

## **DUDC Newsletter 11**



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### Spring

We want to leave the winter, with its coldness, rain and snow, quickly behind us to prepare our garden and/or land for a new growing period with flowers, products etc. The spring is the best period in the year. Certainly the last month we could experience that on a warm day after a cold period, the birds were extremely active. And so the agricultural sector looks for a new good growing season.

As project we are also experiences good and less periods. With good expectations we look forward to our last year of DUDC project. On 1 April 2019 the DUDC project will close its 3-year project. Our goal is of course the activities can be continued. There are, as example for universities, good possibilities to improve level of practical education. During Agro Animal show a special seminar was held about Agricultural education. From business side, there was a clear message that special there is a big need for practical education. Not everybody was happy about this clear message, but to my opinion universities have no choice. We all, including universities, have to look for the future, as we look for the products we want to harvest this summer from the land.

### **1. DUDC at XI International Dairy Congress**

6-7 March 2018 the XI International Dairy Congress was held in “KyivExpoPlaza”. The Annual Dairy Congress gathered together professionals of Dairy Sector. Producers had a chance to exchange their ideas with the government officials and state representatives; to hear about the result of the industry over the past year, to discuss actual dairy sector situation and got the latest information about state support and prospects of the development in 2018 from Olga Trofimtseva, Deputy Minister of Agrarian Policy and Food of Ukraine, Volodymyr Lapa, Head of the State Service of Ukraine on Food Safety and Consumer Protection and Vadim Chagarovskiy, Chairman of the Board of the Ukrainian Union of Dairy Enterprises.

In the first day of the Dairy Congress Ryan van Egmond (GD Animal Health) gave a presentation for the veterinarians and others about the reduction of antibiotics (AB) use in dairy cows. The Dutch livestock sector has been aiming for maximum transparency in antibiotic use since 2011, through the monitoring of use by veterinarians and farmers. Ryan explained the way of the successful reduction of antibiotic in the Dutch Dairy sector. The task for the dairy sector, farmers, vets, dairy processors etc. to realize a huge AB reduction: making antibiotic use transparent (annual daily dose per herd ADD), very limited use of antibiotics important for treating multi resistant pathogens in human patients (3rd preference); implement herd health and treatment plan, no more preventive use of antibiotics (like AB dry cow treatment)

*GD Animal Health is the Dutch leading organization in animal health and animal production. Over ninety years, GD Animal Health has supported veterinarians, farmers, industrial customers and governments by providing animal health programmers and laboratory diagnostic services. At this moment, GD Animal Health supports the implementation of the L. hardjo monitoring program in the Ukraine, and a number of dairy farmers started to participate this L. hardjo*

monitoring program yet. In addition, several seminars were given on mastitis control and the reduction of antibiotics in milk.

The intention is to organize, in collaboration with the CVD lab in Kiev, an Animal Health Seminar in Kiev in the first week of June. More information will be given in the next Newsletter.

## **2. DUDC organize seminar on Feeding for the farm representatives in Poltava region**

17 May 2018 DUDC together with Nuscience-Cehave korn and Triolet organize a seminar on Feeding in Poltavaska region. The seminar will consist of two parts – theoretical and practical part in the farm. During the seminar Rene Kremers will tell which microclimate indicators and conditions of maintenance can "tell" about a state of health of cows. Allard Egging will explain how to organize efficient feeding of high-yielding cows. The place of the seminar will be announced in April as well as a detailed program of the seminar.

## **3. DUDC at Ukrainian Agribusiness Forum in the Netherlands - 31st May, Amsterdam**

The Ukrainian Agro-Industrial Forum will be held 31<sup>st</sup> May in Barbizon Palace hotel, Amsterdam, the Netherlands. Ukraine and the Netherlands are close partners in the agricultural sector, as is reflected in their levels of bilateral trade. The Netherlands are the world's 2nd largest exporter of agricultural products and technology and the government has declared the agri-food sector to be a priority focus with a strong emphasis on innovative, sustainable technologies. In turn, Ukraine is a global leader in agricultural production and is a leading global exporter of grains, vegetable oils and oilseeds, amongst others. In 2017 Ukrainian agricultural exports to the EU increased by 18.4% and the Netherlands were the no. 1 importer. It is clear that the relationship is set to grow further and indeed there is much scope to increase cooperation in technology exchange and implementing best practice. Therefore, building upon the success of our Agribusiness Forum in Kyiv in November, we are pleased to convene the Ukrainian Agro-Industrial & Food Forum, with the full official support of the Ukrainian Embassy in the Netherlands.

Rene Kremers (DUDC) as one of the speaker will tell the outlook for the Ukrainian dairy sector, based upon what the DUDC has achieved to date with the project.

More information about the Ukrainian Agribusiness Forum you can find [here](#)

## **4. Coming activities**

17<sup>th</sup> May - [Ukrainian Agribusiness Forum](#)

23-24 May, «Molochnyi Forum» (Milk forum) Lviv

6-9 June - [AGRO-2018](#)

30.10-2.11 - [InterAgro](#)

6-8 November - [Agroforum](#)

## **5. Useful links from Ministry of Agrarian Policy and Food of Ukraine**

[Doing agribusiness in Ukraine: legal guidance for foreign investors](#)

[Strategy for agriculture and rural development 2015-2020](#)