



## **WORKING GROUP ON « MILK TESTING LABORATORIES »**

### **Terms of reference**

1. Contribute to adequate analytical performance quality for milk recording purposes world wide that does allow valid comparisons between ICAR countries.
2. Monitor the development of reference document and standards on methods of milk analysis and quality assurance in laboratories applicable to milk recording.
3. Maintain a frame for analytical quality assurance of milk testing laboratories through recommendations to ICAR member organisations and an international network of reference laboratories.
4. Monitor the development of instruments for milk analysis of interest for milk recording and equipment related to milk recording analysis (sampling, in-farm analysis, data capture/transfer). In doing so the Group should keep in contact with manufacturers, ICAR Sub-Committees and Working Groups in those areas.
5. Advise ICAR on new developments in the field of analytical methods, analytical quality assurance and milk testing laboratories.
6. Establish and maintain liaisons with international organisations / bodies involved with milk analysis issues dealt by ICAR, in particular IDF and ISO.