



Resolutions adopted at the IAF 23rd General Assembly

18 and 20 October 2009

Westin Bayshore Hotel, Vancouver, Canada

IAF Resolution 2009-01 – (Agenda Item 2) **Acceptance of Apologies and Proxies** – The General Assembly received and accepted the list of apologies for non-attendance and accepted the notifications of proxies by members.

IAF Resolution 2009-02 – (Agenda Item 3) **Approval of the Agenda** – The General Assembly adopted the draft agenda (ref IAF GA 23_3 Rev 1).

IAF Resolution 2009-03 – (Agenda Item 4) **Minutes of the Twenty Second Meeting** - The General Assembly approved the draft Minutes as a true record of the Twenty Second Annual Meeting, held in Stockholm, Sweden, on 19 and 21 October, 2008 (ref IAF-AM-08-008 Rev) as amended.

IAF Resolution 2009-04 – (Agenda Item 5) **Report by the Chairman** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report of the Chairman as presented.

IAF Resolution 2009-05 – (Agenda Item 6.1) **Current Membership** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report by the Secretary on the current IAF membership as at October 2009 (ref IAF-AM-09-002 Rev1).

IAF Resolution 2009-06 – (Agenda Item 6.3) **New Members** - The General Assembly received the Secretary's report (ref IAF GA23_6) on the admission to Accreditation Body membership since the 2008 Annual Meeting, of the Costa Rica Accreditation Entity (ECA) and the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA), USA and the admission to Association membership of GLOBALGAP, the International Aerospace Quality Group (IAQG) and the European Organization for Quality (EOQ)

Note: A2LA (USA), GLOBALGAP, IAQG and the EOQ signed the IAF MoU at a ceremony during the IAF-ILAC Gala Dinner on 19 October 2009.

IAF Resolution 2009-07 – (Agenda Item 7) **Technical Committee** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report from the Chairman of the Technical Committee (ref IAF GA 23_7) and noted the Technical Committee Program.

IAF Resolution 2009-08 – (Agenda Item 8) **MLA Committee** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report from the Chairman of the MLA Committee (ref IAF GA 23_8) and noted the MLA Committee program.

IAF Resolution 2009-09 – (Agenda Item 8) **New IAF MLA Signatories** – The General Assembly noted the admission to the IAF MLA signatories, since the 2008 General Assembly, of Cgcre/INMETRO of Brazil for Product Certification and EGAC of Egypt for QMS as a consequence of IAF peer evaluation, and KAN of Indonesia (PAC) for Product

Certification, STANDARDS MALAYSIA of Malaysia (PAC) for Product Certification and RENAR of Romania (EA) for EMS as a consequence of PAC or EA MLA membership.

Note: Cgcre/INMETRO, Standards Malaysia and KAN signed the IAF MLA for Product, EGAC signed the IAF MLA for QMS, and RENAR signed the IAF MLA for EMS at a ceremony during the IAF-ILAC Gala Dinner on 19 October 2009.

IAF Resolution 2009-10 – (Agenda Item 8) **IAF MLA for Accreditation of ISMS** - The General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, resolved to extend the IAF MLA to cover the sub-scope for accreditation of Information Security Management System Certification Bodies, noting that

- the sub-scope will be a part of the main scope for Management Systems in accordance with ISO/IEC 17021 of the IAF MLA based on ISO/IEC 17011,
- the sub-scope for ISMS will be based on ISO 27001 as the requirements for certified organizations and ISO/IEC 27006 as the requirements for Certification Bodies in addition to ISO/IEC 17021, which will be added to IAF PR4, and
- the MLA Committee will develop a work plan for commencement of the MLA peer evaluations.

IAF Resolution 2009-11 – (Agenda Item 8) **IAF MLA for Accreditation of FSMS** - The General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, resolved to extend the IAF MLA to cover the sub-scope for accreditation of Food Safety Management System Certification Bodies, noting that

- the sub-scope will be a part of the main scope for Management Systems in accordance with ISO/IEC 17021 of the IAF MLA based on ISO/IEC 17011,
- the sub-scope for FSMS will be based on ISO 22000 as the requirements for certified organizations and ISO/TS 22003 as the requirements for Certification Bodies in addition to ISO/IEC 17021, which will be added to IAF PR4, and the Technical Committee will study the need for, and if found necessary, develop a specific IAF application document, and
- the MLA Committee will develop a work plan for commencement of the MLA peer evaluations upon the completion of the technical work by the Technical Committee.

IAF Resolution 2009-12 – (Agenda Item 11) **User Advisory Committee** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report (ref IAF GA23_11) from the Chair of the User Advisory Committee (UAC) as presented.

IAF Resolution 2009-13 – (Agenda Item 12.1) **Treasurer's Report on the Financial Operations of IAF in 2008** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report by the Treasurer on the Financial Affairs of IAF and the Report of the Financial Auditor on the Financial Operations of IAF, December 31, 2008 as presented.

IAF Resolution 2009-14 – (Agenda Item 12.2) **Financial Oversight Committee** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report of the Financial Oversight Committee (ref IAF GA23_12-2), as circulated and endorsed the recommendation that the 2008 financial accounts be accepted.

IAF Resolution 2009-15 – (Agenda Item 12.2) **Treasurer’s Report on the Financial Operations of IAF in 2009** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report by the Treasurer on the financial affairs of IAF for the period 1 January to 30 September 2009 as presented.

IAF Resolution 2009-16 – (Agenda Item 12.3) **IAF Budget for 2010** - The General Assembly, approved the IAF Budget for 2010 as submitted by the Treasurer and directed the Secretary to send invoices for membership fees for 2010 based upon the budget amount.

IAF Resolution 2009-17 – (Agenda Item 13) **Liaison Reports to IAF** – The General Assembly received with appreciation the liaison reports and presentations from ISO/TC 176 (ref IAF GA23_13-1), IAQG (ref IAF GA23_13-2), GFSI (ref IAF GA23_13-3) and GLOBALGAP.

IAF Resolution 2009-18 – (Agenda Item 14) **Election of Directors** - The General Assembly congratulated the following Directors on their election:

Mr Randy Dougherty (ANAB) elected unopposed as IAF Chairman, for a three year term ending at the 2012 General Assembly Meeting.

Mr Xiao Jianhua (CNAS) elected as Vice Chair for a three year term ending at the 2012 General Assembly Meeting.

Dr Thomas Facklam (DAR) elected as Director representing Accreditation Body Members located in a high income economy, as designated by the World Bank, for a three year term ending at the 2012 General Assembly Meeting.

Notes:

1. Dr Girdhar Gyani (NABCB) will complete his second term as Director representing Accreditation Body Members located in a low and medium income economy, as designated by the World Bank, at the 2010 General Assembly Meeting.
2. Mr Guenther Beer (BDI) will complete his second term as Director representing Industry and User Association Members, at the 2011 General Assembly Meeting.
3. Mr Roger Bennett (IIOC) will complete his first term as Director representing Conformity Assessment Body Association Members, at the 2011 General Assembly Meeting.

IAF Resolution 2009-19 – (Agenda Item 16) **Confirmation of the JGA 9 Resolutions** - The General Assembly confirmed the Resolutions adopted by IAF and ILAC at the 9th IAF-ILAC Joint General Assembly as listed in Annex 1 to this document.

IAF Resolution 2009-20 – (Agenda Item 17) **2009 Annual Meetings** – The General Assembly expressed its appreciation for the generous hospitality and excellent arrangements provided by CALA (Canadian Association for Laboratory Accreditation Inc.) as the host of the IAF Twenty Third Annual Meetings, held in October 2009, in Vancouver, Canada.

IAF Resolution 2009-21 – (Agenda Item 17.1) **Invitation for the 2010 Annual Meetings** - The General Assembly accepted with appreciation the invitation by CNAS (China National Accreditation Service for Conformity Assessment) to host the 2010 Annual Meetings in Shanghai, China, from 20 to 29 October 2010, in association with the ILAC General Assembly.

IAF Resolution 2009-22 – (Agenda Item 17.2) **Invitation for the 2011 Annual Meetings** - The General Assembly accepted with appreciation the invitation by NAC to host the 2011 Annual Meetings in Bangkok, Thailand, from 2 to 11 November 2011, in association with the ILAC General Assembly.

IAF Resolution 2009-23 – (Agenda Item 17.3) **Invitation for the 2012 Annual Meetings** - The General Assembly accepted with appreciation the invitation by Cgcre/INMETRO to host the 2012 Annual Meetings in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in association with the ILAC General Assembly.

End of resolutions adopted at IAF 23. General Assembly.

**INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION FORUM****&****INTERNATIONAL LABORATORY ACCREDITATION COOPERATION****Annex 1****Adopted Resolutions for IAF and ILAC at the 9th IAF-ILAC Joint General Assembly****19 October 2009, Vancouver, Canada*****JGA Vancouver Resolution 1 - IEC***

The Joint General Assembly agrees that the wording provided by IEC (refer to notes 1 and 2) conforms with the intent of Joint General Assembly Sydney Resolution 7. The Joint General Assembly supports the preparation of a joint communiqué by the ILAC and IAF Executives publicising this resolution.

Note 1: For IECEE System: Certificate of Approval of a Manufacturer's Testing Laboratory

The above Manufacturer's Testing Laboratory facilities and staff have been assessed in accordance with the IECEE Peer Assessment Programme and found to comply with the requirements of the latest Editions of the Basic Rules IECEE 01, Rules of Procedure IECEE 02 and the applicable requirements of ISO/IEC 17025 for the testing of electrotechnical equipment and components under the IECEE System, as specified in the IECEE Operational Documents.

Note 2: For IECQ System: Certificate of Approval of an Independent Testing Laboratory

The organization, facilities and procedures of the Laboratory have been assessed and found to comply with all the relevant requirements for Independent Testing Laboratory organization approval, in support of the IECQ system, which is in accordance with the Basic Rules IECQ 01 and Rules of Procedure QC 001002-3 clause 2.4 of the IEC Quality Assessment System for Electronic Components (IECQ) and with the applicable requirements of ISO/IEC 17025 for the testing of electronic components under the IECQ System, as specified in the IECQ Operational Documents.

JGA Vancouver Resolution 2 - IEC

The Joint General Assembly notes with appreciation the presentation detailing the process and mechanisms of the new model of assessment collaboration between ILAC, IEC and IAF and agrees to commence implementation in 2010 as appropriate. The Joint General Assembly supports the preparation of a joint communiqué by ILAC, IAF and IEC, describing the proposed processes associated with the new model for distribution to the members.

JGA Vancouver Resolution 3 - IEC

The Joint General Assembly agrees with the formation of a single IAF/ILAC/IEC CAB steering committee

in support of improved cooperation and agrees to disband the current IAF/ILAC/IEC Technical Panels.

JGA Vancouver Resolution 4 - IEC

The Joint General Assembly supports the development of a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IAF, ILAC and IEC, which will replace the existing MoUs between ILAC and IEC and between IAF and IEC. The Joint General Assembly gives a mandate to the ILAC and IAF Executive Committees to develop the text of the MoU with IEC.

JGA Vancouver Resolution 5 - JCCC

The Joint General Assembly endorses the recommendations from the ILAC Executive Committee and the IAF Executive Committee for the Joint Committee for Closer Cooperation to be disbanded and replaced with joint sessions of the ILAC Executive Committee and IAF Executive Committee.

JGA Vancouver Resolution 6 – Future Direction of IAF and ILAC

The Joint General Assembly agrees that a ballot be conducted by the ILAC and IAF Secretaries to determine which of the options on the future structure of IAF and ILAC, as presented by the Future Directions Task Force at the Ninth Joint General Assembly, will be implemented.

JGA Vancouver Resolution 7 - Reports from IAF and ILAC Regional Groups

The Joint General Assembly received with appreciation the reports provided by APLAC, EA, IAAC, PAC and SADCA.

JGA Vancouver Resolution 8 - Reports from International Organisations

The Joint General Assembly received with appreciation the presentations and reports from the following international organizations:

- International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
- International Organisation for Standardization (ISO) and ISO/CASCO
- International Organisation for Legal Metrology (OIML)
- United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)

End of resolutions.