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Theme: Focus on important aspects to ensure  
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Theme: Technological advances to become  
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### WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER 2020

#### Running a profitable livestock farming enterprise

- 09:00-09:15 – Welcome and opening
- 09:15-09:45 – **DR JOHN PURCHASE** (Agbiz): A five year forecast for the livestock sector
- 09:45-10:15 – **PROF KEVIN KIRKMAN** (University of KwaZulu-Natal): Rotational grazing systems that suit your environment
- 10:15-10:30 – Break
- 10:30-11:00 – **PROF BOB WEABER** (Kansas State University, America): The ideal cow size for your environment
- 11:00-11:20 – **PROF DIETMAR HOLM** (University of Pretoria): When should you mate those heifers and plan the ideal calving season?
- 11:20-11:40 – **PROF EDDIE WEBB** (University of Pretoria): Running a profitable livestock enterprise: Production and reproduction efficiency
- 11:40-12:15 – **MR MARTIN SEYFFERDT** (South Africa's premium judge) and **PROF FRIKKIE NESER** (University of the Free State): Bull and cow selection
- 12:15-12:45 – Panel discussion

### THURSDAY 15 OCTOBER 2020

#### Focus on important aspects to ensure a sustainable livestock enterprise

- 09:00-09:15 – Welcome and opening
- 09:15-09:45 – **DR FRIKKIE MARÉ** (University of the Free State): International markets and international market requirements (*presented in Afrikaans*)
- 09:45-10:15 – **MR DANIE SLABBERT** (farmer from Reitz): Regenerative livestock production
- 10:15-10:30 – Break
- 10:30-11:00 – **DR SCHABORT FRONEMAN** (Zoetis): Animal health – key aspects that you should consider to make an immediate impact
- 11:00-11:30 – **MR JOHAN MOUTON** (Molatek): Optimize your nutritional requirements: Start with the basics
- 11:30-12:00 – **MS CHÉRI-LYNN STEYN** and **DR FRIKKIE MARÉ** (University of the Free State): Backgrounding your animals for increased economic returns (*presented in Afrikaans*)
- 12:00-12:30 – Panel discussion

### FRIDAY 16 OCTOBER 2020

#### Technological advances to become internationally competitive

- 09:00-09:15 – Welcome and opening
- 09:15-09:45 – **MS IZAAN DU PLOOY** (LRF) and **PROF NORMAN MAIWASHE** (Agricultural Research Council of South Africa): Does selection on Estimated Breeding Values work? Results from 20 years of selection
- 09:45-10:15 – **DR BRAD WALMSLEY** (Animal Genetics and Breeding Unit, Australia): The advantages of selecting for feed efficiency – for feedlots and on rangelands
- 10:15-10:30 – Break
- 10:30-11:00 – **DR MATT WOLCOTT** (Animal Genetics and Breeding Unit, Australia): Reproduction technologies in Australia using *Bos Indicus* cattle as an example
- 11:00-11:30 – **DR MARIO BEFFA** (Zimbabwe) and **MR JACO MAASS** (BKB): Animal identification, traceability and how both fit into blockchain technology
- 11:30-12:00 – **MR CHRISTIAN DUFF** (Angus Association of Australia): Can genomics transform the livestock industry (with the Australian Angus feedlot as an example)?
- 12:00-12:30 – Panel discussion

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