

To the ICAR Board

(to whom it may concern)

Date: 23 February 2017

Reff.: WHFF letter of recommendation

Dear Madam, Sir,

The Council of the World Holstein Friesian Federation (WHFF) recently discussed your request to nominate a Chair for the ICAR Breed Associations Working Group. The WHFF Council – unanimously – would like to nominate it's Secretary General, Suzanne Harding from the UK. for various reasons:

First of all, Holstein is the leading breed in the world with a strong Federation, focused on innovation in close contact with ICAR / Interbull. For that reason we would like to consolidate our connection with ICAR in this World Breed Associations WG.

The WHFF-council is convinced that we have an excellent candidate in the person of Suzanne Harding because she:

- has attended ICAR conferences for over 10 years;
- is currently a member of the ICAR DNA working group;
- has been ICAR Auditor for animal identification, laboratories and production recording;
- was a member of the ICAR Task force for GENOEX;
- was Chair of ICAR Parentage WG for 6 years;
- was a member of the ICAR data exchange for many years.

Suzanne will probably send you a personal solicitation for this position.

On behalf of the WHFF-council I would like you to consider this excellent candidate.

With kind regards,

Jos Buiting, MBA President of WHFF