



Green solutions for reducing antibiotics

International collaboration to promote natural ways of dairy farming

'Green Solutions for Reducing Antibiotics' will highlight the current state of knowledge of the international collaboration on Natural Livestock Farming in the Netherlands, India, Ethiopia and Uganda. Hands-on experiences have been developed related to the use and marketing of herbal products, animal management, local breeds and biodiversity conservation that together provide a viable strategy towards producing good quality milk while saving antibiotics for our future¹.

Thursday, 1 October 2015

International symposium, 9:30 - 16:30, Provinciehuis Zwolle, The Netherlands



PROGRAM

Facilitator of the day: Vasanthi Hariprakash, radio and TV journalist from Bangalore, India

9.30 Registration, film exchange between Frisian and Ugandan dairy farmers and veterinarians

10.00 Plenary program

10.00 Welcome by Natural Livestock Farming association and facilitator
Dick Schumer
Vasanthi Hariprakash

10.10 Intro by Provence Overijssel

10.20 Lessons learnt from the E-motive exchange program 2014 and 2015
Katrien van't Hooft - Dutch Farm Experience

10.35 The need for green solutions and One Health approach in dairy farming
Frits van der Schans - CLM

10.55 Break

11.15 Entrepreneurship and Natural Dairy Farming
Klaas de Lange - Weerribben Zuivel

11.35 Panel discussion with experts from Netherlands, India, Ethiopia and Uganda on: the importance of international cooperation in developing green solutions for reducing antibiotic use in dairy farming

12.30 Lunch

13.30 Two rounds of workshops (50 minutes each): Best Practices towards Natural Dairy Farming

15.30 Coffee / Tea

15.45 Plenary sharing of key findings, questions and ways forward

16.30 Winding up and drinks

WORKSHOPS (13.30 - 15.30, 2 rounds)

1. Outcome of small-scale on-farm research with herbal remedies: prevention of mastitis and calf diarrhoea in Overijssel
Marije Thybaut - VKON, Arie Boorsma - Biochem, Lilian Raemaekers (English and Dutch)
2. Is antibiotic-free dairy farm management feasible in the Netherlands – initiatives in Friesland
Kees van Veluw - Louis Bolk Instituut, Sjoerd Miedema - Miedema Natuurlijk (English and Dutch)
3. Guide to prevent disease and the use of herbal products to strengthen health of dairy cows in the Netherlands
Gerdien Kleijer - NVF Dier & Kruid, Maria Groot - RIKILT Wageningen UR, Tine van Werven - Veterinary Faculty Utrecht (English and Dutch)
4. Experiences with Breeding strategies towards resilient dairy cows
Wytze Nauta - BioKI, Sateshkumar - TANUVAS
5. Need to reduce use of antibiotics and acaricides for tick control in Uganda
Donald Mugume - Ankole Cow Conservation, Robert Wangoola, Jan van der Zee - DAP Beesterzwaag
6. Ways to promote African social entrepreneurship related to dairy farming
Wim Goris - AgriProfocus, Getachew Gebru - ESAP, Elizabeth Katushabe - PENHA
7. Strengthening Herbal product enterprise development in India and the Netherlands
S. Marimuthu - TDU and Dutch herbal company
8. Revitalizing Indian dairy for food safety and health – NL-India collaboration in The Trust Dairy Initiative with dairy companies in India
G.T. Gopal - KOMUL dairy factory, P. Dayavathi - Indian dairy farmer, Katrien van 't Hooft - Dutch Farm Experience
9. Traditional practices in cattle production in Ethiopia, including the use of medicinal plants
M. Tafesse - ESAP
10. Developing a post-graduate diploma course for Dutch veterinarians on use of medicinal plants, combining knowledge the Netherlands and India
Punniamurthi - TANUVAS, Hans Nij Bijvank - DAP de Woldberg, Erna Post - DAP Olst-Wijhe

This symposium is free of charge. Registration is obliged. Please [register here](#).

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¹ This symposium is the follow-up of the international symposium 'Cows and Herbs' held in Zwolle, 23 October 2014. Main language used is English – several workshop in Dutch in the afternoon