

**December 2019**

## Message from our Director General



As we prepare the last IDF World of 2019, it occurs to me how much has been achieved in the [past year](#). Through our longstanding collaboration with ISO, we've continued to play a central role in developing and collaborating on global standards that build greater confidence, consistency and transparency within the dairy sector and beyond.

We continue to respond to the sector's call for expertise on a range of sectoral issues, including antimicrobial resistance, through collaborative projects such

as [DISARM](#), sustainable agriculture and nutrition and animal welfare through a range of events, reports and activities – with our latest [report on Animal Health](#) published just last month.

Explaining and promoting the interface between nutrition and sustainability at various international meetings also remains a priority, with IDF representing the global sector at various high-level meetings including the UN Committee on Food Security (CFS) and Codex, most recently the Codex Committees on Food Safety and Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses – more information in this newsletter.

Next week IDF will attend COP25 to share how the dairy sector has been working hard to drive the environmental agenda forward and to reinforce the message that milk and dairy products are a crucial part of healthy and sustainable diets.

Looking ahead, we will ensure that IDF's programme of work remains relevant to the evolving market realities and needs of the dairy sector, balancing scientific integrity and industry applicability, working in partnership with a range of international organisations including [FAO-LEAP](#), remaining alert to developments globally that may affect the dairy sector and equipping our members with the information they need to respond.

Enjoy the rest of 2019 and here's to an equally productive 2020!

Caroline Emond  
IDF Director General

## News



### Russia and Kenya join IDF

IDF has welcomed Russia and Kenya as official members of IDF, raising the overall number of member states within the Federation to 43. [Read more](#)



### Innovative solutions for antibiotic resistance

The first [DISARM event](#) in Brussels will be broadcast on 3 December. [DISARM](#) has launched a range of platforms inviting farmers, veterinarians and others to join discussions about animal health and antibiotic usage (see also the [video](#) and [newsletter](#)).



### Dairy: nourishing a growing world population sustainably

With COP25 launching in Madrid this week, IDF DG Caroline Emond discusses food production and the environment and the [important role of dairy in sustainable food systems](#)



## **COP25 side event with FAO-LEAP**

IDF will join FAO to discuss the Livestock Environmental Assessment and Performance Partnership (FAO-LEAP) Approach for nationally determined contributions (NDCs) at COP25 on 12 December. The side event will be live broadcast and will be available via the following [link](#).



## **Abstracts invited for Symposium**

[Submit your abstract](#) now for the 8th IDF International Symposium on sheep, goat and other non-cow's milk to be held on 4-5 May 2020 in Brussels. You can also listen to a [podcast](#) about the event



## **Major progress on food safety achieved at Codex**

Significant progress on food safety guidance was achieved at the Codex Committee on Food Hygiene (CCFH) held in November, including food allergen management and general principles of food hygiene. [Read IDF's update](#)



## World Dairy Situation 2019

Chair of the IDF Standing Committee for Dairy Policies and Economics

Gilles Froment presents the [IDF World Dairy Situation Report 2019](#)

which includes info on dairy economics, milk production, processing, consumption, markets, trade and pricing ([video](#))



## Launch of Phase 3 of the FAO-LEAP Partnership

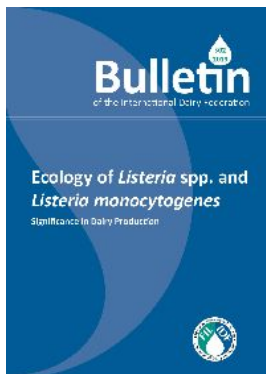
Additional material from the 2019 FAO-LEAP Plenary Meeting is now available, including [Livestock Environmental Assessment and Performance \(LEAP\)](#); [Pathways towards low carbon livestock](#) and a [video recording](#)



## IDF Country Update

IDF's latest Country Update released in October includes the latest updates on milk production, farm gate prices, trade policies and milk prices and other dairy insights. [Download now.](#)

# IDF Publications



## **Bulletin of the IDF N° 502/ 2019: Ecology of *Listeria* spp. and *Listeria monocytogenes*, Significance in Dairy Production**

New guidance outlining additional actions that can be taken in the production process to further minimise the risk of listeria contamination in dairy products. Read the new bulletin (free download)

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## **IDF Animal Health Report N° 13**

IDF's 13th edition of the IDF Animal Health Report. This latest tool to share knowledge in dairy welfare was released in November 2019 and presents 17 case studies on animal welfare from nine different countries. It complements the updated IDF Guide to Good Animal Welfare in Dairy Production 2.0. (free download)

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# IDF Events

## 8<sup>TH</sup> IDF INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON SHEEP, GOAT AND OTHER NON-COW MILK

4 & 5 May 2020 Brussels



[Submit your abstract by 20 December](#)



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