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Editorial

BCTI Team wishes you a Happy New Year!

Probably we all need it. 2015 had two faces. The dark one made it quite weird when obscure forces hit our world and plenty of people, for nothing. The bright side was very much in the energies mobilized against it.

When it comes to technical cooperation, 2015 was exciting, with a wealth of new challenges. And so are the promises of 2016: new projects in Uzbekistan, Kenya, Ethiopia, Algeria, Morocco, Egypt ..., new partnerships. A lot of hope we want to share with you.

Also, this year, BCTI will have its own booth at the Paris International Agricultural Show. On behalf of the French National Livestock Confederation, our office will offer professional and technical orientation and services to foreign visitors interested in liaising in B2Bs or in discussing about project approaches and design. We hope to meet you there in large numbers, as usual. We'll be installed in Pavilion 1, close to the Business Club.

Warm regards

Philippe C. AME

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News & last acquisitions

KAZAKHSTAN: A joint study for livestock development innovations

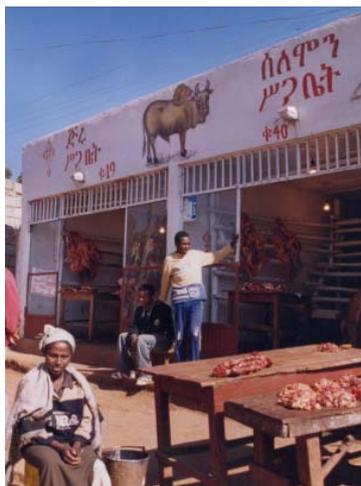
IDELE and NICZHIV have undertaken a joint study to contribute to the reconstruction of the production potential of the livestock sector of Kazakhstan in support to the national policy. The study is intended to provide decision makers of national R & D and innovation transfer system, a set of planning and resource mobilization elements as well as pilot actions models for the revitalization of the sector.

This action-study will offer a range of technological and organizational solutions to be adopted by local decision-makers for the implementation of pilot projects fueling reflection on an operational plan for development at national level. The study is funded by the French National Treasury, IDELE and CNPA. A group of about 15 French companies of the sector also support the venture.

Two missions, involving 4 experts (amongst a team of 7 to be involved in the project) have already been implemented and yielded a wealth of information to both side. An official delegation will attend the Paris International Agriculture Trade Show and several working sessions. The study is expected to be completed in the course of summer 2016.



A joint study on
development
innovations in dairy
and beef value
chains



News & last acquisitions (ctnd.)

Ethiopia: Feasibility study for the relocation of Addis Abeba slaughterhouse (AFD) – Phase II

In a first stage of this study awarded to a consortium led by France Vétérinaire International, IDELE contributed rebuilding the operational business plan of the abattoir. Successful and highly satisfactory completion of the first phase entailed on an extension of the support to the Addis Ababa Abattoirs organization.

Uzbekistan: TA program for the “Sustainable Development in Rural Areas of Uzbekistan” project (EU funded)

The project - awarded to GIZ (consortium leader) - intends to contribute enhancing living standards in rural areas based on growth in the agri-food sector as per the key objectives for the Government of Uzbekistan.

In this project IDELE in partnership with France Veterinaire International and the Italian Breeders Association (AIA) – consortium members – will undertake a couple of pilot projects aiming at building up the economic and social sustainability of livestock products value chain from Dehkan dairy farms in the .Fergana Valley. First preparation missions are expected to be launched in the course of 2016.

Egypt: Livestock Sector

The aim of this project (funded by BLAFE and EU), led by the Animal Production Research Institute (APRIS) with the technical assistance of IDELE, is to contribute to economic and social development in rural areas. The chosen lever is increasing the income of dairy cattle herd of small and average-sized mixed-farming livestock farms, by implementing efficient livestock practices and installing a sector with access to the dairy product market. The project design takes into account all the economic, social and environmental aspects from the point of view of the sustainable development of rural areas.

The project encompasses the installation of Progress Centres for the development of dairy cattle production in up to 4 pilot areas.

Though somehow hampered by the events and sequels of spring 2011, the project impact at end 2015 shows very satisfactory results when it comes to the adoption of good practices (see below) and the subsequent effect on sustainable economic progress.



Adoption of good practices	End 2015	Before project
Feeding	83%	38%
Building	83%	36%
Health care	89%	49%
Hygiene	88%	44%

Impact penetration	End 2015
Total income durably increased	50%
Steady milk production increase	75%

Cooperation with GIZ likely to be extended in Morocco and Algeria

Successful recent cooperation of BCTI with GIZ, operator of Danone Ecosystem foundation programs (dairy farmers and field advisors capacity enhancement) will entail on further assignments in Algeria and new missions in Morocco. This time, BCTI will coach local organizations in charge of training the trainers and advising breeders. These organizations benefitted from the pioneering role and previous inputs of IDELE and thus our experts will concentrate on strategic orientations, methodological adjustments and ad-hoc training.

Presence of BCTI on SIA 2016

Like every year, BCTI will receive and coach delegations of foreign visitors and will foster technical and business exchanges with French professional organizations of the sector.

The BCTI experts team will welcome you in its booth located in Hall 1 (1 M013) between FGE and the Business Club. Furthermore, two mini-conferences will be offered to visitors (in French).

- Sunday 28th February, 3 pm – greetings at the booth**
 “Technical support for farmers in development projects”

Expert testimony: how to organize and implement the technical advice to farmers. Elements for a strategic approach

Michel VAUCORET, newly retired from BCTI, “the cow whisperer”, offers to share his experience in the organization of technical and economic support to farmers in projects. A lifetime of training thousands of advisers taught him that there is a world between theoretical knowledge, or even practical, and the rational transmission to farmers. It will take some time to the young adviser to acquire the right approach, one that combines Man, the expectations of society and the technical requirements. Our job is to prepare him for that. Michel offers to share and discuss methods, organization, tools.

- Monday 29th February, 10 am – greetings at the booth**

“Discovering the Alliance Française de Développement (AFD), French Development Agency”

Presentation of the mission and of the agency's funding instruments

As a public institution, the French Development Agency (AFD) has been committed for more than seventy years to fight against poverty and promote development in Southern countries. It also supports the economic and social dynamism of the French Overseas Territories.

Through grants, loans, guarantee funds or debt reduction and development contracts, it funds projects, programs and studies, and supports its partners in strengthening their capacities.

Jean-Luc FRANCOIS, Head of the Agriculture Division, Rural Development, and Biodiversity (ARB) Department of Sustainable Development (DDD) has agreed to explain the missions, strategies and instruments that place the AFD in the heart of French cooperation.

Other selected events during the fair

- Saturday 27/2, 10am: Breed show for official delegations
- Tuesday 1/3, 9:30am: FGE genomic conference



AGENDA

February - March

26/2-1/3

Paris International Agricultural Show

NEW: IMPROVED PROFESSIONAL ACCESS check <https://en.salon-agriculture.com/Professionals>

April

3rd Edition Wide Angle Dairy conference (Paris), April 12
More: grandanglelait@idele.fr

May

"Made in Viande" Open Day at Villers-Bocage Laboratory, May 21-25

Partners news

The French Livestock Institute (IDELE), INTERBEV and partners launch "BEEF CARBON"

Launched in October 2015, the initiative "LIFE CARBON BEEF" aims at promoting innovative breeding systems and practices to ensure the technical, economic, environmental and social sustainability of cattle farms and improve interactions between climate change and livestock production. The objective of this initiative is to reduce bovine carbon footprint by 15% over the next 10 years in four different countries: France, Ireland, Italy and Spain. Co-financed by the EU LIFE Programme, the CASDAR fund of French Ministry of Agriculture, the initiative is led by the Livestock Institute (IDELE) and the Livestock and Meat Organization (INTERBEV).



Animal Task Force

The Animal Task Force (ATF) promotes a sustainable and competitive livestock sector in Europe. It aims at linking European Technology Platforms and research providers for developing innovation in the livestock sector. The members of the ATF are research providers from 17 Member States of the EU and industry representative bodies that support the interests of Europe's livestock industries.

2016 theme is spelled as "Animal Production, the Key in a European Sustainable Circular Bioeconomy ».

During year 2016, the Animal Task Force would like to engage a dialogue between research, farmers, industry, decision makers and stakeholders to provide input for public policies on Livestock's role in realizing a Sustainable Bioeconomy for Europe and to share on avenues for improvement and research needs.



For more information, please visit www.animaltaskforce.eu



This quarterly newsletter informs you about current technical assistance operations and international promotion conducted by BCTI and the French breeders organizations.

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To submit an article, write to us: intercoop@idele.fr

Interesting links and external news



This year, the Paris International Agricultural Show offers special services to professionals from the agriculture and agro-foods sectors. Whether you're a sector professional from France or overseas, you can request your "Special Professional Visitor" accreditation and get access to the various services and reception facilities.

More: <https://en.salon-agriculture.com>

