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### **PRESS RELEASE**

#### **A FIRST IN SWITZERLAND: AN INDOOR CROSS COUNTRY CLASS**

The CHI Geneva is once again on an innovative streak! Next December, Switzerland's first and only indoor cross country course will welcome some top notch eventing riders, a couple of Olympic champions and a selected few Swiss participants in the arena in Geneva. The class will be solely constructed of natural fences. A fabulous opportunity for the world's largest interior arena to exploit its lake, its bank as well as its training paddock.

For the past few years, the idea of an inside cross country class has been blooming in the minds of the Geneva organisers. With all the necessary infrastructures available, Geneva has the opportunity to extend its programme to englobe a cross country trial. And this will be the case this year! Peter Hasenböhler, a well-known course designer also present in Aix-la-Chapelle (CCIO) as assistant of Rüdiger Schwarz, will be in charge of drawing the course, extending the main arena to include the adjacent training paddock. The course will include log fences, bushes, brush fences, shark teeth, as well as the current bank and lake, both famous attributes of the Geneva arena. Welcome the outdoors inside!

The public will be able to follow the course on both arenas as the competitors will be filmed; the screens in the showground transmitting simultaneously. The indoor cross country at the CHI Geneva will take place during the evening of Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December and will be followed by a driving derby, built using the natural obstacles of the cross country instead of the traditional cones.

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