



THE GLOBAL STANDARD
FOR LIVESTOCK DATA

**ICAR Chief Executive Report for SERVICE ICAR Board Meeting
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1 Financials - 2016 Reports

1.1 Financial Reports 2016

ICAR and Service ICAR 2016 financial statements are compiled and loaded to Board Directory as follows;

Appendix 1. CE Commentary on ICAR and Service ICAR Financials 2016

Appendix 5. Service ICAR Balance Sheet 2016

Appendix 6. Service ICAR Profit & Loss Statement 2016

Appendix 6A. Service ICAR Profit & Loss 2016 (Detailed)

Appendix 7. Explanatory Notes for Service ICAR Financials 2016

1.2 Deloitte External Audit

Appendix 8. Deloitte Audit 2016 – Summary Report

2 Service Providing Groups - Updates

2.1 Milk Analysis SC

ICAR PT 2017: Some 48 Labs answered the ICAR call for 2017 which is a 35% increase on March 2016. Samples have been issued with request to return result by March 17th to ICAR.

ICAR MIR Equipment Validation scheme – ICAR has sent the initial call for interest and relevant application forms to all MIR equipment manufacturers (Foss Bentley, Delta etc.). CE and Silvia have meetings with these manufacturers at the AESOS seminar in Rome on 22nd and 23rd March. A verbal update on progress from this meeting will be provided to the Board.

2.2 Animal Identification SC

CE has stepped back from acting Chair of ID SC with chair duties being rotated amongst members in the short term. Jonas Persson will chair the next meeting scheduled for March 21st 2017. The SC sees the addition of new members to the sub-committee as priority to focus on in next three months. Also an invite has gone out to Manufacturers for a meeting with them scheduled in Edinburgh on June 13th 2017.

2.3 Recording & Sampling Devices SC

Sensor TF: Regular meetings continue with the last being held on February 22nd. Main task/actions underway are;

- **Overview/List of Sensors** Clement/Kees/Uffe/Steven.
- **Corresponding Requirements Table** – Setting Accuracy Levels/Limits - Harrie/Silvia/Steven
- Two draft **Surveys (one for members and one for SC/WG community)** under review to ask about what sensors our DHI members are dealing with in the field etc. – survey under review by Steven – to be finalised.
- Reach out to include more **Manufacturers / Technologists into TF** – at moment only Lely – need to include others – (Uffe/Steven).
- Next meeting/call scheduled March 30th 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.

2.4 Interbull/Interbeef

4.4.1. **ICAR/Interbull TF:** The ICAR Board have indicated that the immediate priority for Interbull now is the securing of the EU Reference call. Once that is done then the Interbull Steering Committee and ICAR will look at

- The refresh and rewrite of the agreement between ICAR and the Interbull Centre in SLU.
- Interbull is using both logos – ICAR and Interbull – in their communication or make reference to ICAR in their logo
- Finish the ICAR Interbull TaskForce in Edinburgh and present results.

The next ICAR/Interbull TF meeting is scheduled for March 29th at 1400hrs. The overall goal is to complete TF by Edinburgh (June 2017).

4.4.2 **Interbeef:** CE to review with Andrew Cromie how to progress the Interbeef agreements as we need to maintain the Australian and American interests. CE will convene a call to progress in context of 4.4.1 above.

2.5 Other Groups Updates

3.5.1. **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.

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3. Future ICAR and Service ICAR Board Meetings

Meeting Schedule 2017

Note: We will continue a 'Board only section' to enable discussions which perhaps are more appropriate to 'Board only'. Staff will be present only for the formal part of the meeting, after which an 'in camera' session will be confined to the Board and CE.

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

Org'n	Meeting	Date	Start-finish (CET)	Venue	Notes
S-ICAR	Board	Tue 28/03/2017	19:00 - 20:00	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

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Date 10th March 2017.