



Resolutions adopted at the IAF 22nd General Assembly

19 and 21 October 2008

Clarion Hotel, Stockholm, Sweden

IAF Resolution 2008-01 – (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 2008-02 – (Agenda Item 3) **Approval of the Agenda** – The General Assembly adopted the draft agenda (ref IAF GA 22_3 Rev 3).

IAF Resolution 2008-03 – (Agenda Item 4) **Minutes of the Twenty First Meeting** - The General Assembly approved the draft Minutes as a true record of the Twenty First Annual Meeting, held in Sydney, Australia, on 27 and 29 October, 2007 (ref IAF-AM-08-001) as amended.

IAF Resolution 2008-04 – (Agenda Item 5) **Report by the Chairman** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report of the Chairman as presented.

IAF Resolution 2008-05 – (Agenda Item 6.1) **Current Membership** - The General Assembly received the report by the Secretary on the current IAF membership as at October 2008 (ref IAF-AM-08-002 Rev1).

IAF Resolution 2008-06 – (Agenda Item 6.3) **New Members** - The General Assembly received the Secretary's report (ref IAF GA22-6) on the admission to Accreditation Body membership since the 2007 Annual Meeting of the Directorate of Accreditation (DA) Albania, the National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Protection of Intellectual Property - Technical and Commercial Regulations Commission of Peru (INDECOPI-CRT), the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) USA, and the Bureau of Accreditation (BoA) Vietnam.

Note: DA (Albania), ANSI (USA) and BoA (Vietnam) signed the IAF MoU at a ceremony during the IAF-ILAC Gala Dinner on 20 October 2008.

IAF Resolution 2008-07 – (Agenda Item 7) **Technical Committee** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report from the Chairman of the Technical Committee (ref IAF GA 22-7) and noted the Technical Committee Program.

IAF Resolution 2008-08 – (Agenda Item 8) **MLA Committee** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report from the Chairman of the MLA Committee (ref IAF GA 22-8) and noted the MLA Committee program.

IAF Resolution 2008-09 – (Agenda Item 8) **New IAF MLA Signatories** – The General Assembly noted that CNAS (China, PAC) and ANSI (USA, PAC) have been accepted for membership in the IAF MLA for Product, BoA (Vietnam, PAC) has been accepted for

membership in the IAF MLA for QMS and TURKAK (Turkey, EA) has been accepted for membership in the IAF MLA for EMS and Product, as a consequence of PAC or EA MLA membership.

Note: CNAS and ANSI signed the IAF MLA for Product, BoA signed the IAF MLA for QMS, and TURKAK signed the IAF MLA for EMS and Product at a ceremony during the IAF-ILAC Gala Dinner on 20 October 2008.

IAF Resolution 2008-10 – (Agenda Item 11) **User Advisory Committee** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report (ref IAF GA 22-11) from the Chair of the User Advisory Committee (UAC) as presented.

IAF Resolution 2008-11 – (Agenda Item 12.1) **Treasurer's Report on the Financial Operations of IAF in 2007** - 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, 2007 as circulated and presented.

IAF Resolution 2008-12 – (Agenda Item 12.2) **Financial Oversight Committee** - The General Assembly received with appreciation the report of the Financial Oversight Committee (ref IAF 22-12-2), as circulated and endorsed the recommendation that the 2007 financial accounts be accepted.

IAF Resolution 2008-13 – (Agenda Item 12.2) **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 for the period 1 January to 31 August 2008 as presented.

IAF Resolution 2008-14 – (Agenda Item 12.3) **IAF Budget for 2009** - The General Assembly, approved the IAF Budget for 2009 as submitted by the Treasurer and directed the Secretary to send invoices for membership fees for 2009 based upon the budget amount.

IAF Resolution 2008-15 – (Agenda Item 13.3) **Liaison Report to IAF** – The General Assembly received with appreciation the GLOBALGAP Report (ref IAF GA 22-13-3) as presented.

IAF Resolution 2008-16 – (Agenda Item 14) **Election of Directors** - The General Assembly congratulated the following Directors on their election:

Ms Elva Nilsen (SCC) elected on an interim basis as Vice Chair for a one year term ending at the 2009 General Assembly Meeting.

Mr Guenther Beer (BDI) elected unopposed as Director representing Industry and User Association Members, for a three year term ending at the 2011 General Assembly Meeting.

Mr Roger Bennett (IIOC) elected as Director representing Conformity Assessment Body Association Members, for a three year term ending at the 2011 General Assembly Meeting.

Notes:

1. Dr Thomas Facklam (DAR) will complete his second term as IAF Chairman at the 2009 General Assembly Meeting.
2. Dr Lorenzo Thione (SINCERT) will complete his first term as Director representing Accreditation Body Members located in a high income economy, as designated by the World Bank, at the 2009 General Assembly Meeting.
3. Mr 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.

IAF Resolution 2008-17 – (Agenda Item 16) **Confirmation of the JGA 6 Resolutions** - The General Assembly confirmed the Resolutions adopted by IAF and ILAC at the 6th IAF-ILAC Joint General Assembly as listed in Annex 1 to this document.

IAF Resolution 2008-18 – (Agenda Item 16) **Confirmation of the JGA 7 Resolutions** - The General Assembly confirmed the Resolutions adopted by IAF and ILAC at the 7th IAF-ILAC Joint General Assembly as listed in Annex 2 to this document.

IAF Resolution 2008-19 – (Agenda Item 16) **Confirmation of the JGA 8 Resolutions** - The General Assembly confirmed the Resolutions adopted by IAF and ILAC at the 8th IAF-ILAC Joint General Assembly as listed in Annex 3 to this document.

IAF Resolution 2008-20 – (Agenda Item 17) **2008 Annual Meetings** – The General Assembly expressed its appreciation for the generous hospitality and excellent arrangements provided by SWEDAC as the host of the IAF Twenty Second Annual Meetings, held in October 2008, in Stockholm, Sweden.

IAF Resolution 2008-21 – (Agenda Item 17.1) **Invitation for the 2009 Annual Meetings** - The General Assembly accepted with appreciation the invitation by CALA (Canadian Association for Laboratory Accreditation Inc.) to host the 2009 Annual Meetings in Vancouver, Canada, from 9 to 21 October, 2009 in association with the ILAC General Assembly.

IAF Resolution 2008-22 – (Agenda Item 17.2) **Invitation for the 2010 Annual Meetings** - The General Assembly accepted with appreciation the invitation by CNAS to host the 2010 Annual Meetings in Shanghai, China, in association with the ILAC General Assembly.

IAF Resolution 2008-23 – (Agenda Item 17.3) **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, in association with the ILAC General Assembly.

End of resolutions adopted at IAF 22. General Assembly.



Annex 1

Resolutions adopted by IAF at the 6th IAF-ILAC Joint General Assemblies

13 November 2006, Cancun, Mexico

JGA Mexico Resolution 1

Joint IAF MLA MC and ILAC AMC (JMC):

The General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the (JMC), and the JCCC, endorsed the draft Terms of Reference of Joint MLA MC and ILAC AMC meetings (JMC).

JGA Mexico Resolution 2

Inspection MLMRA Peer Evaluations :

The General Assembly, noting that the technical requirements for the Inspection MLMRA have been agreed by the JWGI, and acting on the recommendation of the JMC, and the JCCC, resolved to commence the Inspection MLMRA peer evaluations, as soon as the guidance on ISO/IEC 17011 has been approved by ILAC and IAF.

JGA Mexico Resolution 3

Joint Working Group Inspection Resolution:

The General Assembly resolves to approve a permanent joint ILAC/IAF structure for implementation and continual improvement of accreditation practices of ILAC and IAF members in inspection body accreditation.

**ANNEX 2****INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION FORUM****&****INTERNATIONAL LABORATORY ACCREDITATION COOPERATION****Resolutions adopted by IAF and ILAC at the 7th IAF-ILAC Joint General Assembly****28 October 2007, Sydney, Australia****JGA Sydney Resolution 1 – Presentations from International Organizations:**

The IAF and ILAC Joint General Assembly received with appreciation the presentations and reports provided by ISO, ICSCA, IEC/CAB, UNIDO, OIML and UNFCCC.

JGA Sydney Resolution 2 – Reports from Joint Working Groups:

The IAF and ILAC Joint General Assembly received with appreciation the presentations and reports provided by the IAF/ILAC Joint Working Groups.

JGA Sydney Resolution 3 - Draft Terms of Reference for the ILAC/IAF Joint Inspection Group (JIG):

The IAF and ILAC Joint General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the JCCC, endorses the draft Terms of Reference of the Joint Inspection Group (JIG).

JGA Sydney Resolution 4 – Crime Scene Investigation Document:

The IAF and ILAC Joint General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the JCCC, endorses a new work item to be undertaken by the Joint Inspection Group (JIG) to draft a single top level document that approaches the forensic process as a whole and provides

common guidance for both ISO/IEC 17020 and ISO/IEC 17025 in areas where the activities overlap. The guidance will be based on the guidance document to ISO/IEC 17020 for Crime Scene Investigation, already prepared by EA and ENFSI, and on ILAC G19 for forensic laboratories.

JGA Sydney Resolution 5 - Joint Working Group on Communications:

The IAF and ILAC Joint General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the JCCC, endorses the draft Terms of Reference of the Joint Working Group on Communications.

JGA Sydney Resolution 6 - International Accreditation Day:

The IAF and ILAC Joint General Assembly endorses the proposal presented by the JWG Communications to establish June 9th as the annual International Accreditation Day.

JGA Sydney Resolution 7 – Certification to accreditation standards:

The IAF and ILAC Joint General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the JCCC, resolves that when a Conformity Assessment Body (CAB), accredited by an Accreditation Body (AB), is providing certification to any standard used as a basis for accrediting CABs (e.g. ISO/IEC 17025 or ISO 15189), the AB shall initiate its process for suspension of accreditation, as this behaviour of the CAB will put the AB, against its will, in the condition of providing the same service that a CAB performs, in violation of clause 4.3.6 of ISO/IEC 17011. Further decisions shall be based on the actions taken by the CAB.

All IAF and ILAC AB members shall include a suitable provision on such a possibility in their contracts with CABs.

Note: It is accepted that a CAB may have to assess subcontractors to confirm that they meet the CABs' requirements, which may include accreditation standards e.g. ISO/IEC 17025. Documentation issued to subcontractors as a result of a successful assessment should clearly state that this is only for the purposes of the subcontract and is not certification or accreditation in accordance with ISO/IEC 17011.

JGA Sydney Resolution 8 – Reports from IAF/ILAC Regional Groups:

The IAF and ILAC Joint General Assembly received with appreciation the presentations and reports provided by APLAC, EA, IAAC, PAC, SADCA and CAC-MAS-Q.

End of resolutions adopted at the 7th IAF and ILAC Joint General Assembly.

**ANNEX 3****INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION FORUM****&****INTERNATIONAL LABORATORY ACCREDITATION COOPERATION****Resolutions adopted by IAF and ILAC at the 8th IAF-ILAC Joint General Assembly****20 October 2008, Stockholm, Sweden*****JGA Stockholm Resolution 1 – Adoption of Resolutions***

The IAF and ILAC Joint General Assembly reaffirm the *JGA Sydney Resolution 7 – Certification to accreditation standards* and confirm that, unless otherwise specified, resolutions adopted in session are valid from the date of endorsement as shown on the resolution document.

JGA Stockholm Resolution 2 – Revision of IAF/ILAC A3

The IAF and ILAC Joint General Assembly agree to revise *IAF/ILAC A3:05/2007 IAF/ILAC MRAs: Key Performance Indicators – A Tool for the Evaluation Process* to remove the KPIs and create a self-assessment report based on the clauses of ISO/IEC 17011.

JGA Stockholm Resolution 3 – Reports from IAF and ILAC Regional Groups

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

JGA Stockholm Resolution 4 – Reports from International Organisations

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

- European Commission (EC)
- International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
- International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO) and ISO/CASCO
- International Organisation for Legal Metrology (OIML)
- Industry Cooperation for Standards and Conformity Assessment (ICSCA)
- United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)

End of resolutions adopted at the 8th IAF and ILAC Joint General Assembly.