

# Seeking Expression of Interest

## Policy Advisory Groups (PAGs)

The Australian Dairy Farmers (ADF) Policy Advisory Groups (PAGs) are committees that assist the ADF Board and National Council in fulfilling responsibilities to:

- Develop appropriate business goals and objectives;
- Anticipate and research potential policy settings, interpret implications for the dairy industry and formulate ADF strategies and policies
- Recommend policy settings to the Board via the National Council
- For issues impacting on the whole of dairy supply chain, formulate strategies and policies for the ADIC
- Consult with and provide feedback to Dairy Australia Reference Groups; and
- Consult with and provide guidance and feedback to State Dairy Farmer Organisations (SDFOs) and key industry partners, particularly the Australian Dairy Industry Council, Australian Dairy Products Federation, Dairy Australia, National Farmers Federation, and Animal Health Australia.

The five ADF Policy Advisory Groups are:

- Animal Health and Welfare
- Farming Systems and Herd Improvement
- Markets, Trade and Value Chain
- Natural Resources
- People and Human Capacity

PAGs meet at least once per year (face to face) and, ideally, three times per year including teleconference. In the case where PAGs have face to face meetings, expenses and sitting fees will be covered by ADF in line with internal policy.

PAGs are appointed by the ADF Board every year to ensure that there is an opportunity for ADF Business members with the skills, talent and interest to become involved. Please note that a PAG committee member is able to sit on a maximum of two PAGs per person.

## Skills and Interest

Ideally, a PAG will have members with a specific interest in the policy area and a complementary mix of skills and experience. The ADF National Council recommendation for appointment of PAG members is based on an assessment of each individual's likely contribution and an assessment of the optimal combination of individuals for that PAG, and taking into account geographical representation on the PAG.

Generally PAGs will consist of six members including two to three National Councillors (some PAGs may be larger to accommodate industry specialist skilled contributors).

## Expression of Interest for membership of a PAG

ADF uses an Expression of Interest (EOI) process to invite ADF Business Members to register interest in serving on a PAG. The EOI process seeks people with interest and enthusiasm, a commitment to the policy area.

ADF Business Members are invited to lodge a brief statement indicating reasons for interest in the PAG and a brief summary of experience relevant to the PAG. If you are interested in joining more than one PAG, simply indicate so on the form. The completed form can be faxed or scanned and emailed back to the ADF Member and Corporate Services Officer following instructions on the following form.

**Expression of Interest to join an Australian Dairy Farmers Policy Advisory Group****Applications close 30 January 2015**

Name:

ADF Membership Number:

Preferred Contact Phone Number:

Signature

Date

**I am interested in joining the following PAG(s):**

- Animal Health and Welfare
- Farming Systems and Herd Improvement
- Markets, Trade and Value Chain
- Natural Resources
- People and Human Capacity

**Attachments**

Please attach the following to the completed Expression of Interest form:

- Letter outlining why you are interested in joining the nominated PAG(s) including your skills and experience relevant to the
- One page resume

Please return completed application to:

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Melbourne VIC 3000

Email [schahine@australiandairyfarmers.com.au](mailto:schahine@australiandairyfarmers.com.au)

Fax: (03) 8621 4280

If you have any queries

Telephone (03) 8621 4200

*If you are not already an ADF Business Member, we encourage you to apply to join, so that you can be eligible to become a PAG Member. Please find the link to the Membership signup on the ADF website.*