

AHMAD HAMSHO
CELEBRATING FOR
SYRIA

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SYRIA CELEBRATED AFTER ITS OWN AHMAD HAMSHO QUALIFIED FOR THE WORLD EQUESTRIAN GAMES DUE TO TAKE PLACE IN KENTUCKY, USA, THIS COMING OCTOBER.

The youngest Arab rider ever to qualify for the WEG, at 18 years of age, Hamsho is currently based in Europe and has been training with German trainer Oliver Lemmer for a year.

Young Hamsho has been competing during the summer in several shows in Europe some of which were the GCT of Cannes, Monte Carlo, and Valkenswaard where he qualified for the WEG.

Three months back Hamsho started on Wonder Boy, an 11 year old Belgium Warmblood and previously ridden by British number one Ben Maher.

When asked on his expectations, Hamsho answered, "Well, I wish I had enough time to ride Wonder Boy since I'll be competing with him, but I'm wishing for the best. I'm not nervous what so ever even though I know those competitions are going to be of a higher calibre than the shows I compete at — except I'm very excited, naturally. This is an achievement for both my country and I, and I look forward to being there."

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Photo captions: Hamsho riding at the GCT in Valkenswaard

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