

**Press Release**

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**2009 FEI European Championship Reining in Germany  
For the first time plus EC for Junior and Young Riders**

**October 7-11, 2009, Kreuth (Oberpfalz)/ Germany**

The 2009 FEI European Championship Reining is scheduled for October 7 to 11, 2009. The event is organized by NRHA Germany at the beautiful Kreuth facility (close to Nuremberg, Germany). The facility which offers excellent conditions especially for western shows is one of the most beautiful and renowned show facilities in Europe with major international events. It is the first time that an FEI European Championship Reining comes to Germany. And this event will be another milestone in the history of reining as it includes the first European Championship for junior and young riders ever.

„NRHA Germany is really honoured and proud to be able to organize this renowned event,“ says Kay Wienrich, NRHA Germany president and coach of the German team. “And a very special thing is the first EC for young and junior riders. Kreuth should be an excellent chance of preparing for the WEG in Kentucky as well.”

The first FEI European Championship Reining was organized in Italy in 2003. Since then, this event unites European reiners every two years.

**FEI and Reining**

**2000** FEI accepts Reining as another FEI equestrian discipline

**2002** First nations qualify for the WEG during a CRIO

**2002** World Equestrian Games in Jerez (Spain): reining is part of it .

**2003** First FEI European Championship Reining in Reggio Emilia (Italy).

**2004** First FEI World Reining Masters in Oklahoma City, OK.

**2006** World Equestrian Games at Aachen

**2007** EC at Mooslargue, France

**2008** first FEI World Championship Reining

**2009** First FEI European Championship Reining for Junior and Young Riders

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