



Sustainable organic and low input dairy systems: Challenges and solutions

SOLID Final Conference

Welsh Higher Education Brussels - Wales House, 11 Rond-Point Schuman, Brussels
Tuesday 22nd March 2016

Agenda

9.00	Registration
9.30	Welcome and Introduction to SOLID – Professor Nigel Scollan, Aberystwyth University - UK, SOLID Project Co-ordinator
09:45	Organic and low input dairy systems? The challenges Dr Sinclair Mayne, Agri-Food Biosciences Institute, Northern Ireland
10.15	Discussion Chair - Professor Cled Thomas, SERVICE-ICAR - Italy
10.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.00	Organic and low input dairy breeds – fact or fiction? – Professor Werner Zollitsch, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences (BOKU) - Austria
11.20	There is a feed for every need – Professor Marketta Rinne, Natural Resources Institute (LUKE) - Finland
11.40	The environmental footprint of organic and low-input dairying – John E Hermansen, Aarhus University - Denmark
12:00	Driving competitiveness in dairying - Professor Ludwig Lauwers, Institute for Agricultural and Fisheries Research (ILVO) - Belgium and Professor Raffaele Zanoli, Marche Polytechnic University - Italy
12.20	Discussion Chair - Professor Cled Thomas
13.00	<i>Policy maker networking lunch followed by afternoon session:</i> SOLID in the European Policy Context
13:45	Policy recommendations from results of SOLID – Professor Raffaele Zanoli, Marche Polytechnic University, Italy and Professor Ludwig Lauwers (ILVO) - Belgium
14.15	Future directions for organic and low input dairying in Europe – Ray Keatinge, AHDB Dairy - UK
15.00	Opportunities for legumes in EU dairy systems – Dr Christina Marley, IBERS, Aberystwyth University - UK
15.30	Panel discussion – future challenges in organic and low input dairying
16:00	Thanks and conference close – Professor Nigel Scollan, Aberystwyth University