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Dates

September	Teagasc see link
5th & 6th Sept	Director General College
9-11 th Sept	SCoPAFF Animal Nutrition
24 th Sept	Climate Change Work Shop
26 th Sept	Feed Formulators Seminar Amsterdam
8 th Oct	Premix/Mineral Feed Committee
9 th Oct	Animal Nutrition Committee
12 th Nov	Workshop on trade impact of pesticide residues

Consultations/ Websites

Crop Forecast	DAFM Reg. & App. FBO's
DAFM FBO Forms	DAFM Brexit
DAFM AMR	DAFM Trader Notices
FSAI AMR	Pig Innovation

General News

UFAS 2020



At the beginning of 2019 UFAS review group began reviewing the current standard (edition 2016). The purpose is to ensure the scheme remains relevant. The format of

UFAS 2020 will mirror also that of FEMAS 2019, which since its implementation has received positive feedback for clarity and presentation. The principles of the review process are:

- Concentrate on outcomes, rather than specifying methods of compliance
- Where possible, use existing wording from other AIC standards and documentation
- Include all relevant requirements instead of referring to other standards (e.g. TASC)

The draft UFAS 2020 Standard has been sent for public consultation during August and participants comments will be particularly valuable. The public consultation period lasts until 20th September 2019.

UFAS Email Address

Due to Acoura's further integration within the wider Lloyd's Register Group, @acoura.com email addresses are being replaced with dedicated Lloyd's Register address by the end of August 2019.

From now on, UFAS correspondence should be directed to: ufas-ca@lr.org.

There will be a transition period, during which Acoura emails will be forwarded to this LR email address and both accounts will be monitored by the same specialist UFAS team with no impact on communication or availability.

EU Price Dashboard.

The monthly Commodity price dashboard presents a summary of producer and consumer prices for most representative agricultural products. It also includes indicators for energy and fertilizers see [link](#)

AGRICULTURAL COMMODITY PRICES – June 2019

Agricultural Commodity	EUROPEAN UNION 28			WORLD			
	Monthly average	Annual change	Monthly change	Monthly average	Annual change	Monthly change	
CEREALS (1)	EUR/T	%	%	USD/T	EUR/T	%	%
Soft wheat	183.0	4.4%	-0.6%	227.5 (2)	201.5	-5.8%	7.3%
				221.7 (3)	196.3	8.2%	9.3%
Durum wheat	216.5	7.3%	-1.8%				
Maize	177.6 (5)	8.7%	6.2%	196.3	173.8	18.2%	14.0%
Barley	158.5	-4.1%	-2.4%	170.8	151.2	-14.8%	-5.4%
MEAT							
Beef	3 545.7	-5.7%	-2.2%	4 629.2	4 099.2	9.1%	0.6%
Pork	1 774.4	22.1%	2.8%	1 644.3	1 456.0	-4.3%	-6.2%
Poultry	1 901.4	-0.7%	0.5%	2 048.1	1 813.6	-19.6%	-3.8%
DAIRY							
Butter	3 991.6	-31.2%	-4.0%	4 633.0	4 102.5	-18.7%	-17.7%
Cheese	3 114.2	-7.3%	-1.3%	3 904.0	3 457.0	-1.9%	-17.5%
SMP	2 040.5	33.5%	1.0%	2 417.0	2 140.3	14.4%	-5.7%
WMP	2 936.0	4.0%	-0.6%	3 058.0	2 707.9	-7.0%	-5.4%
OILSEEDS							
Soya beans				371.0	328.5	-6.8%	7.5%
Rapeseed	369.3	6.2%	1.0%				
SUGAR							
White sugar	320.0 (4)	-13.0%	0.3%	332.0	294.0	-4.0%	1.8%
RICE (milled)							
Japonica	820.0	26.2%	0.0%	850.0	752.7	-14.2%	-0.4%
Indica	570.0	-1.7%	0.0%	393.0	348.0	-3.4%	2.3%

Blockchain Container



The first paperless, instantly financed and fully door-to-door tracked container made its way from Korea to the warehouse of Samsung SDS in Tilburg via Port of Rotterdam on

Blockchain-based platform DELIVER. ABN AMRO, Port of Rotterdam and Samsung SDS demonstrated that blockchain technology enables interoperability,

and that integrated container tracking and tracing, required cargo documentation processing and financing can all be done in a trusted, secure and **paperless** way.

New technologies such as blockchain have the potential to take over supply chain management entirely. As demonstrated in a Proof of Concept (PoC), a comprehensive supply chain management system with paperless integration of physical, administrative and financial flows is now truly feasible. The DELIVER concept fuels process automation and provides value for all actors in the supply chain see [link](#) for more information.

Brexit: Practical steps to keep agri-food trade moving

The UK Government has stated that the UK will leave the EU on 31 October 2019 with or without a deal.

It remains the Government's view that the best way to ensure an orderly withdrawal, protect the Good Friday Agreement and avoid a hard border is to ratify the Withdrawal Agreement, including the backstop.

Once the UK leaves the EU it will cease to be part of the single market and EU regulations regarding the import and export of animals, plants and products of animal or plant origin will apply.

You are invited to attend a free seminar, which will be hosted by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, in The Printworks, Dublin Castle on Tuesday 10th September on Brexit and the steps you can take to keep agri-food trade moving. The event will be opened by Minister Michael Creed and speakers will include representatives from both the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine and from the Revenue Commissioners. A representative from the French Embassy will also be in attendance to discuss the operation of the Landbridge.

Who should attend?

1. Agri-food businesses of all sizes and their logistics companies, hauliers, retailers, importers / exporters, transport companies and representative bodies.
2. The seminar will also be of interest to businesses moving non-agri goods as it covers customs procedures for non-EU trade, the operation of the Landbridge and the range of Government supports available to businesses to get Brexit ready.

To attend this free seminar, register here

Topics that will be covered include:

1. Information and practical support for businesses moving agri-food, animals (including fish), plants, and products of animal and plant origin
2. Information in relation to requirements of customs formalities for non-EU trade and how and where

they apply, including import, export and transit formalities

3. Post-Brexit process flow for moving agri-food commodities and operator requirements vis-à-vis registration, documentation, advance notification etc.
4. What businesses moving agri goods through the UK Landbridge can expect – a French perspective
5. What steps businesses can take to ensure their goods move efficiently through the ports
6. State bodies and agencies will be present to provide information to help businesses to register as appropriate and/or avail of supports

Seminars will also be held in the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine in Johnstown Castle, Wexford, on 27 September and in Cork on 30 September 2019.

Agri-Food Strategy 2030

Mr. Michael Creed T.D., Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine invites submissions, observations and comments on Irelands Agri-Food Strategy to 2030.

[Food Wise 2025](#) is the current ten-year strategy for the agri-food sector in a series of ten-year plans that have been in place since 2000. While Food Wise has been instrumental in providing a framework and statement of intent for the industry, like all strategic plans for the future, it must evolve and respond to a rapidly changing context both within and outside the sector. The Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM) has begun the process for developing the next ten-year strategy to replace Food Wise 2025 and a public consultation forms an essential part of this process. The consultation is framed to ascertain the views of all stakeholders on the direction of the sector to 2030 and what strategic actions are required to ensure it lives up to its potential, as well as societal expectations.

How to get involved?

Survey and forms can be found [here](#)

RASFF Aug 1st-31st

Total	280	Feed Premixtures	0
		Feed additives	2
Food	230	Feed material	17
		Fats and Oils	0
Food contact materials	23	Compound Feed	1
		Herbs & Spices	0
Feed Total	27	Pet food	7
		Nuts, nut products & seeds	

Technical News

Mycotoxins



The following guidance document [Guidelines to minimise the risk of fusarium mycotoxins in cereals](#) is a good read see [link](#).

During this busy harvest period, think safety and be careful.

AMR – iNAP Animal Health

Recap: An Animal Health Implementation Committee was set up in 2018, chaired by Ireland’s Chief Veterinary Officer, and tasked with overseeing the completion of the Animal Health actions outlined in iNAP. The stakeholders represented on the committee are Animal Health Ireland (AHI), Animal and Plant Health Association (APHA), Bord Bia, Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Food Safety Authority of Ireland (FSAI), Irish Co-operative Organisation Society (ICOS), Irish Creamery Milk Suppliers Association (ICMSA), Irish Farmers’ Association (IFA), **Irish Grain and Feed Association (IGFA)**, Meat Industry Ireland (MII), Safefood, Teagasc, University College Dublin (UCD), Veterinary Council of Ireland (VCI) and Veterinary Ireland (VI). This committee meets quarterly.

The 2018 iNAP Animal Health Implementation Plan Bi-Annual Progress Reports have been published on DAFM website see [link](#)

You may be interested in completing the EU-JAMRAI questionnaire on Stewardship Programmes before its Monday 2nd September 2019 deadline that is published at: <https://eu-jamrai.eu/questionnaire-animal-health-wp7-2/>

The results will be summarized globally, so responders will remain anonymous, and published within the EU-JAMRAI web.

ASF risk of different feed types



In the US a series of workshops took place covering the ASF risk of different feed types. The article below includes a link to a set of relevant reports, may

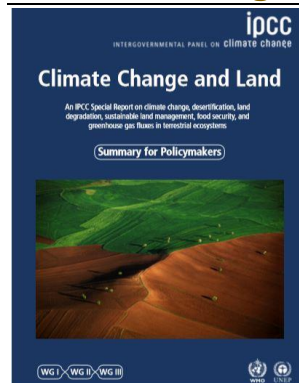
be interesting for you

African swine fever (ASF) is creating major changes in global livestock feed ingredient and food trade, with U.S. pork producers using swine feed ingredients -- including vitamins and soybean products -- imported from China, where the ASF pandemic continues to grow, according to the **Swine Health Information Center (SHIC)**.

Responding to the potential threat posed to U.S. swine herd health by these imported ingredients — which may be vectors for ASF transmission — SHIC brought together vitamin manufacturers and the soybean industry for workshops at the University of Minnesota in April and July.

At each event, SHIC said the purpose was to discuss and better understand how imported vitamin and soybean products relate to disease transmission. For more information see [link](#)

Climate Change and Land



The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) published a Special Report on Climate Change & Land on 8 August 2019. Contrary to wide-spread media reporting, the Special Report does not include a specific recommendation for reduced meat consumption or the adoption of vegetarian/vegan diets.

The [full IPCC report](#) is over 1,400 pages long and is divided over 7 chapters.

There is however a [40-page summary](#) available for policy makers.

The authors include better grazing land management, improved manure management, higher-quality feed, and use of breeds and genetic improvement as climate change adaptation and mitigation practices in livestock farming. They also state that depending on the farming and pastoral systems and level of development, reductions in the emissions intensity of livestock products may lead to absolute reductions in GHG emissions. Many livestock related options can enhance the adaptive capacity of rural communities, in particular, of smallholders and pastoralists.

Climate Change: Soil pore structure - carbon storage

Scientists have recently discovered a new mechanism determining how carbon is stored in soils that could improve the climate resilience of cropping systems and also reduce their carbon footprints see [link](#)

Training in Good Manufacturing

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Now that the recent round of GMP training in Animal Feed Milling is completed we look forward to the next training dates in **October 2019**. A total of eighteen people took part in the training session in April with eight out-visits to site. The out-visits proved really beneficial in that theory learnings could be put into practice, and not just with the course participants, but with all operators in the mill.

The need for continuous investment in training is recognised by top companies and the IGFA through its members are delivering on this.

Testimonials

“James brought with him a lifetime of experiences that assisted us with many aspects of our business. He has a can-do attitude which was evident throughout all his works. James’ teachings and techniques left us with some very useful tools to assist us in, not just running our business, but growing and expanding the business to meet our customer’s needs” ...

“Focusing us on getting the small things right might sound simple, however can we put our hand on our hearts and say we always do this”? I really enjoyed this teaching day, both class room and in our mill. I am glad to see the industry are responding to the educational needs of its members.

A word from the course Lecturer

“There was such a buzz of communication and networking about the room I was almost afraid to call time after morning tea break” was how James Doyle described the atmosphere of their most recent Good Manufacturing Practice training course held by the IGFA & Carlow Kilkenny Skillnet. James followed on to say, “we learn from each other, from well before the time we are able to walk, sometimes learning how not to do something! Meeting new contacts, networking and having the luxury of knowing where to get help, or give help, is something we require throughout our lives”

Feed Additives Register

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Additions
3; b; Compounds of trace elements; 3b614; Zinc chelate of methionine sulfate
3; c; Amino acids, their salts and analogues; 3c371; L-valine produced by Corynebacterium glutamicum KCCM 11201P;
4; a; Digestibility enhancers; 4a30; Preparation of endo-1,4-beta-xylanase produced by Bacillus subtilis LMG S-27588
4; b; Gut flora stabilisers; 4b1841; Enterococcus faecium (DSM 7134) (Bonvital) (use in water for drinking)
4; b; Gut flora stabilisers; 4b1892; Bacillus amyloliquefaciens NRRL B-50508, Bacillus amyloliquefaciens NRRL B-50509 and Bacillus subtilis NRRL B-50510
Amendment
4; a; Digestibility enhancers; 4a27; Preparation of 6-phytase, produced by Aspergillus niger (DSM 25770)
Deletion
5; Coccidiostats and other medicinal substances; E 758; Robenidine hydrochloride 66 g/kg (Robenz 66 G) (Holder of the authorisation Zoetis Belgium SA) [Chickens for fattening; Turkeys for fattening];
Correction
4; d; other zootechnical additives (improvement of the feed to gain ratio); 4d16; Preparation of muramidase (EC 3.2.1.17) (lysozyme) produced by Trichoderma reesei
Corrigendum CS
4; b; Gut flora stabilisers; 4d1712; Pediococcus acidilactici CNCM MA 18/5M in water for drinking