

Giving Milk a Good Shake

International conference on calf-at-foot dairying

Thursday March 5 & Friday March 6, 2026

Day 1: March 5th

10:00 Walk in at Ekoboerderij Arink, Gasteveldsdijk 6, Lievelede with coffee/tea and “lekkers”

10:30 Opening of the conference by Lesley Moffat, director of Eyes on Animals and Janina van der Drift, director of Kalverliefde.

Morning Presentations

11:00 Presentation Dr. Margret Wenker, The Netherlands

11.30 Presentation by Charles Ellet from The Ethical Dairy, Scotland

11:50 Presentation by Saro Ratter, Schweisfurth Stiftung, Germany

12.10 Presentation by Cathy Palmer, How Now Dairy, Australia

12.25 Q&A

12:45 Lunch at the farm

Afternoon presentations

13:30 Presentation by Durk Oosterhof from BioSud farm, The Netherlands

13.50 Presentation by Kevin McSweeney from Five Freedoms Dairy, USA

14:10 Presentation by Evert Niemijer/Bart Oors, Cow Manager, The Netherlands

14.30 Presentation by Poppe Braam, Did It, The Netherlands

14.50 Presentation by Sander van Stee from Moral Milk, Canada

15.10 Q & A

15.20 Coffee break with calf at foot milk!

15:30 Tour of calf-at-foot farmer John Arink

16.00 Panel discussion with: Cathy, Margret, Durk, Ronald, Cornelia, Kevin

16.20 Closing the day

16.30 Drinks and dinner snacks

18.00 End

Day 2: March 6th

9.15 Bus pick-up from Hotel Loco, Lievelderweg 118, Lievelede

9:30 Bus pick-up Biotel, Gastevelsdijk 6, Lievelede

10:00 **Arrive at Boerderij Ruimzicht, Bielemansdijk 11a, Halle**

10.10 Tour by Gerjo Koskamp Boerderij Ruimzicht, Halle

12:00 Lunch

13:00 Depart for Burger Boerderij de Patrijs in Laren, Gelderland

14.00 Arrive at Burgerboerderij de Patrijs, Dochterenseweg 13 A, Laren (GLD)

14.05 Tour by Joanne, Burgerboerderij de Patrijs, Laren

- Real case scenario, how to solve challenges at the calf at foot farm

15.30 Panel discussion

16.30 Closing the day

16.45 Drinks and dinner snacks

18.00 Bus departs back to Lievelede