



## **ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS OF THE ELEVENTH ILAC GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA**

**28 & 30 OCTOBER 2007**

### ***ILAC Resolution GA 11.01***

The General Assembly accepts the Minutes of its tenth meeting, held on 13 & 15 November 2006 in Cancun, as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

### ***ILAC Resolution GA 11.02***

The General Assembly confirms the results of the electronic ballots to accept the following organisations as Associates:

- Ente Costarricense De Acreditacion (ECA), Costa Rica
- Voluntary EMC Laboratory Accreditation Center INC. (VLAC), Japan
- Drejtoria e Akreditimit (DA), Albania
- Cyprus Organisation for the Promotion of Quality (CYS) – Accreditation Body (CYSAB)
- National Centre of Accreditation (NCA), Kazakhstan
- Mongolian Agency for Standardization and Metrology (MASM), Mongolia
- Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment (SLAB), Sri Lanka
- Laboratory Accreditation Bureau (L-A-B), United States of America

### ***ILAC Resolution GA 11.03***

The General Assembly welcomes the following new signatories to the ILAC Arrangement:

- Ente Costarricense De Acreditacion (ECA), Costa Rica for testing
- Voluntary EMC Laboratory Accreditation Center INC. (VLAC), Japan for testing

### ***ILAC Resolution GA 11.04***

The General Assembly ratifies the Executive Committee decision to admit the following organisations as Affiliates:

- Jamaica National Agency for Accreditation (JANAAC), Jamaica
- International Accreditation Registry, Inc (IAR), United States of America

### ***ILAC Resolution GA 11.05***

The General Assembly ratifies the Executive Committee decision to admit the following organisations as Stakeholders:

- Association of Independent Test Laboratories and Certification Bodies (ALPI), Italy
- The Association of Practising Pathologists (APP), India

### ***ILAC Resolution GA 11.06***

The General Assembly accepts the report of the Finance and Audit Committee.

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.07***

The General Assembly endorses the Executive Committee recommendation to appoint Jan van der Poel as Chairman of the Finance and Audit Committee. He was previously appointed to this Committee as per ILAC Resolution GA 10.19.

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.08***

The General Assembly accepts the audited financial accounts for 2006.

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.09***

The General Assembly notes the financial report for the period 1 January 2007 to 31 August 2007.

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.10***

The General Assembly approves the 2008 Budget, as submitted by the ILAC Treasurer.

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.11***

The General Assembly endorses the decision of the ILAC Executive Committee to appoint Alan Patterson as the ILAC Treasurer and thanks Tony Russell for his past contribution in this role.

***Executive Committee***

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.12***

The General Assembly approves the continuation of the provision of the ILAC Secretariat by NATA, Australia for a four year period beginning 1 January 2008. This resolution replaces GA 10.12 “The General Assembly approves the continuation of the provision of the ILAC Secretariat by NATA, Australia for a further two year period”.

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.13***

The General Assembly notes the appointment by the Executive Committee of Wei Hao from CNAS as ILAC Co-convenor for the Joint Inspection Group and thanks Llew Richards for his past contributions in this role.

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.14***

The General Assembly notes the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding between ILAC, International Organisation for Legal Metrology (OIML) and IAF in Sydney on 28 October 2007.

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.15 & Attachment***

The General Assembly confirms the results of the electronic ballots, as listed in the attachment to this document, undertaken by ILAC since the 10<sup>th</sup> General Assembly in 2006.

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.16***

The General Assembly endorses ILAC signing the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) on 14 November 2007 in Madrid.

***Arrangement Committee***

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.17***

The General Assembly resolves to withdraw ILAC G23:2004 *ILAC Evaluator Training Course*, as its content is out of date and has been supplemented by other training materials.

### ***ILAC Resolution GA11.18***

The General Assembly approves the withdrawal of ILAC P series document *ILAC Mutual Recognition Arrangement (Arrangement): Terms of Reference and Composition of the Arrangement Management Committee* upon publication of the revised Bylaws as they will cover the Committee composition. The Terms of Reference have already been transferred to the ILAC website.

### ***ILAC Resolution GA11.19***

The General Assembly, noting the successful ballot completed on 21 September 2007 for the transition period for ISO 15189:2007, and listed in GA 11.15, agrees that:

- By 30 April 2009, all references to ISO 15189 in accreditation certificates, as defined and described in ISO/IEC 17011, shall refer to the 2007 edition of ISO 15189. Such accreditation certificates shall be issued after proper assessment of additional or amended clauses of the International Standard. Compliance can be determined during normal surveillance or reassessment activities or as a separate activity;
- At the end of the transition period, accreditation of a laboratory to a previous version of ISO 15189 will no longer be considered valid nor covered under the ILAC Arrangement.

### ***Accreditation Committee***

#### ***ILAC Resolution GA 11.20***

The ILAC General Assembly accepts the ILAC/BIPM joint paper on Calibration & Measurement Capabilities (CMC) as a significant step forward in the coordination of this concept between ILAC and BIPM.

ILAC will take this joint paper into account when preparing future documents on measurement uncertainty, in collaboration with the BIPM.

### ***Proficiency Testing Consultative Group***

#### ***ILAC Resolution GA 11.21***

The ILAC General Assembly, taking into account the PTCG analysis of compliance with steps a) to e) of ILAC-S6, agrees to proceed with an expansion of the scope of the ILAC MRA to include accredited PT scheme providers.

The ILAC General Assembly also notes that to complete step (f) of ILAC-S6, the PTCG will undertake a clause by clause analysis of ISO/IEC 17011, IAF/ILAC-A1 and IAF/ILAC-A2 on behalf of the Arrangement Committee to determine if any amendments or additions to these documents are required for implementation under an extension of the ILAC MRA.

### ***General***

#### ***ILAC Resolution GA 11.22***

The General Assembly notes with appreciation the reports from, and the close cooperation with, the following international organizations:

- Bureau International des Poids et Mesures (BIPM)
- World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)
- 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)

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.23***

The General Assembly expresses its appreciation for the excellent arrangements and support services provided by NATA and JAS-ANZ as joint hosts for the Eleventh ILAC General Assembly and associated meetings, 19 to 31 October 2007, in Sydney, Australia.

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.24***

The General Assembly accepts with appreciation the invitation by CNAS, to host the 2010 Annual ILAC/IAF meetings in the People's Republic of China.

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.25***

The General Assembly accepts with appreciation the invitation by The National Accreditation Council of Thailand (NAC), to host the 2011 Annual ILAC/IAF meetings in Thailand.

***ILAC Resolution GA 11.15 Attachment***

***ILAC ELECTRONIC BALLOTS 16 November 2006 – 30 October 2007***

BALLOT	TYPE	CLOSING DATE	RESULTS
ISO 15189 Transition	Vote	21 Sept 07	<b>75%</b> Responded <b>96%</b> Yes
ILAC S5:09/2007	Vote	16 July 07	<b>60%</b> Responded <b>100%</b> Yes
ILAC P1:2007 and ILAC P3:2007	Vote	11 June 07	<b>P1 – 78%</b> Responded <b>98%</b> Yes
			<b>P3 – 77%</b> Responded <b>98%</b> Yes
ILAC S6:10/2007	Vote	30 March 07	<b>68%</b> Responded <b>97%</b> Yes
ILAC G13:2007	Vote	30 March 07	<b>73%</b> Responded <b>100%</b> Yes
IAF/ILAC – A1, A2 and A3:2006	Vote	12 March 07	<b>A1– 67%</b> Responded <b>100%</b> Yes
			<b>A2 – 67%</b> Responded <b>95%</b> Yes
			<b>A3 – 67%</b> Responded <b>97%</b> Yes
ILAC-S4:2006	Vote	16 Feb 2007	<b>58%</b> Responded <b>100%</b> Yes
ILAC-P5:2007	Vote	27 Nov 06	<b>66%</b> Responded <b>94%</b> Yes



## INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION FORUM

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## INTERNATIONAL LABORATORY ACCREDITATION COOPERATION

**Resolutions adopted by IAF and ILAC at the 7<sup>th</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup> 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.