

Dairy Farmers of Scotland send message of support to European dairy farmers

As the German dairy farmers' milk strike spreads across Europe, Dairy Farmers of Scotland's acting chairman, Iain Smith, has sent a message of support to European dairy farmers.

"Milk producers in Scotland share the same feelings of frustration and desperation brought about by years of exploitation and the struggle and inability to negotiate a fair cost covering milk price.

The irony of the situation is that, whilst dairy farmers struggle to make ends meet, the rest of the dairy industry that results from them have been making substantial profits.

It makes sense that our farmers are profitable – it ensures that Europe's consumers can rely on continuity of a high standard food supply. For our milk producers to go out of business at a time of global shortages would be an act of folly."