



THE GLOBAL STANDARD
FOR LIVESTOCK DATA

**ICAR Chief Executive Report for ICAR Board Meeting
20:00 – 21:00 CET, Tuesday September 25th 2018.**

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NOTE: THOSE PARTS OF THE CE REPORT HIGHLIGHTED IN **YELLOW** BELOW ARE IN THE OPINION OF THE CE THOSE THAT REQUIRE FURTHER DISCUSSION OR BOARD DECISION / APPROVAL.

Chief Executive Report to ICAR Board

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1 Priorities (Item for Board Information only)

Table 1. CE and ICAR Team 2018 priorities:

CE Goal Objective	By When;	Internal (I) External (E)
HR Policies Development – ToRs completed and approved August 2018	First Draft Nov. Board meeting – finalise December 2018	I
IT upgrade server, security and GDPR compliance	May 2018 (Complete)	I
Select & Implement New Accounting SW package	September 2018 – implemented for ICAR with S.I Q3/Q4	I
Staffing plan – Technical expertise for future ICAR	First Draft Nov. Board meeting – finalise December 2018	I
DNA Centre Accreditation – Launch & promote	May 2018 (Complete)	E
GenoEx PSE - release with Interbull	June 2018 (Complete)	E
Engagement – Outreach Program to key partner organisations	Agreed targets 2018	E
Communications – modernise digital channels to members, Press Releases, targeted items, blogs, etc	First Draft Nov. Board meeting – finalise December 2018	E

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

Table 2. Update on Items that are not addressed elsewhere in this September 25th CE Board Report.

<u>Area</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Status/ACTION</u>
2.1 Victoria Agricultural Services (VAS) Patent challenge	New TPO submitted on 12 th March 2018 referencing 'Prior Use' in 2006 (Burdick et al) publication in Nature Genetics.	Patent granted in EU, the Patent Watch (PW) group is preparing a new objection Bianca will update when.

2.2 DHI Future Projects Review ICAR Board Nov 30 th , 2018.	ICAR Board had mini breakout session on Nov 30 th meeting on future challenges and opportunities in DHI and how ICAR role can help.	This will be incorporated into future business plan – Technical expertise for future ICAR
2.3. Board Committees	Governance Committee – Board agreed Feb 7 th , 2018 to convene such a committee.	Daniel Lefebvre to Chair this Governance Committee. Jay Daniel will approach others to make up the Committee. 1 st task is to define the ToR. Ongoing
	Awards Review Ad Hoc Group – Board agreed Feb 7 th , 2018 to convene and ad hoc group to review ICAR's annual awards and recognitions.	Jay, Kaivo and Martin to review and revise the criteria for the various ICAR awards in time for Prague 2019. Set up first zoom in Sept '18
2.4 Membership Review	Define, categorise by activity our Members in the ICAR Database	Database has been updated by Cesare – will use for new newsletters, bulletins, alerts etc

3. Sub Committee / Working Group/ Task Forces - Terms of Reference (ToR) Amendments (for Board Approval)

The following Sub Committee / Working Group / Task Forces' ToRs have been reviewed and updated. The changes, which cover both format and content, have been reviewed and endorsed by the respective SC/WGs/TFs, ICAR Groups coordinator and CE. They are now submitted here for Board approval.

Appendix 1. ICAR Functional Traits WG Terms of Reference.

Appendix 2. ICAR Conformation WG Terms of Reference.

Appendix 3. ICAR Sheep, Goat & Camelid WG Terms of Reference.

4. ICAR Guidelines – Section Amendments (for Board Approval)

The following Sections of the Guidelines have been reviewed and updated. The changes have been reviewed and endorsed by respective the SC/WGs and ICAR Groups coordinator and are now submitted here for Board approval. In each case the changes cover both format and content and are highlighted in the 'Change Summary' in the header of each respective 'guideline'

Appendix 4. Section 12. Guidelines for Milk Analysis

Appendix 5. Section 15. Guidelines for Animal Data Exchange

Subject to Board approval these new or updated guidelines will be sent out to the ICAR members for comment and then afterwards be officially released on our website.

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5. Sub Committee / Working Group Updates

5.1 CE & Chairs 'One on One's': On week commencing Mon 17th September the CE and Groups Coordinator have begun the 'one on one' meetings with all SC/WG/TF **Chairs**. We have three items on the agenda for these meetings:

- a. Review and progress update on Priorities for SC/WG/TF.
- b. Procedures for maintaining the Guidelines.
- c. Any matter Chair wishes to raise.

We plan to finish these 'one on ones' by September 28th, after which time we will provide a summary report (matrix of Groups/Priorities) to the Board and also to be shared on the upcoming Chairs and Board call scheduled for November 06th 2018 @ 2000hrs CET,

5.2 Recording & Sampling Devices SC (for Board Approval)

Nominee for SC Membership: There is a new nominee/candidate from LIC to join the Recording & Sampling Devices SC. **Mr. Andrew Scott** is the Herd Testing Quality Manager with LIC. His Curriculum Vitae is attached. **(Appendix 6)**, as well as supporting letter from LIC Management **(Appendix 7)**. The Chair of the RSD SC and the CE would like to recommend to the Board to accept Andrew as a member of the RSD SC.

AMS / Sampler Certifications: The CE and RSD-SC would like to inform the Board of some new AMS (Automatic Milking Systems) and Sampling Devices that have been ICAR certified. See Appendix 8. New AMS/Sampler Certified combinations

5.3 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

6. ICAR Conferences (All Items for Board information only)

ICAR 2019 CZ: 16th – 21st June 2019

June 16th-21st 2019 (ICAR to run from Sunday 16th til Fri 21st June 2019. Starting with Board Sun 16th June 2019, Mon Tue SC/WG meetings and conference Wed 19th – Fri 21st.

IDF Analytical Meetings in the days Fri 21st til Tue 25th June 2019.

ICAR and LOCCZ have signed Conference agreement February 2018

ICAR-LOC2019 calls ongoing monthly.

ICAR 2020 NL: 07th – 12th June 2020.

Location Leeuwarden, Netherlands now confirmed with dates from 07th – 12th June 2020. Initial skeleton program under discussion with LOC2020 ICAR and Interbull.

Interbull Director to be part of ICAR team to liaise with LOCNL as programme is prepared.

LOC 2020 met in June and ICAR agreement has been reviewed and is with CEO of CRV for review and sign off – CE is planning visit to CRV in Q4 2018.

ICAR 2021 & 2022 :

ICAR 2022 : CE has sent letter to the three General Managers of our Canadian ICAR members (Canadian Dairy Network, CanWest DHI, and Valacta) asking them to discuss with their respective Board to discuss option of Canada hosting ICAR 2022.

ICAR 2021: CE and Japie have discussed the prospect of RSA hosting 2021 and as we have not received firm assurances from the ARC and Ministry we agreed that it is best that at this stage we begin to look for some other members to host ICAR2021. CE will reconvene asap the small board group of Bianca, Japie and Jorge to select alternative host.

7. Future ICAR and Service ICAR Board Meetings

7.1 November Chairs & Board

As Face to Face ICAR Board meeting is Mon 12th Tue 13th November in Frankfurt we will hold Chairs communication zoom on the previous Tue 6th November 2018.

7.2 Meeting Schedule Oct 2018 – Nov 2018.

Table 3. Future Meetings: Oct 2018 – December 2018. (Version 18/09/18)

Org'n	Meeting	Date	Start-finish (CET)	Venue	Notes
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 6th Nov	20:00 - 22:00	Rome	Zoom call
ICAR	Board	Mon/Tue 11 th 12 th Nov	08:30 – 17:30 08:30 – 12:30	Frankfurt	Face to Face

Martin Burke, Chief Executive,

Date 18th Sept. 2018.