

Foreword

The articles published in the **Research Front** of this issue of *Animal Production Science* (APS) comprise selected papers presented at the 6th International Conference on Sustainable Animal Agriculture for Developing Countries (SAADC) held in Malang, Indonesia, 16–19 October 2017. The Research Front complements one aim of APS to disseminate research outcomes that support animal production systems in transition.

SAADC was established by a non-profit volunteer group of researchers and academics in 2007 with the primary objective of providing a platform for researchers, particularly from developing countries, to share their research findings and to network for the promotion of sustainable animal agriculture in developing countries and beyond.

A major activity of SAADC is its biennial conference held in different member countries. Participants, particularly young

researchers from developing countries, are encouraged to expand and improve their conference presentations to full research articles under the guidance of their senior peers in SAADC from different countries, for publication in reputable international journals. Result of such effort by SAADC has yielded progressive success over the years with nine articles published in this APS issue.

More importantly, through SAADC, researchers have the opportunity to collaborate, share ideas and value-add to the synergies among scientists from developing and developed countries in formulating and promoting sustainable animal agriculture strategies.

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