



**Livestock genomics for developing countries.**

**Organised by a Standing Committee:**      YES

**Meeting information**

Date: Wednesday, July 6, 2023
Time: 2.00 - 5.30 PM (+5 UTC)
Number of participants: up to 91

**Chair**

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## Agenda

1. Introduction
2. Selected Oral presentations.
3. Business meeting.

## Summary of the meeting

### Introduction and Oral presentations

- 1). The ISAG Livestock Genomics for Developing Countries workshop commenced at precisely 2 PM. The total number of attendees reached 91 as the session progressed. About 41 of the attendees are registered ISAG members.
- 2). The chair, Abdulfatai, welcomed the participants, introduced the workshop co-chair and recognised other Standing committee members present.
- 3). The session proceeded with eight presentations. A 30-minute break was observed as outlined in the conference schedule.
- 4). All the speakers were present for their talks and gave their presentations within the allotted time, and there was time for the presenters to answer questions from the audience.
- 5). At the end of the presentations, the chair thanked all the presenters and the audience for participating in the workshop and encouraged them to attend the business meeting.

### Business meetings and election of committee

- 6) The business meeting proceeded immediately, with about half the participants during the talks.
- 7) The workshop chair briefly remarked on the standing committee's role, introduced the current committee members, and stated their terms of service. The terms of service for three committee members (Abdulfatai Tijjani, Kwan-Suk Kim and Marina Fortes) ended at the workshop, and they were eligible for re-election.
- 8). The three committee members pronounced their interest to continue to serve on the committee if duly elected by the participants at the meeting. Also, the chair mentioned that any other participants who wish to serve on the Standing Committee can nominate themselves or be nominated for election.
- 9). Dr Kwan-Suk Kim, who is based in South Korea, notably stated his interest in continuing to serve on the committee because South Korea will be hosting the next ISAG conference, and he will be able to provide necessary local support towards organising the next workshop.



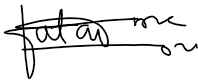
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- 10). No new member was nominated to join the Standing Committee, and by unanimous vote, all three committee members were duly re-elected for an additional term.
- 11). The rest of the business meeting discussion was centred around the challenges of the lack of awareness and opportunities to get more young scientists to participate in the ISAG conference and the workshop. Among the challenges identified include visas, funding/bursary and publicity. However, the strategies discussed include the following.
- 12). The Standing committee to work towards securing funds with the assistance of the advisory committee members. ISAG executive and ISAG South Korea Local organising committee so that bursary awards can be offered to support more participants from developing countries.
- 13). Visa requirements must be prioritised and made available early enough to enable attendees to secure their visas on time.
- 14). Awareness for ISAG 2024 in South Korea could be advertised at the All-Africa Animal Agriculture Conference on 26 – 29 September 2023 at Travelodge, Gaborone, Botswana.
- 15). There was a proposal to host a webinar to create awareness among scientists from developing countries for the next ISAG conference and Livestock Genomics for Developing Countries workshop. The Standing Committee will work with the ISAG executive and ISAG 2025 LOC on the webinar around a year before the next meeting.
- 16). To ensure that the Livestock Genomics for Developing Countries is represented globally, the selection of abstracts and work should be based on species, region, and technology.
- 17). Senior scientists were nominated as Advisory committee members for the Livestock Genomics for Developing Countries. They include Este Van Marle-Koster and Olivia Mapholi (South Africa), Olivier Hanotte (ILRI/CGIAR), Prof Anne (??), Paul Boucher (FAO) and Ikhide Imumorin (USA). The Standing Committee will seek further directives and confirmation of the advisory committee members from the ISAG executive.
- 18). The chair thanked all attendees for their contributions, and the meeting ended at about 5.45 PM.

**Standing Committee members**

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**SIGNATURES:**




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**Abdulfatai Tijjani (Chair)**




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**Khanyisile Hadebe (Co-Chair)**



Standing Committee members with Dr Paul Boucher (FAO) at the end of ISAG2023 Livestock Genomic for Developing Countries workshop.

From Left to Right; Drs Marina Fortes, Kwan-Suk Kim, Khanyisile Hadebe, Paul Boucher, Catrina Ginja and Abdulfatai Tijjani.