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### Pauline Mooney Joins Pork CRC Board

Pauline Mooney, Executive Director, South Australian Research and Development Institute (SARDI), has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the CRC for High Integrity Australian Pork (Pork CRC).

Affiliate Professor Mooney replaces Simon Maddocks on the Board, after Professor Maddocks resigned to accept a position as Vice Chancellor at Charles Darwin University in the Northern Territory.

The Pork CRC Board comprises Dennis Mutton (Chairman), Kathryn Adams, Sandra Di Blasio, Rod Hamann, Professor Pauline Mooney, Professor John Pluske, Kenton Shaw, Andrew Spencer, Chris Trengrove, Professor Robert van Barneveld and Dr Hugh Wirth.

The four research programs of the CRC for High Integrity Australian Pork are:

1. *Reduced confinement of sows and piglets*
2. *Herd health management*
3. *Healthy pork consumption*
4. *Carbon-conscious nutrient inputs and outputs*

Announcing the appointment, Pork CRC Chairman, Dennis Mutton, welcomed Professor Mooney and paid tribute to the contribution of Professor Maddocks.

“Simon not only represented SARDI, regarded as one of the Pork CRC’s most significant participants, but also contributed in his own right as a scientist and an administrator with substantial experience on the boards of CRC’s,” Mr Mutton said.

“Pauline brings similar outstanding scientific and management rigour to the Pork CRC Board and we look forward to her contributions as we move deep into our second term.”

Despite 29 years in science, business and financial leadership, including extensive experience in strategy planning, research and project management for primary industries research across terrestrial, marine, livestock and food sectors, Professor Mooney admits to never having worked directly in the pig or pork industry.

“Although the drivers and science behind the Pork CRC’s programs will be new to me, my research interests have always been eclectic, so the opportunities the industry has before it and the associated challenges certainly have sparked my interest,” she said.

“I look forward to working with Pork CRC’s Board of Directors, its highly motivated Executive management team, fellow participants and research providers to address such topical issues as animal welfare, pig health, meat quality and the environment.”

Professor Mooney has broad knowledge across a range of science programs and related research activities, including breeding superior plants and developing sustainable production systems through novel processing techniques, post-harvest handling and storage systems, evaluating consumer preferences and natural resource management.

She holds a PhD (University of Sydney), MSc cum laude (University of Natal), BSc Hons cum laude (University of Natal), BSc (University of Natal) and is an Affiliate Professor in the School of Agriculture Food and Wine at University of Adelaide.

Professor Mooney, a Graduate and Member of Australian Institute of Company Directors, has extensive governance and corporate leadership experience, including 11 years as director on a range of boards and as a member of a number of committees.

She is currently a Board Member of Australian Grain Technologies and Australian Seafood CRC and a Member and current Chair of the AW Howard Memorial Trust.

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