# ICAR Group Report

| Date *of report* | 12 April 2013 | |
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| **SC/WG/TF/** *name* | WG Dairy Cattle Milk recording | |
| **Chair** | Hans Wilmink | |
| **Members** *Name, organization, country and year joined, email contact* | See attached xlsx | |
| **Members left** | Ernst Bohlsen is replaced temporary by Kai Kuwan (VIT) | |
| **Meeting(s) since June 2011** | Last: 2012, May in Cork | Next: 2013, 28 May in Aarhus |
| **Participation** | Full +: all have participated, absence by Franz Schallerl and Pavel Bucek (because of overlapping with other WG) | Absence |
| **Key Agenda Issues** | The meeting in 2012 was a start up meeting. Key agenda issues: ToR, what does that mean to the WG; ideas actions for the coming year | |
| **Important Decisions made since June 2011** | We agreed to do an inquiry and to describe the recording process in different steps | |
| **Active cooperation and links to other ICAR SC/WG/TFs and other international bodies such as ISO, EU, IDF, ISAG, world breed organisations, manufacturers etc** | Not yet, but I fore see that we will have coorperation with all ICAR subcomittees | |
| **Issues to be handled by the Board & Deadlines** | It is difficult to get someone of USA on board. In addition I like to have someone from Oceania, preferably Australia and involved in recording practices. | |
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| **Top 3 to 5 Issues for this SC/WG/TF** | ICAR guidelines. What is urgent to change to meet recent developments; Get overview of milk recording schemes which are practised in the world | |
| **How does this SC/WG fit into ICAR strategy?** | Most important are the guidelines. It fits to ICAR strategy on defining standards and give tools for certification | |

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| **In the chair's opinion how can the Secretariat give greater assistance to the working of the SC/WG?** | I guess this is on getting information on recording practises all over the world and publish this information. Also find ways to maintain this |
| **Finances – summary of any proposals that required ICAR funding. Objective and budget by year.** | This year: the inquiry has been postponed, but I expect the group wants to do this this year.<br>Another idea may be to have a workshop of a ICAR session on milk recording: challenges, where should ICAR look at.. I will discuss this in the group…. |

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