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**ICAR Chief Executive Report for ICAR Board Meeting
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Chief Executive Report to ICAR Board

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1 Priorities

1.1 CE and ICAR Team 2017 priorities are:

- ✓ Financial - Quarterly Management Reporting
- ✓ GenoEx PSE & Accreditation - Implement
- ✓ ICAR & Interbull Task Force – implement
- ✓ Sensor Task Force – set baseline/guidelines for members.
- ✓ Guidelines 2017 Project - Revamp
- ✓ Global Reach – Latin America – Support Pilot.
- ✓ Building Bridges with Key Organisations – Foster strategic alliances /agreements; Including EU: IDF; ISO; EFFAB, DG SANCO, ASAD etc.
- ✓ Building ICAR's QMS in line ISO 17065 – ICAR ISO accreditation for S-ICAR as a Certification Body (CB) review further in 2017.

2 Update on Action Items from Previous ICAR Board Meeting(s)

Table 1. Update Action Items that are not addressed in this Feb 10th CE Board

<u>Area</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Status</u>
2.1 EU Genetic reference centres for Genetic evaluations	Interbull/ICAR to send explanatory letter to all European members to recommend that they in turn contact their respective government bodies to propose Interbull for the 2018 call.	Joint letter sent to all EU ICAR members on 03 rd January 2017. Board now awaits proposal /submittal from Interbull. In meantime Laurent to share French list of EU Competent Authority contacts.
2.2 MASC FTI Project	Resubmittal of European Milk Recording (EMR) SIMILAR project	Xavier Massart EMR has send in resubmittal on 25/10/16 – EMR received notice from FTI panel 26/01/17 that the project has been finally rejected - matter closed.
2.3 ICAR MIR Equipment Certification scheme	Silvia Orlandini will prepare a summary document for the Board in March including budget.	Ongoing preparation; FOSS new 'Milkoscan 7 RM' likely first application for Certification.

2.4 ICAR Board succession planning	The President, together with the two Vice-Presidents, Jay Mattison and Kaivo Ilves, were appointed to prepare a proposal for the February or March Board.	Board to discuss in closed session on Feb 10 th how best to approach ?
2.5 Hayes Goddard Patent challenge	ICAR to set up a work group to liaise with EFFAB to challenge this patent globally for its members	Reinhard Reents. Bianca Lind so far, need others to be co-opted.

3 Financials 2016 – Updated Schedule

ICAR and Service ICAR 2016 statements to be compiled by February 28th and loaded to Board Directory

Deloitte Audit March 06th - I can confirm that Deloitte will be conducting a full "Audit". From meetings with Deloitte on January 19th. I can also confirm that both ICAR and Service ICAR will be covered. Cost to cover both come to €9,500 exc VAT. The value of an ICAR only audit without SI is largely optical but putting Service-ICAR with it makes it more meaningful and a more forensic audit.

Deloitte Audit reports will be sent to ICAR Inspectors for review rather than have Josef or Neil coming to Rome - based on this year experience we will review what is necessary for 2017.

Present all statements/reports to Service ICAR Board 21st March and to ICAR Board 28th March for respective Boards sign off.

4 Groups Updates

4.1 Milk Analysis SC

The Call for ICAR PT 2017 has been sent with closing date Feb 24th 2017 - see ICAR web page (full details, costs etc. available [here](#)). MASC Services review will be shared in Strategy/Goals section of this Board meeting

4.2 Animal Identification SC

Key issues and other routine matters to be progressed in our scheduled face to face ID SC meetings in Rome on 08th and 09th February 2017.

The CE will give a verbal update on main issues discussed on 08th/09th ID SC meeting. ID SC Services review will be shared in Strategy/Goals section of this Board meeting

4.3 Recording & Sampling Devices SC

Sensor TF: Next call scheduled for February 22nd 2017. The plan is an interim report to present in Scotland in June 2017 and a final report ready for ICAR session in Auckland early 2018. RSD SC Services review will be shared in Strategy/Goals section of this Board meeting

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4.4 Interbull/Interbeef

4.4.1 Interbull: The ICAR - Interbull TF met again on 19th January 2017. The rewrite of the ICAR – SLU agreement is a priority. A mini group of Martin, Reinhard, Toine and Brian W have been asked to work on updating the agreement. Meetings were held 13th January and Feb 01st 2017 to address this item and progress is being made with initial draft underway. The full TF met is on January 19th and next meeting is scheduled for Feb 16th at 1400hrs. The ICAR –SLU agreement is the immediate priority. The overall goal is to complete TF by Edinburgh (June 2017).

4.4.2 Interbeef: New Interbeef agreements (1.ICAR-SLU and 2. ICAR-Client) were presented and reviewed by the Interbeef WG. Final drafts are now for review in context of the ICAR-SLU agreement work in 4.4.1 above. Once ready, the new agreements will be presented to the ICAR Board for adoption for 2017.

4.5 Other Groups Updates

4.5.1. DNA Working Group – the ICAR Accreditation of DNA Centres is subject to the release of a new data file by Interbull which is currently under test. Three members have applied for Accreditation, namely, VIT, CONAFE and ANARB. Ongoing.

4.5.2. Breed Association (BA) WG – with the resignation of Matt Schaffer we are proposing a call for replacement – see attached **Appendix 1. BA Chair Job Description** and **Appendix 2. Terms of Reference** for Board review.

A Groups Efficiency overview will be shared in Strategy/Goals section of this Board meeting

5 ICAR Conferences

5.1 ICAR 2017 UK (14-16 June 2017):

On January 09th 2017 the ICAR Team met with Marco Winters, Mike Coffey and LOC coordinator Jenna Porch. Summary of progress;

- Early Bird Registration now open see <http://www.icar2017.co.uk>
- Venue for conference is now the Edinburgh International Conference Centre (EICC) see <http://www.eicc.co.uk>
- Next steps will be a) call for Sponsors and b) call for abstracts

5.2 ICAR 2018 NZ (07-11th Feb ICAR/Interbull and 11th – 16th W GALP):

Feedback received from Reinhard Reents & Interbull requesting change to Registration options. Main issue was to ensure Interbull attendees' registration also covered the mixed sessions with W GALP on the Mon and the Tue. CE discussed with Brian Wickham who will bring back to the 2018 LOC's next meeting and in turn revert to Reinhard

5.3 ICAR 2019 CZ:

LOC being formed January 2017 – expect final decision on Czech city and dates will be announced February 2017.

5.4 ICAR 2020:

Board sub group of Niels, Bianca and Japie + ICAR staff unanimously agreed that we should pursue Netherlands in the first instance for ICAR 2020, especially so as in 2020 we will have Interbull full sessions with our ICAR conference.

Hans has in turn brought to the CRV Board who have drafted a letter expressing their interest and intent to host ICAR 2020. See **Appendix 3. CRV Letter ICAR2020**. For Board approval.

6. Future ICAR and Service ICAR Board Meetings

6.1 Meeting Schedule 2017

Note : In the interest of best practice communication it is normal for the ICAR staff to be included to attend the ICAR Board meetings – we will continue this practice but also introduce into the schedule a 'Board only section' to enable discussions which perhaps are more appropriate to 'Board only', This will commence at our face to face meeting on February 10th 2017 in Rome where the staff will be present only from 0830 to 1000am after which the meeting will be confined to the Board and CE only.

Table 2. Future Meetings: January 2017 – July 2017.

Org'n	Meeting	Date	Start-finish (CET)	Venue	Notes
ICAR	Board	Fri 10/02/2017	08:30 – 17:30	Rome	Face to Face
S-ICAR	Board	Tue 21/03/2017	20:00 - 21:00	Rome	Zoom call
ICAR	Board	Tue 28/03/2017	20:00 - 21:00	Rome	Zoom call
ICAR	Board	Tue 25/04/2017	20:00 - 21:00	Rome	Zoom call
S-ICAR	Board	Sun 11/06/2017	08:00 - 09:00	Edinburgh, Scotland	Face to Face.
ICAR	Board	Sun 11/06/2017	09:00 - 13:00	Edinburgh, Scotland	Face to Face.
ICAR	Board	Tue 25/07/2017	20:00 - 21:00	Rome	Zoom call