

ICAR Certificate of Quality: Breeding Services of the Slovak Republic

Auditor(s)' Report for the ICAR Executive Board

Name(s) of Auditor(s) and areas audited: Charl Hunlun, Service-ICAR Srl Identification of Beef Cattle Performance recording of Beef Cattle Data processing
Date of audit: Visited audit – 29 May to 3 June 2014
Applicant: Breeding Services of the Slovak Republic (PSSR)
Activities for which the ICAR Certificate of Quality are requested: Identification of Beef Cattle Performance recording of Beef Cattle Data processing
Auditor's recommendation for the granting or refusal of the ICAR Certificate of Quality: It is recommended that the ICAR Certificate of Quality is granted to the applicant in respect of all activities applied for.
In the event of a negative recommendation , for the whole or part of the application, list the areas requiring attention and give a résumé as to reasons for non-acceptance and or non-compliance. Please list in order of priority. <i>This section has to refer to any breach of national law or ICAR Guidelines, quoting references.</i> Not applicable.
In the event of a positive recommendation , please list any areas which, in the opinion of the auditor(s), would improve performance or service to the applicants farmers/customers. None.

Review

Auditors to give a résumé of each of the areas for which the applicant requested audit and how in the auditors' opinion the applicant was providing service.

Identification

Résumé:

The PSSR is responsible for the national animal identification system in the Slovak Republic and maintains the national central animal register, records holding facilities, animals and animal movements nationally and labels and distributes the ear tags to the farmers. All the relevant procedures for beef cattle are in accordance to the relevant national and EU regulations and fully conform to the relevant ICAR Guidelines.

Transport

Résumé:

Not applicable.

Production recording

Résumé:

A-Methods are used exclusively for beef cattle production recording. Beef herds outside of Most Pribratslave, north-east of Bratislava, Holič, Skalica and Iža was visited and the relevant procedures and practices were observed and were found to be in accordance with the relevant ICAR Guidelines. The testing for scales were discussed and the relevant procedures were observed. All scales are owned by the applicant and are subject to compulsory annual recalibration.

Laboratory

Résumé:

Not applicable.

Data processing

Résumé:

The data processing centre in Žilina was visited in 2103 and the relevant procedures concerning data capturing, processing, storage and distribution were discussed. All relevant procedures were inspected and discussed again during the current visit. PSSR uses an integrated database where all the records from the national animal identification system, production recording and herd book data are functionally inter-related. All the relevant procedures are in accordance to the ICAR Guidelines.

Genetic evaluation

Résumé:

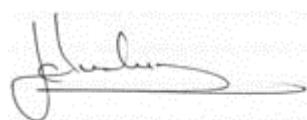
Not applicable.

Other comments/remarks/opinions not covered above

The Breeding Services of the Slovak Republic was represented by:

Dr. Stefan Ryba – Director, Ms. Marta Dianova and Ms. Martina Rafajova.

All presentations were managed expertly and professionally and all questions were answered openly and clearly. All staff was very helpful during all stages of the audit.



Charl Hunlun
Auditor

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