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01 July 2016

Author Payment Deadline:

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Scientific Topics

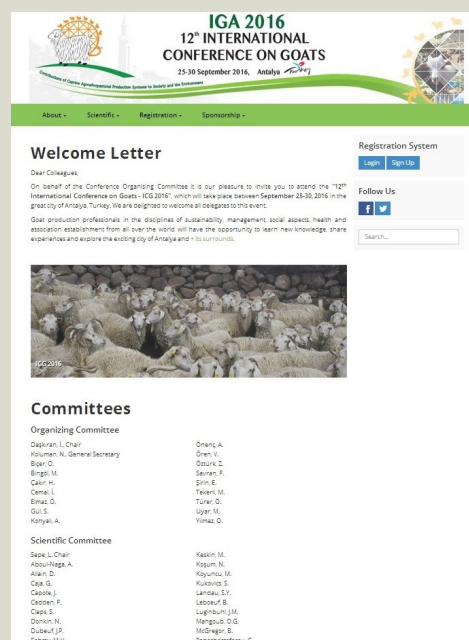
We kindly invite academy/faculty members, researchers, students as well as industry professionals who are interested in, presenting their research and/or academic experience in goat production, sustainability and animal health or related topics, to participate in the ICG 2016 Conference to share their works.

There will be also round table meetings for industry professionals to discuss latest devel-

opments on goat production and there will be workshops about different topics.

Selected papers from oral and poster presentations will be published in **Small Ruminant Research**, published by Elsevier.

- Nutrition and Feeding program
- Biotechnology, Reproduction
- Pathology, Animal diseases, Goat Health
- Physiology, Ethology, Welfare
- Breeding and Genetics
- Goat Products (Milk, Meat, Fiber, Others), Organic Goat Products
- Sustainable Goat Production, Mechanisation and Industrial Goat Systems



- Environment, Goat & Forestry Relations
- Goat and Producer Organizations
- Prospective and Future Visions

Learn more at the conference website: <http://icg2016.org>

Program-at-a-Glance: 12th International Conference on Goats

Day	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	Day 5
Morning	Registration	Opening Ceremony	Plenary Speaker	Plenary Speaker	Technical Tour
		Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	
		Plenary Speaker	Plenary Speaker	Plenary Speaker	
		Parallel Sessions	Parallel Sessions	Parallel Sessions	
Break	Registration	Poster Session & Poster Discussion / Coffee Break	Poster Session & Poster Discussion / Coffee Break	Poster Session & Poster Discussion / Coffee Break	Technical Tour
		Parallel Sessions	Parallel Sessions	Parallel Sessions	
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Afternoon	Registration	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Technical Tour
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Evening	Registration	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Technical Tour
		Round Table Event	Round Table Event	Round Table Event	
		Other Discussions & Workshops	Other Discussions & Workshops	Other Discussions & Workshops	
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Evening	Registration	Welcome Reception	Social Event	Closing Ceremony	Gala Dinner
		Welcome Reception	Social Event	Closing Ceremony	

Argentina's Neuquén goats

On the hoof in Patagonia

It's spring in the Neuquén Province of Argentinean Patagonia, and a goat herder drives his animals to the summer range-lands high in the mountains.

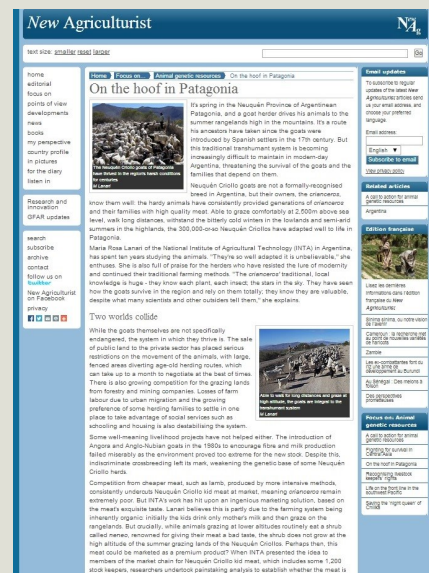
It's a route his ancestors have taken since the goats were introduced by Spanish settlers in the 17th century. But this traditional transhumant system is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain in modern-day Argentina, threatening the survival of the goats and the fami-

lies that depend on them.

Neuquén Criollo goats are not a formally-recognised breed in Argentina, but their owners, the crianceros, know them well: the hardy animals have consistently provided generations of crianceros and their families with high quality meat. Able to graze comfortably at 2,500m above sea level, walk long distances, withstand the bitterly cold winters in the lowlands and semi-arid summers in the highlands, the

300,000-or-so Neuquén Criollos have adapted well to life in Patagonia.

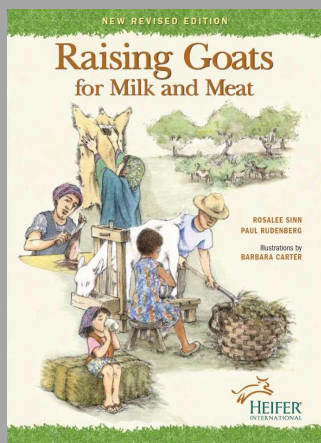

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FREE book: Raising Goats for Milk and Meat

Raising Goats for Milk and Meat is available [as FREE PDF](#).

Heifer International is pleased to present Raising Goats for Milk and Meat. This introductory handbook provides an experience-based training model on the basic care and management of dairy and meat goats. [Also available in Spanish](#), Crianza de Cabra para leche y carne.

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- North Neuquen Town's Councils
- Neuquen Province Government
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Valuation of a traditional farming system of North Neuquen (Patagonia, Argentina) by developing a *PDO* for goat meat

Instituto Nacional de Tecnología Agropecuaria

EEA Bariloche

INTA

Want to learn more

Read the INTA document, Valuation of a traditional farming system of North Neuquen (Patagonia, Argentina) by developing a PDO for goat meat onal conferences.

International Small Ruminant Congress 2014, Konya, Turkey

The Congress will take place on October 16-18, 2014, in Konya, Türkiye (Turkey). The aims of SRC preparation are for both celebration the 100th year anniversary of establishment of BDIARI in 1914 and sharing the recent advances of sustainable sheep and goat production.

A large numbers of scientists and representatives from all over the world will be participating in this congress, which indicates the high interest in the field of sheep and goat Production. Our congress aims to transfer the recent advances in our professional field, to our colleagues, academicians, industries, and related stakeholders to increase professional knowledge accumulation and to gather our colleagues in a social environment. In order to share a scientifically abundant program, we will be very pleased to have you in our Congress hosting expert speakers from Turkey and abroad.

The theme of this Congress is "Sustainable sheep and goat production". We believe that sheep and goat production has become an important and strategic sector to provide high

quality food, job opportunities and farmer's welfare as well. Sustainable sheep and goat production in long term will be significantly influenced by the Ministry of Food Agriculture and Livestock Policy and conserved genetic resources.

Apart from plenary and parallel sessions, the congress will include, both technical and post-congress tour will be organised for demonstration of different varieties of sheep and goats to the participants. In addition to scientific program, local sheep and goat breeds exhibition program, supported by Turkish Sheep and Goat Breeders Association, will be arranged in accordance with our colleagues' demands. Interesting and distinctive social programme will enhance the opportunities for delegates to build a network each other, as well as, enjoy the Turk-Seljuk cultural heritage in Konya, which was The Capital City of Anatolian Seljuk Empire 11th and 12th century.

Simultaneous translation between English and Turkish will be provided during the presentations.

We aimed to create an enjoyable atmosphere with some social activities as well. The participants accommodating in the hotel will be able to benefit from the social facilities of the Congress Centre such as the Turkish bath, sauna, fitness, spa, and indoor and outdoor pools. Breakfast, open buffet lunch will be provided to all Congress participants in addition to tea and coffee servings throughout the day.

To learn more please visit the conference website: www.kucukbas2014.com



Feedipedia: An on-line encyclopedia of animal feeds

Feedipedia is an open access information system on animal feed resources that provides information on nature, occurrence, chemical composition, nutritional value and safe use of nearly 1400 worldwide livestock feeds. It is managed jointly by [INRA](#), [CIRAD](#), [AFZ](#) and [FAO](#).

The main objective of Feedipedia is to provide extension and development workers, planners, project formulators, livestock farmers, science managers, policy makers, students and researchers with the latest scientific information to help them identify, characterize and properly use feed resources to sustainably develop the live-

stock sector.

This is particularly important in emerging and developing countries where feed resources available locally are often under-utilized due to lack of information. Providing global knowledge on feed resources, including unconventional and lesser known ones, contributes to the development and use of innovative and appropriate feeding options and strategies.

Feeds [datasheets](#) contain the following information:

- Feed names, including vernacular and [scientific](#) names
- Description of the plants or plant parts/products used as feed

- Feeding recommendations for the main livestock species: cattle, sheep, goats, camels, poultry, pigs, rabbits, horses, fish and crustaceans
- Tables of composition and nutritive value
- Illustrations, including photos and processing charts
- Distribution and basic agro-nomic information
- Forage management
- Processes for improving nutritional value
- Potential constraints such as presence of anti-nutritional and toxic factors
- Environmental impact of the production and use of feeds

Feedipedia Animal feed resources information system



Capr'inov 2014

Capr'inov the show of the professionals of the goat field, will take place on November 26th and 27th, 2014 in Niort in France. Created in 2006 Capr'inov reunites all the actors of the caprine sector, during two days and attempts to value the professional skill, the know-how, and the innovations ap-

propriate for the field.

This show will include: meetings and exchanges, conferences, caprine competitions, genetic presentations, demonstrations, tastings, etc., and is based in Niort in Poitou-Charente (France), the birth-place of goat production. We



hope you will attend this show. For more information visit their website (www.caprinov.fr), or watch their video on [YouTube](#).

Goat A.I. course at N.C. State Univ., August 11-13

A three-day short course on goat artificial insemination is scheduled for Aug. 11-13 at North Carolina State University in Raleigh, N.C.

The course will feature presentations by faculty members from North Carolina State University and North Carolina A&T State University. It is designed to provide participants with the background and hands-on practice needed to include artificial insemination in goat breeding programs.

Morning lectures from N.C. State and N.C. A&T State faculty members will be followed by afternoon hands-on practice sessions. Topics to be covered

include anatomy and physiology of the female reproductive tract, estrous synchronization, ovulation synchronization, AI breeding techniques (standard and improved), use of fresh, chilled and frozen semen and management considerations including record keeping systems, facilities requirements and pre- and post-breeding management.

Continuing Education Credit: 20 AVMA CE hours for qualified individuals (2014 AVMA CE event ID 3255)

The registration cost is \$400 until July 21 and \$450 after that date. Registration fee includes refreshment breaks, dai-

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ly lunch, course manual and CD, transportation to/from host hotel and all course venues or parking passes for personal vehicles. The course coordinator is Dr. Charlotte Farin, professor of animal science at N.C. State University.

Course information, including course and hotel reservation information, is available online at www.cals.ncsu.edu/ncsugoatAI

Or get more information on Facebook

www.facebook.com/events/730296180322180/

Dairy Goat Conference, China, November 2014

We wanted to give you some early information about the planned Dairy Goat Conference in China's Shaanxi Province, Fuping County.

The conference on Goat Milk Quality in Norway in June 2013 made a deep impression on many of our friends in China. The opportunity to meet ex-

perts from so many other countries has prompted them to plan a conference for November 2014.

Now is a particularly important time in China, as their government is paying close attention to the development of dairy industry and the creation of "cow and dairy goat co-development

strategy" policies. The number of dairy goats in China is about 13 million in 2013, with 2.4 million in Shaanxi alone and 85% of goat milk processing enterprises in China are in the Shaanxi Province. The dairy products by them account for 87% of the goat milk market in China.

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3rd Annual National Goat Expo, September 25-29, 2014

This year will be our 3rd Annual National Goat Expo. This year's NGE will take place September 25-29, 2014 at the McLean County Fairgrounds in Bloomington, Illinois.

The first year was a huge success with 400-450 goats in attendance in 2012 with about 600-800 people in attendance with their goats or for seminars. In 2013, we increased to a total of 825 goats in attendance for show and exhibit, people in numbers for the 5 days increased to 2500+ attending seminars and shows, showing goats or being vendors. We were super excited to have this increase in attendance and the number of goats showing at NGE. Boer goats were the highest in number with 162 goats.

This year we have increased

the number of shows and added 2 new breeds for shows at the NGE. ADGA shows increased from 4 to 6 shows, 2-4 of them being dual sanctioned with AGS. MGR went up to 3 shows, MDGA/TMGR will have 2 dual sanctioned shows, MSFGA will have 4 shows, ABGA will have 3 shows, we have added the Kinder breed to the NGE and they will be having 3 shows, we have also added the Nigora breed to the NGE and they will be having 1-2 shows this year. The Pygmy shows increased to 3 shows as well for NPGA. These shows will begin on Thursday September 25, 2014 and continue through Sunday September 28, 2014.

We will still be having seminars at the NGE, which will take place Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Featured speakers include: Dr. Fred Homeyer,

Deborah Niemann-Boehle. A few others will also speak on topics relative to the goat industry. We will also be having an AI clinic and a Buck collection at the NGE given and being done by David and Brittany Carwell of B & D Livestock. There will also be 2 fitting clinics done by Crede Garriott; 1 on a boer wether and 1 on a boer doe.

For more information about this year's National Goat Expo please visit our website:

www.nationalgoatexpo.org. If you have any questions please email us and we will be happy to help you. If you need more information, you can contact: Jennifer Parrish at president@nationalgoatexpo.org or nationalgoatexpo@yahoo.com. Shannon Miller can be reached at rufarms@yahoo.com.

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Con Gran Acogida se Desarrolló la Expoferia Caprina de la Cuenca del Chillón 2014

El pasado domingo 23 de febrero del 2014 se realizó la VIII Expoferia Caprina de la Cuenca del Río Chillón, en el Recreo Campestre “Aquí me quedo” situado en el Km 39 de la Carretera Lima-Canta, Centro Poblado de Trapiche. El evento fue organizado por el Centro Ganadero Aldea Ecológica, la Oficina Agraria Santa Rosa - Agencia Agraria de Canta de la Dirección General de Agricultura (Gobierno Regional de Lima), y la Municipalidad de Santa Rosa de Quives. Los auspiciadores fueron el Instituto Ecológico para el Desarrollo (IED), la Red Perulactea, el Instituto de Educación Superior Tecnológico Privado de Técnicas Ag-

ropecuarias (INTAP), Veterinaria San Martín y Moligranjeros S.A.C.

El certamen recibió una gran cantidad de visitantes de todo el país, incluso se hizo presente una delegación de la Asociación de Capricultores del Departamento de Ica, quienes disfrutaron de la exposición y venta de ganado caprino, degustación y venta de platos típicos a base de cabrito, venta de productos hechos en base a leche de cabra como: quesos, yogures, helados y manjar blanco. Dentro del variado



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programa sin duda, las actividades centrales y más esperadas de la feria fueron el concurso “La Cabra más Lechera” y el “Juzgamiento de Ganado

Lechero Caprino por Tipo”.

Luego de la inauguración del evento a cargo del alcalde de Trapiche y antes del inicio de los concursos, se realizó una pequeña charla acerca de la importancia de la valoración morfológica en ganado caprino lechero, y sobre todo, los criterios a tomar en cuenta para escoger un buen animal lechero. La charla estuvo a cargo de la Dra. Irma Del Rosario Celi Mariátegui, Ing. Zootecnista de la Universidad Nacional Agraria La Molina (UNALM), docente de la Universidad Científica del Sur (UCSUR) y profesora visitante de la UNALM, especialista en ganado caprino y con formación en técnicas de juzgamiento y calificación lineal en España.



Integrantes del Centro Ganadero Aldea Ecológica S.A.C., junto con la Dra. Irma Celi y a los organizadores del evento.

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The VIII Goat Show of the Chillón River Valley took place with a great welcome

On Sunday, February 23, 2014, the VIII Goat Show of the Chillón River Valley took place in the picnic area “Aquí me Quedo,” located at kilometer 39 of the highway Lima-Canta in the locality of Trapiche. The event was organized by the Ecological Village Livestock Center, The Santa Rosa Office of Agriculture - Agriculture Agency of Canta of the General Directorate of Agriculture (Lima Regional Government), and the Santa Rosa de Quives town hall. The sponsors were the Ecology Institute for Development (IED), the Perulactea network, the Technological Private Institute of Higher Education in Agricultural Techniques (INTAP), Veterinaria San Martín and Moligranjeros S.A.C.



Photo 9. First place, Category Adult Buck - Lower Chillón Riverside

A large crowd of visitors from all over the country attended the event, including a delegation from the Goat Producers Association from the Department of Ica, who enjoyed the exhibitions, the goat sales, the tasting and sale of typical kid-based dishes, yogurt, ice cream and candy made from goat milk. Within the varied program, undoubtedly the central and most anticipated activities of the show were the “Best dairy goat” competition and the “Dairy goat judging” competition.

After the opening ceremony by the Mayor of Trapiche and before the start of the competitions, a short presentation was made about the importance of lineal assessment in dairy goats, and especially the criteria to take into account to choose a good dairy animal. The presentation was given by Dr. Irma Del Rosario Celi Mariátegui, Animal Science Engineer and visiting professor/researcher of the



Picture 4. Milking contest.

Universidad Nacional Agraria La Molina (UNALM), and professor at the Universidad Científica del Sur (UCSUR). Dra. Irma Del Rosario Celi Mariátegui is a goat specialist with training from Spain and Mexico in judging techniques in dairy goats.

MILKING CONTEST

This competition involved the farmers from the Upper and the Lower Chillón River basin with their animals.

Upper Chillón River Basin

- Dairy goat producers association of San Buena Ventura - Canta.
- Dairy goat producers association of Jicamarca.

Lower Chillón River Basin

- Dairy goat producers association ASOGCARH.

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National & International Goat Breeding, Cattle Feed & Agricultural Machinery Convention & Exhibition, Algeria, October 15-17, 2014

The Algerian Milking Goat Association in El-Méniaa, under the patronage of the Minister of Agriculture & Rural Development wishes to inform you that they will be hosting the 2nd edition of the National & International Exhibition of Goat Breeding, Feed and Agricultural Machinery in downtown El-Méniaa City, Ghardaïa, Algeria on October 15-17, 2014.

The association of milking goats, organizer of the event, was founded in 2011 in El-Méniaa City and wants to help farmers to improve the quality of their products and expand their herds of dairy goats. The consumption of milk, meat and goat cheeses are, among oth-



ers, the expected goals by this young association.

Why be present as partner-sponsor?

- You have the unique opportunity to present your products and services to ranchers over 4,000 goats, 6,000 dairy cows and 30 000 camels.
- A wide communication campaign and promotion is scheduled to ensure maximum visibility.

- An exhibition space and B to B is dedicated to you.
- Algerian farmers are looking for training, quality equipment and scientific support for better performance of goats.
- The association brings logistics expertise in terms of organization and content.

This event will be a good opportunity to market your products and services in the Agrarian Saharan area. Please confirm your participation by July 31, 2014.

Best regards,

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Are you an IGA member?

Did you know that you can pay your membership online at the [IGA Store](#)?

Now is a great time to join:

- Memberships are 1 year from when you join.
- Memberships include online access to SRR.
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There were five sessions held within the conference

- 1) Breeding;
- 2) Nutrition;
- 3) Environment and production systems;
- 4) Animal health;
- 5) Human Health, along with one round-table (on animal welfare of goats), and three separate workshops on different sections of goat reproduction.

As many as 92 papers were in-

troduced as oral presentations (ten of them were invited speakers) and new scientific results were also shown on 19 posters. 184 participants from 29 countries participated in the conference programmes.

During the technical tours four goat farms (three of them having milk processing plants) and one national park (with all indigenous domestic animal breeds of Hungary) were introduced to the participants. All information was given in two languages in English and in Russian, and also Hungarian translation was offered for the Hungarian participants.

There was one post-conference tour offered to the participants in Romania on 12 April 2014 showing one big goat farm with milk processing plant.

The final program and the abstract of oral and poster

presentations were printed. The booklet was given to all participants upon arrival.

Conference background and justification

During the 11th International Conference on Goats, held in 2012 in Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (Spain), the Board of the International Goat Association (IGA) authorized the Hungarian Sheep and Goat Dairying Public Utility Association to organise a European Regional Conference on Goats in 2014 in cooperation with Caprirom Romania. Based on an agreement between the Hungarian and Romanian Country Representatives of the IGA, the conference was organised as a joint Hungarian-Romanian event, named as "European Regional Conference on Goats 2014." Most part of the conference took place in Hungary (Debrecen), while the last day's program was carried out in Romania (Oradea).

The Hungarian Sheep and Goat Dairying Public Utility Association established two committees.



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