



ICAR Group Report

Date of report		
SC/WG/TFI name	Goat Performance Recording Working Group	
Chair	Zdravko Barac	
Members <i>Name, organization, country and year joined, email contact</i>	Joanne Conington , Scottish Agricultural College (UK) Silverio Grande , Italian Breeders' Association (Italy) Pierre van Rooyen , South African Stud Book and Livestock Improvement Association (South Africa) Juan Manuel Serradilla Manrique , University of Cordoba (Spain), Jean-Michel Astruc , INRA Toulouse, (France) Drago Kompan , University of Ljubljana, (Slovenia)	
Members left		
Meeting(s) since June 2011	<u>Last</u> : Cork, Ireland	<u>Next</u> : Berlin, Germany
Participation	Full +: Maja Drazic Zeljka Fatovic, Croatia and Ming-Che Wu, Taiwan	Absence Drago Kompan, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia – represented by Marija Klopčič; Joanne Conington, Scottish Agricultural College, UK represented by Mike Coffey; Silverio Grande, Italian Breeders' Association, Italy represented by Alessia Tondo; Pierre van Rooyen, South African Stud Book and Livestock Improvement Association, South Africa represented by Japie Van der Westhuizen; Juan Manuel Serradilla Manrique, University of Cordoba, Spain none
Key Agenda Issues	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Welcome and introduction of the new group members 2. Report on goat milk recording – results from the on-line data base and discussion 3. Harmonization of the Guidelines for goat milk recording – material sent by e-mail 4. Including non-milking traits into the Guidelines – discussion 5. Report on the survey on goat meat recording and discussion 6. Miscellaneous 	

Important Decisions made since June 2011	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Harmonisation of the Guidelines for the goat milk recording 2. Survey on goat meat recording – an overview has been given during the WG meeting with discussion for further activities regarding guidelines
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	<p>The group has active collaboration with WG Milk recording in sheep, with which shares similar issues. There is a need for increase of collaboration with the other relevant ICAR groups, like Animal identification SC.</p>
Issues to be handled by the Board & Deadlines	<p>The Board has appointed new members to the WG goat milk, and the group is strong enough to continue with current issues and to discuss future goals during the forthcoming meeting.</p>
Top 3 to 5 Issues for this SC/WG/TF	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. “On line” database on milk recording 2. Harmonisation of the guidelines for milk recording 3. Questionnaire on the standards for meat recording in goats, and decision on further steps 4. Non-milking traits, definitions, standards and the addition as a subchapter to the Guidelines
How does this SC/WG fit into ICAR strategy?	<p>The interest for goat keeping and goat milk production is increasing. There is a need for widening of milk recording practices to the countries where this production is at its beginnings. Also, meat breeds recording is in use or planned to be in use soon in some member countries, which implies preparation of meat recording guidelines. The WG should continue with planned activities.</p>
In the chair’s opinion how can the Secretariat give greater assistance to the working of the SC/WG?	<p>The Secretariat gives all necessary support for the activities of the WG, and enables activities of the WG as planned</p>
Finances – summary of any proposals that required ICAR funding. Objective and budget by year.	<p>-</p>