

June 18, 2014

Dear ICAR Member,

I am writing to provide an update on recent developments in the composition of the ICAR management team, and ICAR's office space relationship with the European Association of Animal Production (EAAP).

Dr Andrea Rosati resigned effective the 10<sup>th</sup> of June, 2014 as the ICAR Secretary General. In order to ensure the effective and efficient operation of the ICAR and Service ICAR organizations while a Chief Executive Office is recruited, the ICAR Board has contracted with Dr Brian Wickham as Acting Secretary General effective the 18th of June. His main task will be to "To ensure ICAR and Service ICAR continue to operate effectively and efficiently during the transition period from the previous SG to the new management structure as proposed by the ICAR Board during the ICAR General Assembly held during May in Berlin."

Coinciding with the resignation of Andrea Rosati from ICAR and Service ICAR, the current ICAR and Service ICAR office space arrangements of sharing office accommodations with the EAAP Secretariat have been terminated by EAAP. The ICAR Staff have secured alternative office accommodations in Rome with the approval of the ICAR Board. The Rome based ICAR staff will commence operations from these offices on Monday 7th July. Details of the address and new phone numbers will be provided in the next few days.

I am pleased to advise that the ICAR management team of Brian Wickham, Elena Couto, Cesare Mosconi, Charl Hunlun, Milan Zjalic and Jussi Maki-Hokkonen will be working as a united team during this transition period to ensure the achievement of the goals and operation of ICAR and Service ICAR.

The ICAR Board will be considering the recommendations of the Future ICAR Implementation Group during the next few months. The ICAR Board will inform ICAR members and cooperators on the decisions related to the new management structure for ICAR and Service ICAR during this time.

Effective immediately, you should feel free to contact Brian Wickham (email: <a href="mailto:brian@icar.org">brian@icar.org</a>, Irish mobile: +353 86 826 9911) or any current staff in the matter of routine operations regarding any ICAR or Service ICAR matter of importance to you.

Andrea Rosati has been active for ICAR since 2002 and I wish to acknowledge his efforts provided during this time. ICAR has grown since 2002 significantly.

I look forward to Brian Wickham and the rest of the current management team leading the ICAR efforts during this transition period.

Kind regards,

Dr Hans Wilmink ICAR President