



# GLOBAL ROUNDTABLE FOR SUSTAINABLE BEEF

## National Roundtables Minutes June 15, 2023

### GRSB Members Present:

Monica Hadarits (CRSB); Gustavo Marino (MACS); Aline Moreno (CNOG); Louisa Icke (NZRSB), Jacob Betros (ABSF), Catherine Forero (MRGSM); Sam Werth (USRSB); Jose Lucero (MACS); Louisa Icke, Roz Davis (ERSB)

GRSB Staff Present: Ruaraidh Petre, Josefina Eisele, Katie Ambrose, Kellie Lasack, Hillary Fenrich, Julie James, Interpreter Daniel Reyes

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Roz Davis opened the call highlighting today's agenda:

### New way of working as a National Roundtable (NRT) Community:

- This idea came out of the last Global Conference in Denver with the desire to move and work together more as a community of inclusivity, collaboration, camaraderie with strategic objectives and purpose each month (Strategic. Inclusive. Connected. Recognition.).
- Roz shared the work plan initially put together by Monica Hadarits and welcomed additional feedback and suggestions to further incorporate. Once the workplan is agreed upon, a summary will be shared with the Executive Committee (EC), Board of Directors (BOD) and Working Groups (WG). This process is to get us started and may be revisited in six months for any necessary tweaks as the NRT agrees.
- The NRTs are to discuss and identify objectives and joint agenda topics for the monthly calls to promote full engagement. The chairs will administrate the agendas accordingly. The chairs will be on a 3-month rotational basis with overlap (chair 1 with chair 2; chair 2 with chair 3, chair 3 with chair 4....).
- Suggestions for the monthly calls include:
  - Facilitate and extract more member input by specifically asking of each roundtable directly for their response on the call. Otherwise, it is too comfortable to say nothing when there are questions, ideas or objections that are important to be shared (this is in keeping with moving and working as a community).
  - Provide content in advance of each monthly call for careful review so there is room on the call for discussion of any questions and feedback.
  - Allow a section for Any Other Business (AOB) to ensure opportunity for anyone to share any news of pertinence or celebratory that was not on the agenda.

### What do NRTs need for the Global Goals reporting?

- Roz emphasized that the NRTs will be leading the Global Goals reporting process and it is important they are comfortable with the material and are adequately equipped to support the goals reporting process.

- Scenarios and examples of reporting are helpful, i.e., the Nature Positive example (Hillary Fenrich will circulate to the NRTs).
- The continuation of 1:1 calls, and monthly meetings specifically to explain the goals and share examples to help increase understanding and familiarity would be helpful.
- Important to indicate how reporting data will be used both internally and externally by GRSB so as to be clear on this, and have the opportunity to check in with our NRT members on the proposed approach (who often will be the owners of the data).
- Big picture – restating what success looks like for the reporting, what do we want to get out of the reporting process, what it is (e.g., building a collection of great examples of positive action being taken), what it is not (e.g., generating a performance review of how NRTs are performing to the goals)
- NRTs to share their approaches on data sources, collection and collation (useful for NRTs to hear and learn from each other)
- A clear timeline with the key milestones – and for NRTs to have the opportunity to check and align to this.

#### An agreed approach for NRT input on the FAO Global Sustainable Livestock Transformation conference (Sept 23-27, 2023).

- Sam Werth reviewed the proposal in process and welcomed NRT input.
- Ruairaidh Petre advised the most suitable side event theme for GRSB would be under “Partnerships for Investments in the Livestock Sector”. It was agreed that Ruairaidh would be the contact for coordination.
- The regions identified for sending representation are: North America, Latin America, Europe and Oceania. Ruairaidh added it is important that GRSB has widespread representation including geographical and gender. Please let GRSB know if and who may be able to attend representing the respective regions. There will be representation from Europe and US/Canada.
- It was suggested to draft a manifesto, and emphasize the roles of the Private Sector and Producers.
- Please email [swerth@usrsb.org](mailto:swerth@usrsb.org) with any additional feedback for integration.

#### Agenda items for next meeting.

- The next meeting will be July 20<sup>th</sup>.
- The agenda will include 3 core topics: (1) Global Goals Reporting, (2) Social Goal Development, (3) Brainstorm agenda (and when/where) for the next in-person meeting.
- 3 standing agenda items will include: (1) Inputs from GRSB Board, EC, WGs and Comms Council relevant to NRTs, (2) Open space (AOB) (for any brief updates, highlights, progress, as needed), and (3) Key points to share from and back to the EC/BOD/WGs/Comms Council
- It is noted to not overly pack the agendas to ensure ample room for dialogue.

#### AOB

- Katie Ambrose shared the next Communications Call will be Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup> when discussion will continue in planning for the next Communicators Summit and Tour in San Diego, Oct. 2-3. A Save-the-Date was sent earlier today.
- Sam briefly shared the tour will be to the Imperial Valley to include stops at: Mesquite Cattle Feeders, UC Desert Research and Extension Center and Austel Family/4J Horse and Livestock.
- Ruairaidh added he will be making a submission today for the Committee for Food Security (CFS), Rome, Oct. 23-27.
- Monica requested the NRTs to submit any pertinent event ideas so the NRTs can coordinate representation to ensure the works of GRSB and the NRTs are highlighted. Ruairaidh and Sam will be representing at the FAO in Rome.
- Suggestion was made to know how other roundtables are approaching data collection.

#### Key points from this NRT meeting to be fed back to GRSB Board, EC, WGs and Comms Council and

Next Steps:

- For GRSB Board, EC, WGs and Comms Council – a simple summary of the what was agreed on the new ways of working as a NRT Community (the small group of NRTs that have worked up the proposal will prep this summary)
- For WGs – points raised as needs for the NRTs for the global goals reporting process
- For Comms Council – NRT proposal for side event at FAO Sustainable Livestock Conference

**Next National Roundtable Meeting – July 20, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (US Central / Canada Time)**