



# Report of the Working Group on

# PERFORMANCE RECORDING OF DAIRY SHEEP

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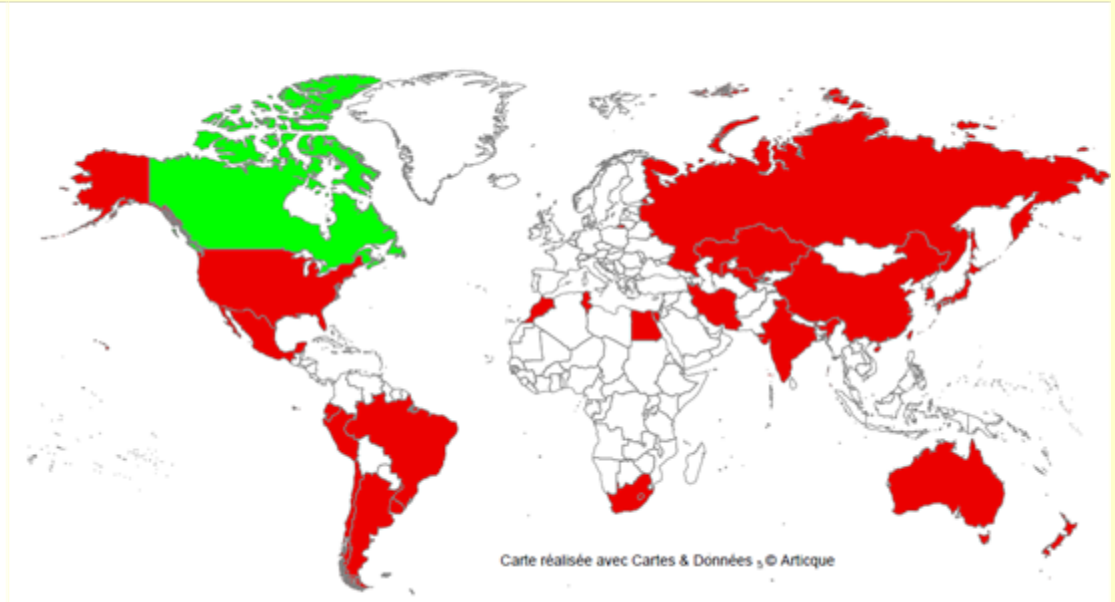
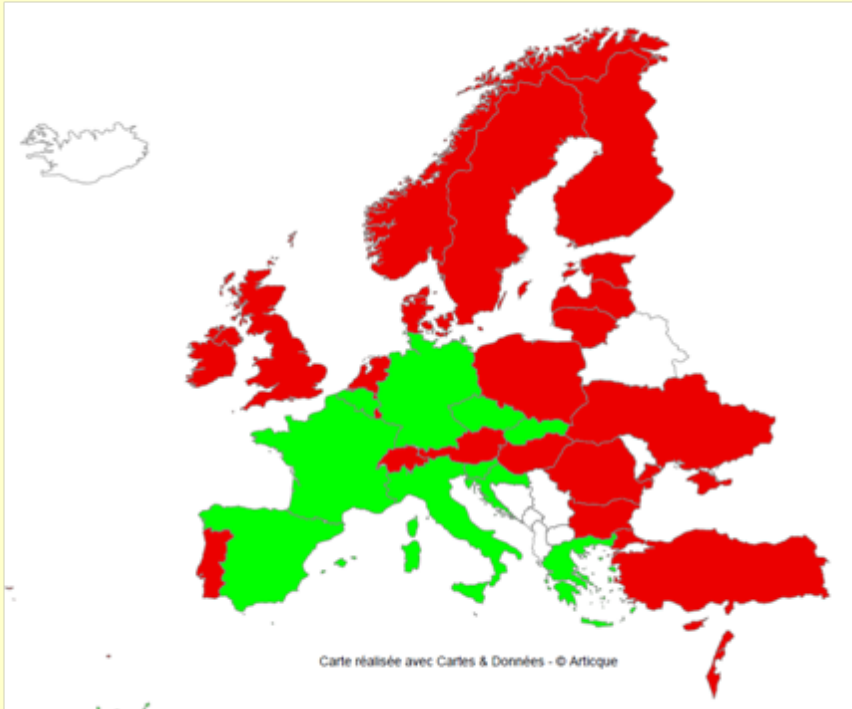


# Yearly enquiry on-line



**Green** : ICAR countries having submitted data to the database in 2010-2011

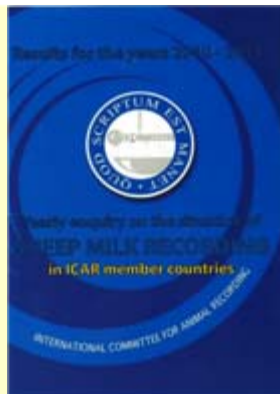
**Red** : ICAR countries



11 submissions in 2012-2013 (decreasing !)

**Remind regularly the countries**

- Booklet with raw data



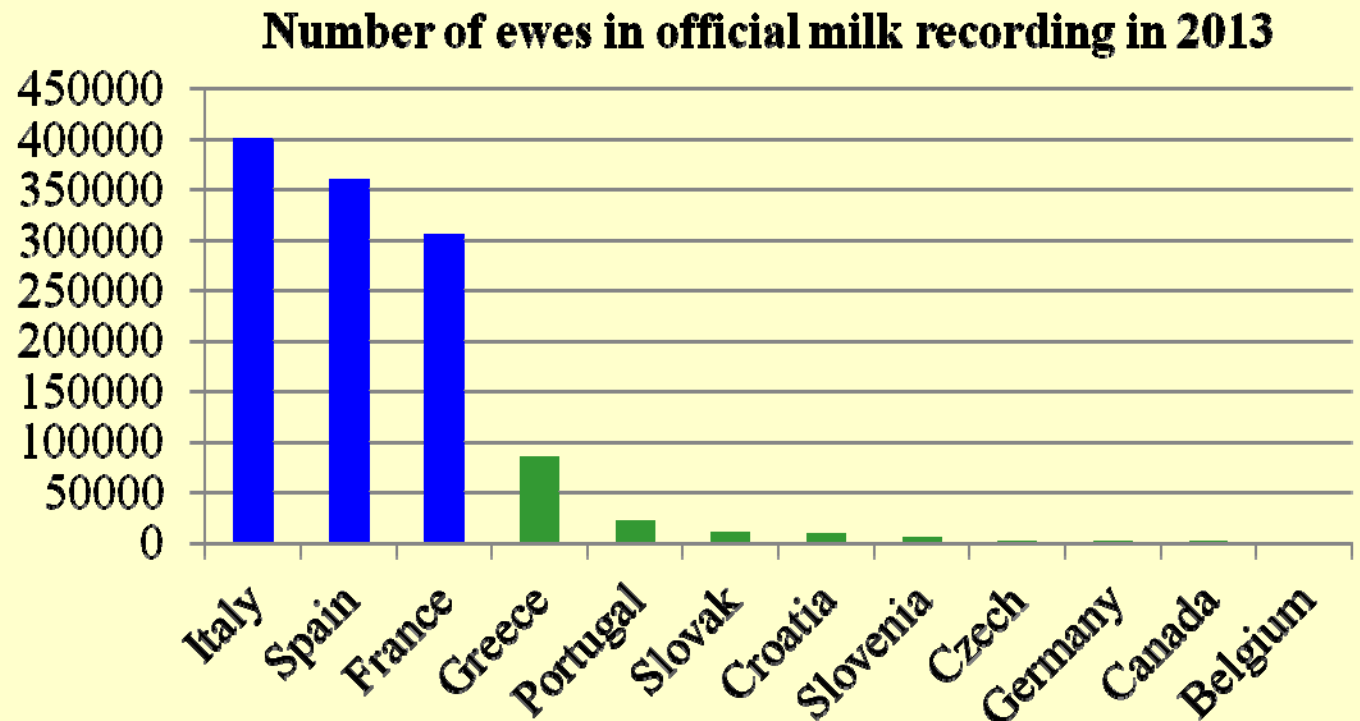
- Biennial report (tables and figures) for the years 2012-2013 available on the web

39<sup>th</sup> ICAR Session, Berlin, Germany, 2014

# What did milk recording in sheep represent in 2013 ?

- 1,198,000 ewes in official milk recording (↘)  
+ 536,000 in D recording (France only)

- Italy, Spain, France :  
89%



# New version of the guidelines approved in Berlin

⇒ Include udder morphology as an optional recording

Purpose : **to be informative** (and not normative) =  
general principle, different traits that could be scored, examples of scoring tables

⇒ Quality assurance for AC method

Propose procedure for checking when deviant situations

⇒ Harmonize, update, clarify

ICAR stamp → Certificate of Quality  
Remove the word rules

⇒ Linguistic reviewing

# Session S2 dairy sheep and goats

⇒ Berlin, Friday 23 May

⇒ 9 presentations

From 7 countries

5 dairy sheep

3 goats

1 sheep and goats

**Good participation**

⇒ Large range of issues

From milk recording to genomic evaluation,  
through health projects and breeding programs

**Thanks to the German organization to have permitted  
to add this session in the program !**

# New issue to be addressed

## ▪ Use of on-farm electronic milk meters :

How to use data from electronic milk meters ?

Are there (or not) limitations of their use according to the configuration of milking installation ?

Share experience between countries

Sampling : which feasibility in small ruminants milking routines ?

**Cooperation with the SC recording devices**