



# CDCB Update

October 12, 2015

## Changes in the CDCB Board Composition

- Gordie Cook from the Holstein Association USA Inc., has been forwarded by PDCA to complete the term initiated by Glen Brown (expiring in 2018) on the CDCB board starting on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
- Marvin Helbig (term expiring in 2018) has resigned from his position in the CDCB board due to health issues and the DRPCs have forwarded Ted Foster to replace Marvin starting on August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

## CDCB New Staff Members

- Jay Megonigal left his position at AGIL to become the CDCB Data Scientist starting on July 13.
- Kaori Tokuhisa was recruited from Genus plc for the position of CDCB Genomic Data Analyst starting on July 20.
- Kendra Randall was recruited from Nissan of Bowie for the position of CDCB Administrative Assistant, also starting on July 20.
- Marius Decte Temzem has been hired for the CDCB Database Administrator position starting on September 21. Marius was an Oracle DBA Consultant at Birir Inc., Bethesda, MD.

## Actions from the Board of Directors

- The Board of Directors met in August 5-6 to define a strategic business model, which will guide the planning of future business activities of the Council.
- CDCB Board of Directors decided not to participate on the September 2015 Interbull GMACE test run and subsequently on the December 2015 Interbull GMACE official run.
- The 2015 CDCB Industry Meeting was held on September 29<sup>th</sup>, at the Madison Marriott West Hotel and Conference Center, Middleton, Wisconsin. With more than 130 guests in attendance, the program covered three main sections including progress reports from Chair, CEO, Treasurer, AGIL and Interbull Steering Committee, a panel on Status of Dairy Cattle Breeding Research in the U.S. and another panel entitled One Million Genotypes: How Genomics Re-shaped the Dairy Industry.