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IDF welcomes new Director General

On the 12th of February the IDF will welcome its new Director General, Caroline Emond.

Caroline has extensive experience within the industry, with twenty-four years' experience in senior executive and public affairs roles in the private, public and the not-for-profit sectors behind her, including a role as Executive Director of Dairy Farmers of Canada.

Caroline will replace Nico van Belzen, who has served as Director General of the IDF since 2012 and provided the IDF with expert guidance and leadership throughout his tenure.

Commenting on the appointment, current IDF President Dr Judith Bryans said "*Caroline is a fantastic candidate for the role of Director General. Her leadership and enthusiasm for the industry will be a great asset to both the IDF and the wider industry, and I look forward to working with her.*"

"*On behalf of the IDF Board would also like to offer our heartfelt thanks to Nico for his hard work and service to the organisation over the past six years and wish him all the best for the future*".

Commenting on her appointment as Director General, Caroline added "*I am very excited to be taking up this role. The IDF's unique ability to gain global consensus on key issues makes it the united voice of the international dairy sector. That, coupled with its respected expertise places it in a strong position to make a real difference on behalf of the dairy sector.*"

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The International Dairy Federation is the leading source of scientific and technical expertise for all stakeholders of the dairy

chain. The IDF engages all stakeholders in productive activities and research projects to further current knowledge and science on a wide range of issues. Today, dairy is one of the most vibrant and strategic sectors, with a major impact on national economies, public health and the environment.

Through its working bodies, events and work programme, IDF provides a common platform, systems and processes for the global dairy sector to come together to reach consensus. Given its consensus-building capacity, IDF represents the global voice of dairy towards stakeholders and intergovernmental organisations.

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