

## Success Stories: Action Guide for Successful Milk Production in Cow Calf Contact Dairy Systems

Country	Germany				
Theme	Cow calf contact dairy husbandry - development of an action guide for successful milk production with cow calf contact dairy husbandry				
Summary	This project is a collaboration of researchers and practitioners investigating the benefits of cow- calf contact based systems on dairy farms. In particular, the areas of barn construction, animal health and economic efficiency are addressed.				
	Partners are the Thünen Institute of Organic Agriculture in Trenthorst, the Institute of Agricultural Process Engineering and the Institute of Agricultural Economics at Kiel University (CAU) as well as two dairy cattle consultants. They have developed "a guideline for successful milk production with cow-bound calf husbandry", drawn up to support interested farms in the introduction and implementation of cow-bound calf rearing.				
Origin	EU Funded: EIP-Agri Project				
Start Date	January 2022				
Target	Farmers				
Topics	Cow: calf contact farming				
Knowledge transfer	Action guide and website with additional checklists and materials				
Impact	Unknown				
Strengths	Visual appearance is attractive and engaging				
Link	https://www.kuhgebundene-kaelberaufzucht.de/				