



NEW HEAD OF FINANCE AT THE IRISH EQUINE CENTRE

8th June 2017

Patrick Kelly has been appointed as the new Head of Finance at the Irish Equine Centre.

Patrick is a Chartered Accountant and was educated at University of Westminster London and Dublin Business School. He joined the Irish Equine Centre in June 2017 taking on the role of Head of Finance. Previously, Patrick has worked as a Finance Director for US public companies listed on the NASDAQ and New York Stock exchanges in the Technology and Software sectors. Patrick has had a huge interest in the racing industry all his life and is a regular race goer.

Speaking about his new role, Patrick said: *"I am delighted to have been given the opportunity to join the Irish Equine Centre, which does an outstanding job in protecting the health of the Irish equine population. Horse racing has always been a big part of my life and I look forward to working both with the team at the Irish Equine Centre and the wider industry, to ensure that the Centre continues to be at the forefront of vital on-going research and disease prevention."*

Welcoming the appointment, Sarah McNicholas, Chief Executive of the Irish Equine Centre, said: *"I am really pleased that someone of Patrick's background and experience has agreed to undertake the role of Head of Finance. Patrick's strong financial and commercial expertise, combined with his deep interest in the equine industry, will enhance the Centre's ability to provide the world class service which the industry must have to sustain its global reputation."*



Patrick Kelly

Information on the Irish Equine Centre

The Irish Equine Centre (IEC) is an independent, not-for-profit organisation whose aim is to protect the wellbeing of Ireland's horse population. As the primary equine diagnostic and research facility in Ireland it serves the overall interest of the Irish equine industry by its unceasing vigilance in seeking to maintain Ireland's "low disease status". This ensures that the Irish horse is seen as valuable asset by the international community.

Our diagnostic and advisory services are informed by scientific excellence which is created by advanced and multi-disciplinary research into existing and emerging diseases. In addition, the IEC is active in the education of other constituent groups in the equine world and maintains a strong dialogue with other research faculties and its international counterparts.