

INTERBEEF Working Group Report

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Structural change

- Merge with ICAR Beef WG
- Revised Terms of Reference. For Beef:
 - Provide forum on recording & genetic evaluation
 - Maintain guidelines
 - Conduct surveys
 - Develop International genetic evaluation service
 - Facilitate genomic selection
- Steering Committee comprising:
 - Geographical spread
 - Technical spread
 - Enthusiastic supporters
 - Current members of Interbeef WG and those with an interest from Beef WG.
- Secretariat – Interbull Centre

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Priorities

1. Establish & grow international genetic evaluation service for beef breeds and traits.
2. Promote ICAR's involvement in beef recording and evaluations in NA, SA, Africa & E. Europe.
3. Conduct international survey.
4. Facilitate genomic evaluations.

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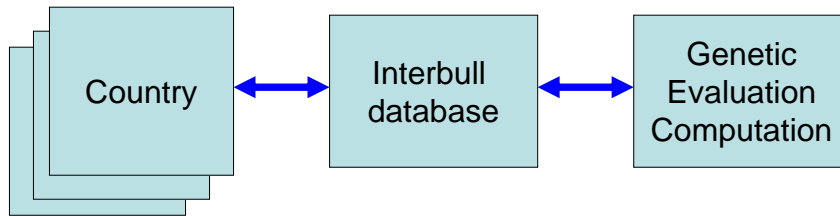
Strategy

- Continue and extend project initiated in 2007
- €100 K/year to Interbull Centre funded by ICAR/Interbull and participating countries
- Seeking to extend DG Sanco support for Interbull Centre to include beef
- Establish user pay services
- Support from enthusiastic countries

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Strategy - Operations



- Service Agreement & Fees
- Rules for Participation - Roles & Responsibilities
- Operating Procedures
- Data Flows & Interfaces
- Quality Control & Query Support
- Methods & Models

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Progress

- **Data Flows & Interfaces** – established & tested
- **Methods & Models** – two breeds, five countries, one trait – established & tested - transfer from INRA to Interbull Centre
- **Scientific Advisory Committee** – established – integration with national evaluations, across breed evaluations
- **Strategic Plan** – reviewed and updated

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