



THE GLOBAL STANDARD
FOR LIVESTOCK DATA

**ICAR Chief Executive Report for SERVICE ICAR Board Meeting
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1 Financial / Administration / Membership

1.1 Financials SERVICE ICAR 2017 Year End (Board Approval)

The CE and Financial Inspectors present the SERVICE ICAR year end 2017 Financial Reports.

SERVICE ICAR:

Appendix 1. (SERVICE ICAR 2017 Balance Sheet),

Appendix 2. (SERVICE ICAR 2017 Income Statement),

Appendix 2a. (Breakdown of Income in SERVICE ICAR 2017)

Appendix 3. (Explanatory Notes to SERVICE ICAR 2017 Financial Reports).

3.2 Finance Sub Committee update;

No meetings of FSC since the Auckland ICAR Board. ICAR CE and team are in process of getting quotes for Financial bookkeeping package like Sage/Quickbooks etc.

ACTION: CE will report back in first instance to the FSC and then to the ICAR Board with recommendations.

2 Groups Updates (items are covered in ICAR Board meeting @ 2000hrs 27/03/18)

2.1 Animal Identification SC

CE, Andie and Kaivo met with ID Manufacturers in Auckland on Feb 11th and again by zoom on March 14th on the proposed new ICAR Field Trial Protocol – good progress has been made based on initial work done by Mick Prendergast of NLIS and Sebastien Duroy IDELE - Next step is this 1st draft will be shared with SC ID in next weeks for their review input and endorsement.

ISO WG3 meeting in Rome on April 19th – ICAR will be represented by Andie.

2.2 Recording & Sampling Devices SC

In future notification of newly certified recording devices will be shared with ICAR Board as 'for information only' rather than endorsement.

2.3 Milk Analysis SC

First priority is in respect to the Chair, as Gavin Scott is moving to Fonterra this month. CE, Silvia Orlandini and Brian Wickham are meeting March 21st to work on getting new chair with verbal update to Board on progress 27th March 2018.

ICAR PT 2018 – In this March 2018 round we have 46 laboratories from 28 countries. So far we have received the results from the participating labs (deadline 16 of March), we still await from the last 8 laboratories. Once these labs are in, our automated report generation software will produce all the reports for dispatch to the members' lab clients.

2.4 Interbull (contains item for ICAR Board Approval)

Interbull is in process of simplifying the ToRs of the Interbull SC to 3 or 4 pages and moving the more detailed operational aspects into Interbull Centre SOPs

ICAR Accreditation of DNA Data Interpretation Centres: The first DNA Data Interpretation Centres have been ICAR accredited for SNP Parentage Verification. Further information is available from the ICAR website: www.icar.org/index.php/certifications/certification-and-accreditation-of-dna-genetic-laboratories/two-new-dna-based-services/dna-data-interpretation-centres.

GenoEx-PSE: GenoEx-PSE will be launched before 1 June 2018. Organisation interested in joining the service are required to be an ICAR Accredited DNA Data Interpretation Centre.

Steering Committee membership: Sophie Mattalia (Interbull SC member since 2006) was endorsed by the Interbull Business Meeting on 11 February 2018 for another 4-year term as Interbull SC member, representing France and Wallonia. The ICAR Board is required to endorse this 4 yr term for Sophie

Upcoming Interbull Meetings;

Joint Interbull-ADSA Symposium 27 June 2018 (Knoxville, Tennessee, USA)

As part of the 2018 ADSA annual meeting (24-27 June 2018), and Interbull are jointly organising a Symposium on "**Phenotyping and genetics in the New Era of sensor data from automation**". Further details on www.adsa.org/2018/program and www.interbull.org/ib/2018 joint interbull adsa symposium.

Interbull Technical Workshop in Dubrovnik, Croatia: 25 and 26 August 2018

The 2018 Interbull Technical Workshop in Dubrovnik will focus on the development of Interbull Services, including "SNPMace", "Mendelian Sampling Test" and

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“InterGenomics-Holstein”; (www.interbull.org/ib/2018_technical_workshop).

Joint Interbull-EAAP session at the EAAP meeting in Dubrovnik, Croatia: 27-31 August 2018

EAAP and Interbull will once again organise joint sessions on the first day of EAAP. More info on www.eaap2018.org and www.interbull.org/ib/2018_eaap.

Interbull Annual Meetings

2019, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA (with ADSA): 22-24 June 2019

2020, Leeuwarden, The Netherlands (with ICAR): Interbull Meeting dates tbc

2021, Davos, Switzerland (with EAAP): 28-30 August 2021

2.5 Other Groups Updates

Functional Traits WG – On March 12th CE and Christa Egger Danner convened a call on ICAR’s plans for addressing Recording of Welfare traits. Good meeting with practical approach outlined – follow up meeting in April.

Sheep & Goats, Camelid WG – ICAR and Jean Michel Struc’s INRA were successful in gaining EU project and funding acceptance for our SMARTER project. (Small Ruminants breeding for efficiency and resilience). The project has as its goal to understand the genetic determinism of resources allocations to animal resilience and efficiency (health, welfare, production, feed efficiency and body composition reproduction), etc. in different environmental conditions to increase the genetic adaptability of small ruminants to low input systems. ICAR’s role will be in WP 6 (methods for recording phenotypes, and through its members facilitating international evaluation inc. genomics) and WP8 Dissemination (Conferences, publications of guidelines). This Project begins in Nov 2018 and will go on ‘til 2022. Total EU funding support for ICAR work over the 4 years estimated €160k - €175k.

7. Future ICAR and Service ICAR Board Meetings

7.1 Meeting Schedule March 2018 – Nov 2018.

Table 2. Future Meetings: March 2018 – December 2018. (Version 20/03/18)

Org'n	Meeting	Date	Start-finish (CET)	Venue	Notes
S- ICAR	Board	Tue 27/03/2018	19:00 - 20:00	Rome	Zoom call
ICAR	Board	Tue	20:00 - 21:00	Rome	Zoom call

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ICAR + SI GA for Accounts	Board	Tue 24/04/2018	20:00 - 21:00	Rome	Zoom call
ICAR	Board	Tue 29/05/2018	20:00 - 21:00	Rome	Zoom call
ICAR CHAIRS	Board & Chairs	Tue 19/06/2018	20:00 - 22:00	Rome	Zoom call
S-ICAR	Board	Tue 26/06/2018	19:00 - 20:00	Rome	Zoom call
ICAR	Board	Tue 26/06/2018	20:00 - 21:00	Rome	Zoom call
ICAR	Board	Tue 24/07/2018	20:00 - 21:00	Rome	Zoom call
S-ICAR	Board	Tue 28/08/2018	19:00 - 20:00	Rome	Zoom call
ICAR	Board	Tue 28/08/2018	20:00 - 21:00	Rome	Zoom call
ICAR	Board	Tue 25/09/2018	20:00 - 21:00	Rome	Zoom call
S-ICAR	Board	Tue 23/10/2018	19:00 - 20:00	Rome	Zoom call
ICAR	Board	Tue 23/10/2018	20:00 - 21:00	Rome	Zoom call
ICAR CHAIRS	Board & Chairs	Tue 20/11/2018	20:00 - 22:00	Rome	Zoom call
ICAR	Board	Thu 29/11 - 30/11/2018	08:30 – 17:30 08:30 – 12:30	Venue TBD	Face to Face

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Date 20th March 2018.