

IFASA's publication SCIENTIFUR, is the contact link between fur animal researchers all over the world and serves as an outlet for scientific and other communication between researchers and others who are interested in the production of fur bearing animals. SCIENTIFUR is published quarterly. More than 500 titles of scientific reports are covered in about 300 pages each year.

An important function of the IFASA is to organize international co-operation in fur animal science and to coordinate and arrange international scientific meetings and congresses. Vth International Scientific Congress in Fur Animal Production held in Oslo in 1992 was the first one organized by IFASA.

### IFTF and EFBACC

IFTF (International Fur Trade Federation) was established in the 1950's to eliminate problems in international fur trade. Organizations representing both farmers and consumers belong to IFTF. A special ecological department (since 1983) of IFTF observes actions being taken in antifur propaganda, increases public knowledge and corrects the wrong information about fur industry.

EFBACC (European Fur Breeders Associations' Consultative Committee) is another form of co-operation among European fur farmers. This organization has an important role in watching for issues concerning fur farming in the European Council. Finland became a member of EFBACC in 1986.