

## **EUROPEAN HOLSTEIN AND RED HOLSTEIN CONFEDERATION**

2013 EHRC Judging School Conference.
Arnhem,
Netherlands
13/14/15 September 2013

36 Judges from 16 Countries 6 Committee Members Master Judges

The 2014 EHRC Judges Panel was finalised by the results from the 2013 Judging School. The arrangements for the judging day and the farm and location were excellent, which contributed to an excellent and informative event. On behalf of EHRC and everyone who attended a big thank you to Arie Hamoen and his team.

Reason Giving is an integral part of the art of Holstein Judging. This aspect was evaluated by four Master Judges and although some minor differences in scores were observed, this was deemed a fair way to rank the Judges reason giving ability. By comparison if only two of the Master Judges scores were accepted the results would have been different.

The Judging of the animals followed the traditional system of four Master Judges judging the classes and explaining their placing's, the results being computed to provide a ranking of Judges, based on a combination of the results from all the classes. Discussion was encouraged on each class to ensure the finer details of the placing were fully understood.

2014 Judges Panel was decided by the results of the workshop and the application of the EHRC rules concerning non-attendance at either one or two workshops. The success of the EHRC European Judges harmonisation programme has resulted in the exchange of Judges across many European countries, one of the prime objectives of the EHRC programme.

The next workshop will be arranged (most probably first week) September 2015 by Hungarian Holstein Association.

The Working Group Judging Harmonisation:

- Gabriel Blanco, Spain.
- Arie Hamoen, Netherlands.
- Guido Simon, Germany.
- John Gribbon, UK (Chairman 2009 -13).
- Markus Gerber, Switzerland.
- Tamas Sebok, Hungary...
- Keld Christensen, Denmark, 2014 chairman of the Working Group



