed on a majority vote, except those resolutions to alter the constitution, to change the fees or on the admission of new members, must have a majority of two-third of all those voting.

Invitations for the General Assembly, including the agenda, must be sent out by the Secretary General at least two months in advance.

Terms of reference of the General Assembly will be prepared by the Committee.
All meetings and correspondence will be in English.
The Committee and/or Secretaries of the member herd books and associations may meet in between the General Assemblies.

Constitution amendments

Article 7, President

The President must be elected by the delegates and will serve till next General Assembly. Re-election is possible to a maximum of 7 years serving period.

The President is nominated as World Jersey Vice President for Europe.

Two Vice-Presidents are elected, designated as first Vice-President and second Vice-President.

The second Vice-President must come from the country hosting the next annual meeting. He is appointed annually by the committee for a one-year period.

The President and the first Vice-President cannot come from the same Country.

The President and the Vice-President will chair the General Assembly, and they are in charge of the management affairs of the EJF conference.

They will be assisted by the Secretary General and the EJF Committee.

Constitution amendments

Article 8, Committee

The EJF Committee has 5 members, all to be elected at the General Assembly by secret ballot and a second vice president recommended by the next EJF hosting country and appointed for the period of one year by the EJF committee.

The EJF committee will serve for a period in between two General Assemblies.

Re-election is possible.

The General Assembly also elect an additional substitute member who will join the committee should an initial member unexpectedly leave its position.

Terms of reference for the Committee are:

- To discuss and progress matters from the General Assembly.
- To formulate conference agenda and related issues.
- To identify new requirements.
- To discuss and progress matters from and for the World Jersey Cattle Bureau.
- To discuss and progress matters from and for other international organisations.
- To form the budget.
- To coordinate and make recommendations.

Election of the EJF committee

2026-2029 term

Candidates for election

Position	**Candidate**
Chairperson	Jurgen KOUWERT - Germany
Vice-Chairperson	Bent OLESEN – Denmark
Board Members (3)	Benoit GUIOULLIER – France Maike OEGEMA – Nederland Erik Mikal TJALAND – Norway Raffaele DI CIOMMO – Italy
Substitute member	.....
2nd Vice-Chairperson	Michael COLWELL – UK

Breed development & Promotion

- Status of JX bulls in European countries
- Classification & type working group

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Agenda

Monday 16th November, 8.30-11 am

Common Jersey evaluation in Europe, *Haifa Splittorff, CEO of NAV*

9) Breed Development & promotion _ part 2

iii) Workshop presentation: Milk price – Center of excellence for Jersey Breeding and Management - Monogenetic traits

vi) Jersey Haplotype DOCK8 / JM1, *Franz Seefried, Qualitas AG*

v) Discussion and follow up

Coffee break

10) Grass mixture used in Swiss paddocks

11) Date & Venue of Future Meetings

12) Other business

Date & Venue of Future Meetings

2026 Switzerland

2027 UK

2028

2029

Other business