

ICAR Certificate of Quality



Background

- Replaced the ICAR Special Stamp as the mark of the standard of service provided by our members
- Special Stamp only involved one audit
- Special Stamp was perceived as limited in its scope



ICAR Certificate of Quality

- Only available to ICAR members
- Ability to reflect the services provided by members
- Regular audits by acknowledged experts to ensure maintenance of quality
- Can be tailored to members' requirements



Areas covered

- No limitation if covered by ICAR's objectives
- Cattle, sheep and goats currently
- Identification
- Production recording
 - Field
 - Laboratories
 - Data processing
- Genetic evaluation



Certificates awarded so far for:

Identification	Production Recording	Genetic Evaluation	Other Certificates which have been awarded where the applicant's activity was specific.
Dairy cattle	Dairy cattle	Dairy cattle	Laboratory analysis
Beef cattle	Beef cattle	Beef cattle	Herdbook activities
Buffalos	Buffalos		Data processing
Goats (dairy and meat)	Dairy goats		Type classification
Sheep	Dairy sheep	Meat sheep	

Auditors

- Auditors have been drawn from the following countries:
- Austria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Eire, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Poland, Slovenia, South Africa, Switzerland, United Kingdom and the United States of America.
- We can always use more individuals with the required skills

The Future

- Reflect the desires and aspirations of the ICAR members
- Increase the numbers of members who are certificated
- Include new areas of activity where needed
- Include



Thanks to:

- Members for their feedback and enthusiasm
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Our presenters:

- Folkert Onken from DLQ Germany
- Pavel Bucek from Czech Moravian Cattle Breeders
- Franz Schallerl from Landeskontrollverband Steiermark Austria
- Martina Rafajova from the Slovak Breeding Services



