

**Resolutions adopted at the IAF 26th General Assembly****24 and 26 October 2012****Windsor Barra Hotel, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil**

IAF Resolution 2012-01 – (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 2012-02 – (Agenda Item 3) **Approval of the Agenda** – The General Assembly adopted the draft agenda (ref IAF GA 26_3).

IAF Resolution 2012-03 – (Agenda Item 4) **Minutes of the Twenty Fourth Meeting** - The General Assembly approved the draft Minutes as a true record of the Twenty Fourth Annual Meeting, held in Shanghai, China, on 27 and 29 October, 2010 (ref IAF-AM-10-007 Oct10 Rev).

IAF Resolution 2012-04 – (Agenda Item 5) **Report by the Chairman** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report from the Chairman as presented.

IAF Resolution 2012-05 – (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 2012 (ref IAF-AM-12-002).

IAF Resolution 2012-06 – (Agenda Item 6.3) **Membership Changes** - The General Assembly received the Secretary's report (ref IAF GA26_6.3) on the admission to Accreditation Body membership since the 2010 Annual Meeting, of the Organisation of Ecuadorian Accreditation (OAE), the Uruguayan Accreditation Organization (OUA), International Accreditation Japan (IAJapan), and the Accreditation Body of Serbia (ATS). The General Assembly noted the renewal of Observer Membership of the International Council of Management Consulting Institutes (ICMCI) and the Libyan Centre for Standardization and Metrology (LNCSM) up to the end of 2012.

IAF Resolution 2012-07 – (Agenda Item 7) **Technical Committee** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report (ref IAF GA26_7) from the Chairman of the Technical Committee and noted the Technical Committee Program.

IAF Resolution 2012-08 – (Agenda Item 7.3) **Transition Period for ISO/IEC 27006** - The General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the Technical Committee, resolved that the period for the transition of Information Security Management System Accreditation to ISO/IEC 27006: 2011 from ISO/IEC 27006: 2007 be 18 months from the date of publication.

Note: The date of publication was 1 December 2011.

IAF Resolution 2012-09 – (Agenda Item 7) **Transition Period for ISO/IEC 17065** -

The General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the Technical Committee, resolved that the transition period for ISO/IEC17065:2012 be three years from the date of publication.

Note: The date of publication was 15 September 2012.

IAF Resolution 2012-10 – (Agenda Item 7) Transition Period for ISO/IEC 17024 -

The General Assembly resolved that the transition period for ISO/IEC17024: 2012 be three years from the date of publication.

Notes: The date of publication was 1 July 2012.

(Resolution 2012-10 was approved on 24 October 2012 with 4 abstentions and 5 negative votes)

IAF Resolution 2012-11 – (Agenda Item 7) General Transition Period for ISO/CASCO Publications - The General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the Technical Committee, resolved that the transition for the implementation of all relevant newly published ISO/CASCO conformity assessment standards shall be two years from the date of publication, unless overridden by the need to produce a specific application document as agreed by the IAF Technical Committee.

IAF Resolution 2012-12 – (Agenda Item 7) Endorsing a normative document

The General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the Technical Committee, resolved to endorse ISO/IEC TS 17021-2 as a normative document to be applied in conjunction with ISO/IEC 17021 for EMS. The deadline for conformance to ISO/IEC TS 17021-2 shall be the default two years from the date of publication.

Note: As the publication date was 15 August 2012, the deadline for Certification Bodies to conform is 15 August 2014.

IAF Resolution 2012-13 – (Agenda Item 12.1) Treasurer’s Report on the Financial Operations of IAF in 2011 - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report on the Financial Affairs of IAF and the Report of the Financial Auditor on the Financial Operations of IAF, December 31, 2011 as presented.

IAF Resolution 2012-14 – (Agenda Item 12.2) Financial Oversight Committee - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report of the Financial Oversight Committee (ref IAF GA26_12-2), as circulated and endorsed the recommendation that the 2011 financial accounts be accepted.

IAF Resolution 2012-15 – (Agenda Item 12.2) Treasurer’s Report on the Financial Operations of IAF in 2012 - 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 2012 as presented.

IAF Resolution 2012-16 – (Agenda Item 12.4) IAF Budget for 2013 - The General Assembly approved the IAF Budget for 2013, as submitted by the Treasurer.

IAF Resolution 2012-17 – (Agenda Item 8) **MLA Committee** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report from the Chairman of the MLA Committee (ref IAF GA 26_8) and noted the MLA Committee program.

IAF Resolution 2012-18 – (Agenda Item 8) **New IAF MLA Signatories** – The General Assembly noted the MLA scope extension of the Inter American Accreditation Cooperation (IAAC) to include main scope ISO/IEC Guide 65 and Sub-scope ISO 14001 (May 2011). The General Assembly also noted the admissions to the IAF MLA and MLA scope extensions, since the 2010 General Assembly, of the following IAF Members:

- ECA Costa Rica (IAAC) – Main scope ISO/IEC Guide 65 and ISO/IEC 17021; Sub-scope ISO 9001;
- A2LA USA (IAAC) - Main scope ISO/IEC Guide 65;
- IAS USA (PAC) - Main scope ISO/IEC Guide 65;
- HKAS Hong Kong, China (PAC) - Main Scope ISO/IEC Guide 65 and ISO/IEC 17021; Sub-scope ISO 14001;
- OLAS Luxembourg (EA) - Main Scope ISO/IEC Guide 65 and ISO/IEC 17021; Sub-Scope ISO 9001 & ISO 14001;
- OUA Uruguay (IAAC) - Main Scope ISO/IEC 17021; Sub-Scope ISO 9001 & ISO 14001;
- OAE Ecuador (IAAC) – Main scope ISO/IEC Guide 65 and ISO/IEC 17021; Sub-scope ISO 9001; and
- ATS Serbia (EA) - Main scope ISO/IEC Guide 65.

IAF Resolution 2012-19 – (Agenda Item 13) The General Assembly congratulated the following Directors on their election to the IAF Board:

- Mr Randy Dougherty (ANAB) elected unopposed as IAF Chairman, for a three year second term ending at the 2015 General Assembly Meeting;

- Mr Xiao Jianhua (CNAS) elected as Vice Chair for a three year second term ending at the 2015 General Assembly Meeting;

- Dr Thomas Facklam (DAkKS) elected unopposed as Director representing Accreditation Body Members located in a high income economy, as designated by the World Bank, for a three year second term ending at the 2015 General Assembly Meeting;

- Mr Martin Stadler (BDI) elected as Director representing Industry and User Association Members for a three year first term ending at the 2015 General Assembly Meeting

Notes:

1. Mr Ekanit Romyanon (NSC) will complete his first term as Director

representing Accreditation Body Members located in a low and medium income economy, as designated by the World Bank, at the 2013 General Assembly Meeting.

2. Mr Roger Bennett (IIOC) will complete his second term as Director representing Conformity Assessment Body Association Members, at the 2014 General Assembly Meeting.

3. The Director representing Industry and User Association Members is automatically the Chair of the User Advisory Committee (UAC) as per IAF PL5.

IAF Resolution 2012-20 – (Agenda Item 14) **Election of Committee Chairs** - The General Assembly congratulated the following members elected as IAF Committee Chairs for three year terms ending at the 2015 General Assembly Meeting:

- Mr Ekanit Romyanon (NSC) elected as IAF Technical Committee Chairman;
- Mr Steve Keeling (JAS-ANZ) elected unopposed as IAF MLA Committee Chairman;
- Mr Jon Murthy (UKAS) elected unopposed as IAF Communications and Marketing Committee Chairman;
- Mr Martin Stadler (BDI) elected as IAF User Advisory Committee Chairman;

Note: Mr Balakrishnan Venkataraman (NABCB) will complete his second term as IAF Development Support Committee Chairman at the 2013 General Assembly Meeting.

IAF Resolution 2012-21 – (Agenda Item 15) **Terms of Reference and Membership of the Financial Oversight Committee** - The General Assembly agreed to appoint Mr. Marcos Aurélio Lima de Oliveira (Cgcre) and Mr. Eric Janssens (EOQ) to be members of the Financial Oversight Committee for the complete years of 2013 and 2014, and confirmed the nomination of Mr. de Oliveira as the Chair of the Financial Oversight Committee.

Note: Ms Leena Tikkanen (FINAS) will complete her term as a member of the FOC at the end of 2013.

IAF Resolution 2012-22 – (Agenda Item 16) – **Value of Accredited Certification** - The General Assembly expressed its appreciation to Dr Axel Mangelsdorf of BAM (Germany) for his presentation on Exploring Business Benefits of Internationally Recognised Certification.

IAF Resolution 2012-23 – (Agenda Item 17) **Confirmation of the JGA 12 Resolutions** - The General Assembly confirmed the Resolutions adopted by IAF and ILAC at the 12th IAF-ILAC Joint General Assembly as listed in Annex 1 to this document.

IAF Resolution 2012-24 – (Agenda Item 16) **2012 Annual Meetings** – The General Assembly expressed its appreciation for the warm and gracious hospitality and excellent meeting facilities provided by CGCRE (General Coordination for Accreditation) as the host of the IAF Twenty Sixth Annual Meetings, held in October 2012, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The General Assembly particularly thanked CGCRE for providing delegates with an insight to the vibrant life style that Rio de Janeiro residents experience.

End of resolutions adopted at IAF 26. General Assembly.

**INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION FORUM****&****INTERNATIONAL LABORATORY ACCREDITATION COOPERATION****Annex 1****Adopted Resolutions for IAF and ILAC at the 12th IAF-ILAC Joint General Assembly****25 October 2012, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*****JGA Rio de Janeiro Resolution 1 – Reports from External Organisations***

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

- International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
- International Organisation for Standardization (ISO)
- International Organisation for Legal Metrology (OIML)
- United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
- International Telecommunications Union (ITU)
- World Trade Organisation (WTO)
- U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

JGA Rio de Janeiro Resolution 2 – IEC-ILAC-IAF MoU

The Joint General Assembly welcomed the signing of a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IEC, ILAC and IAF, as a replacement for the existing MoU between IEC, ILAC and IAF.

JGA Rio de Janeiro Resolution 3 – ILAC-IAF Agreement for Closer Cooperation

The Joint General Assembly welcomed the signing of the Agreement for Closer Cooperation between ILAC and IAF, as a replacement for the existing agreement.

JGA Rio de Janeiro Resolution 4 – JWG A-series Terms of Reference

The Joint General Assembly endorses the revised Terms of Reference for the JWG A-series. This amendment was to remove reference to “identifying” training needs.

JGA Rio de Janeiro Resolution 5 – IAF/ILAC A2

The Joint General Assembly agrees that when the next revision of IAF/ILAC A3 is published to include the evaluation report on a single accreditation body, IAF/ILAC A2-07/2010 will be re-issued with this information removed (that is the current Annex 5 of IAF/ILAC A2-07/2010). The necessary corrections to the annex numbers throughout the text of A2 will also be addressed.

JGA Rio de Janeiro Resolution 6 – Reports from IAF and ILAC Regional Groups

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

JGA Rio de Janeiro Resolution 7 – Invitation for the 2014 Annual Meetings

The Joint General Assembly accepted with appreciation the invitation by the National Standardization Council (NSC) to host the 2014 IAF-ILAC Annual Meetings in Bangkok, Thailand.

End of resolutions.