

Schedule Beef Conference June 17-25, 2010 Townsville, Brisbane, AUSTRALIA

Pre-Conference Training Workshop and Field Trip I

Thu, June 17 **Arrival day training participants**

19:00	Welcome evening training participants
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Fri, June 18 **Model workshop**

9:00 - 10:30	Your feedback about ab last year: experiences, questions, suggestions
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 - 12:30	The typical farm method and the standard operating procedure
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch
13:30 - 15:00	Breakup: sheep group, rest of the group: how to use the results
15:00 - 15:30	Coffee break
15:30 - 17:00	Breakup: sheep group, rest of the group: how to use the results

Evening **Free evening for all**

**The model workshop for advanced users
will be suited to the needs of the participants.**

Sat, June 19

Sun, June 20 **Field trip I (Townsville area)**

8:00 - 17:30	Day 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cow-calf farm with Leucaena tree feeding (Don Heatley, MLA chairman, Byrne station) - Stopovers where we see cattle - Cattle station 'Trafalgar': Presentation of local extension officer, discussion with local producers, barbecue and overnight stay on cattle station
8:00 - 17:30	Day 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wombiana station, feeding and grazing management trials - Visit to the sale yards in Charters Towers - Return to Townsville

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Workshop in Townsville

Sun, June 20 Arrival day conference participants

until 17:30	Arrival conference participants
19:00	Welcome evening conference, Holiday Inn, Townsville

Mon, June 21 New countries, farm stories and emissions

8:30 - 8:45	Session opening
8:45 - 10:15	Country presentations: Australia, Argentina, Canada, China
10:15 - 10:45	Coffee break
10:45 - 12:15	Farm stories: Czech Republic, Mexico
12:15 - 13:45	Lunch
13:45 - 14:45	Farm stories: Colombia, Ukraine
14:45 - 15:15	Coffee break
15:15 - 16:15	Emission benchmark results
16:15 - 17:15	The world of meat - an overview
Evening	Some beach exercise

Tue, June 22 Comparison, sheep and workshop

9:00 - 11:00	International comparison of cow-calf & beef production
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 - 13:00	Sheep analysis
13:00 - 14:30	Lunch
14:30 - 15:00	Sheep analysis
15:00 - 16:30	Workshop: Sheep, emissions, indexing
16:30 - 17:00	Coffee break
17:00 - 18:00	Workshop: Future strategy of agri benchmark Beef (to be continued Wednesday)
Evening	Free evening for all

Wed, June 23 Strategy and travel to Brisbane

9:00 - 12:00	Strategy Outlook for 2011 + 2012 Next steps Beef Report 2010 and planning 2011
12:00 - 18:00	Departure and travel to Brisbane
Evening	Mick Crowley (MLA Brisbane), Garry Griffith (I&I Armidale) Dinner in the Riverview Hotel with introduction to Meet Standards Australia (MSA)

Thu, June 24 Field trip II (Brisbane area)

9:00 - 18:00	Feedlot and abattoir (both in 'Beef City') Pasture breeder/finisher with Droughtmaster cattle Mt. Brisbane (Ipswich)
Evening	Free evening or some exercise / sports event

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Public Forum in Brisbane

Fri, June 25

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Beef production in Australia and main competing countries

8:30 - 9:00 **Reception - Coffee**

9:00 - 9:15 **Don Heatley (Chairman MLA)**
Welcome / opening address

Section 1: Beef production, markets and trends in selected countries

9:15 - 10:05 **Claus Deblitz (agri benchmark/ vTI, Germany)**
Latest results from global benchmarking of beef production

10:05 - 10:30 **Mark Topliff (AHDB Market Intelligence, UK)**
Latest developments of beef production in the EU

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 - 11:25 **Peter Weeks (MLA, Australia)**
Latest developments of beef production in Asia and Oceania

11:25 - 11:50 **Kevin Dhuyvetter (Kansas State University, USA)**
Latest developments of beef production in North America

11:50 - 12:15 **Sergio de Zen (CEPEA, University of São Paulo, Brazil)**
Latest developments of beef production in South America

12:15 - 13:00 Lunch

Section 2: Q&A International and Australia

13:00 - 13:45 **Q&A to the international speakers and the network**

13:45 - 14:45 **Q&A Panel: How to address the burning issues in Australia's beef industry?**

- Don Heatley (Producer)
 - Tom Maguire, Teys Bros Pty Ltd, General Manager-Corporate Affairs
 - Lach Mackinnon, Australian Livestock Exporters' Council, CEO
 - Lachie Hart, CEO Stockyard Beef
- Mediation: Jon Condon

14:45 - 15:15 **Ian McCamley**
Traceability and quality assurance systems in Australia - a producer's view

15:15 - 15:45 Coffee break

Section 3: Other countries and topics

15:45 - 16:15 **Helena Purba (ICASEPS, Indonesia)**
The dynamics of the beef supply chain in Indonesia

16:15 - 16:45 **Wendy Umberger/Sven Anders (University of Adelaide, University of Alberta)**
Latest research in beef supply chain analysis

16:45 - 17:00 **Don Heatley (Chairman MLA)**
Concluding comments

Evening Farewell barbecue for partners and invited guests