



Minutes of the 2014 ICAR General Assembly Berlin, Germany, 21st May, 2014

1. Call to Order

Uffe Lauritsen, President of ICAR, opened the General Assembly and welcomed all delegates of ICAR Members, observers and guests attending the General Assembly. He then declared the General Assembly had been attended by majority of Members that it can make legally valid decisions.

The agenda of the General Assembly was approved as presented.

2. Approval of the minutes of the 2013 General and Extraordinary Assemblies

The minutes of the General Assembly and Extraordinary General Assembly held in Aarhus, Denmark, on 29 May 2013 were previously circulated and no comments were received by the Secretariat.

Motion: It was duly moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the 2013 General Assembly and Extraordinary General Assembly were approved as presented.

3. President's Report

Uffe Lauritsen presented President's Report on activities in the period between the two General Assemblies. Full text of the President's report has been distributed to delegates and attached to these minutes.

Motion: It was duly moved, seconded and carried that the President's report was received as presented.

4. Treasurer Report

4.1 Inspector's Report

Josef Kučera, ICAR Inspector, presented Inspectors' Report prepared by Neil Petreny and himself. He informed that the accounting prepared by the Board represents a true representation of the real state of the ICAR balance and finances.

Motion: It was duly moved, seconded and carried that the Inspectors' Report was received as presented.

4.2 2013 Year End Financial Statements

Andrea Rosati presented the 2013 Year End Financial Statement and a Profit and Loss Statement.

Motion: It was duly moved, seconded and carried that the 2013 Financial Statements were approved as presented.



4.3 Fee Structure

Pierre-Louis Gastinel presented the new fee structure approved by the ICAR Board. He underlined that the new fee structure reflects developments in activities of ICAR Members. In reply to the question posed by Jean-Francois Duckerts, delegate of Belgium, related to the format of requests for membership fee payment, he informed that the Secretariat would send to Members a detailed information on the fee structure.

4.4 Revision of 2014 and 2015 Budget

Andrea Rosati presented draft 2015 budget approved by the ICAR Board.

Motion. It was duly moved, seconded and carried that the 2015 budget is approved as presented.

5. Election new Board members

Uffe Lauritsen informed that the Secretariat received candidacies of Kaivo Ilves (Estonia), Jay Mattison (USA), Bianca Lind (Germany), Laurent Journaux (France) and Neils Henning Nielsen (Denmark) and invited candidates to stand up and present themselves.

Kaivo Ilves (Estonia), Jay Mattison (USA), Bianca Lind (Germany), Laurent Journaux (France) and Neils Henning Nielsen (Denmark) were unanimously elected by acclamation as members of the ICAR Board for the four year term.

Neil Petreny and Josef Kučera were unanimously re-elected by acclamation ICAR Inspectors for the term of four years.

6. Approval of new Guidelines

Uffe Lauritsen informed that new guidelines proposed by Sub-Committees and Working Groups have been placed on the ICAR web site for comments and proposed that they be approved as presented.

Motion. It was duly moved, seconded and carried that the following Guidelines were approved as presented:

- Section 10.1.3-10.1.6 Scope and formal steps for achieving an ICAR certification of identification devices
- Section 10.7 Testing and certification of permanent identification devices;
- Section 10.8 Testing and certification of permanent identification devices. Part.2: External RFID devices
- New Guidelines: "Cashmere goat identification and cashmere combing management, fibre harvesting and grading"
- Amendments to the "Standards and guidelines for performance recording in dairy sheep"
- Guidelines for supervision of parentage.

The Section 10.1.1. ICAR Testing and certification procedures for ID devices was updated during the Session and will be placed on the web site for comments before going for approval.



7. Presentation of Strategic Plan "Future ICAR"

Hans Wilmink, Vice President of ICAR, presented the Strategic Plan "Future ICAR" approved by the ICAR Board. The General Assembly endorsed the Plan and the future orientation of ICAR in changing environment in which ICAR Members operate. The Strategic Plan would be placed on the ICAR web site.

8. Presentation of new Members

Japie van der Westhuizen presented new ICAR Members admitted by the ICAR Board in the period between the two General Assemblies:

- VIT, IT-solutions for Animal Production (Germany)
- FEAGAS (Spain - replacing the former member)
- Breeding Cooperative Impuls (Czech Republic)
- Romanian Holstein Breeders Association (Romania)
- Shanghai Dairy Breeding Centre Co. Ltd (China)
- EMBRAPA – Brazilian Agricultural Research Corporation (Brazil)
- Ministry of Agriculture of Lebanon (Lebanon)
- National Livestock Identification System Ltd. (Australia)

Lely Industries (The Netherlands) and Rezare Systems Ltd (New Zealand) were admitted Associate Members.

9. Certificate of Quality

Charl Hunlun presented ICAR Members to which the Certificate of Quality has been accorded and delivered by the President during this Assembly:

1. VIT, IT-solutions for Animal Production (Germany): for Genetic Evaluation of dairy and beef cattle.
2. Italian Breeders' Association (Italy): ID dairy cattle, beef cattle, buffalo, dairy sheep and goats. PR dairy cattle, beef cattle, buffalo, dairy sheep and goats, lab analysis.
3. Slovak Breeding Services (Slovakia): ID dairy cattle, PR dairy cattle, GE dairy cattle, lab analysis.
4. Polish Cattle Breeders (Poland): ID dairy cattle, PR dairy cattle, lab analysis, data processing.
5. ZAR (Austria): PR dairy and beef cattle.
6. Czech Moravian Breeders (Czech Republic): ID dairy cattle, PR dairy cattle, GE dairy cattle, linear classification dairy cattle, lab analysis, data processing.
7. The Croatian Agricultural Agency for ID of dairy and beef cattle, dairy sheep and goats, production Recording in dairy cattle, sheep and goats, genetic evaluation of dairy cattle and other species and laboratory analysis and data processing.
8. State Agency Agriculture (Latvia): ID dairy and beef cattle; ID dairy sheep and goats; Performance Recording dairy and beef cattle; Performance Recording dairy sheep and goats; GE dairy cattle, data processing.



9. France Génétique Elevage (France): Dairy I/d, production and genetic evaluation cattle, sheep and goats; Beef cattle I/d and production Recording and beef genetic evaluation beef; lab analysis and data processing.
10. RYK (Denmark): Identification and production recording in dairy and beef cattle, genetic evaluation of dairy cattle; lab analysis and data processing.
11. SAC/EGENES (UK): Genetic evaluation of dairy cattle, beef cattle and sheep.
12. ICBF (Ireland): Identification, production recording and genetic evaluation in dairy cattle, beef cattle and meat sheep.
13. CIS (UK): ID and PR in dairy cattle; lab analysis and data processing.
14. ASR (Switzerland): ID dairy and beef cattle; PR dairy and beef cattle; lab analysis; GE dairy and beef cattle; data processing.
15. ARC (South Africa): ID dairy cattle, beef cattle; RP dairy cattle, beef cattle, dairy sheep, meat sheep, meat goats; GE dairy cattle, beef cattle; Lab analysis and data processing for members.
16. Holstein-UK: ID dairy cattle; type evaluation; herdbook activities; data processing and type classification.

10. Awards

Jay Mattison delivered the Distinguished Service Awards to:

- Reinhard Reents
- Pierre-Louis Gastinel
- Uffe Lauritsen.

and the Distinguished Service Certificates to:

- Francis Barillet
- Juraj Candràk
- Bevin Harris
- Dan Meihak
- David Hewitt
- Egil Brenne
- Georges Psathas
- Jan Floor
- Franz Schallerl

11. Invitation to the 2015 and 2016 General Assemblies

Danuta Radzio presented Krakow as the venue for the 2015 General Assembly and Technical Workshop on performance recording in the genotyped world to be held on 10-12 June 2015. Closed meetings of Sub-Committees, Working Groups and Task Forces would be held on 8 and 9 June.

Carlos Trejo, Director of Coorispem, Chile, presented Hotel Patagonico in Porto Varas as the venue of the 2016 General Assembly and the ICAR Biennial Session to be held in last week of October 2016.



12. Other Business

No issues were raised under this agenda item.

13. Adjourn

Uffe Lauritsen adjourned the General Assembly and thanked delegates and observers in attendance, the present and outgoing members of the ICAR Board, members of Sub-Committees, Working Groups and Task Forces and the ICAR staff for their contribution in attaining ICAR objectives during the period between the two General Assemblies.