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Note to CIML Members and OIML Corresponding Members

Subject: Validation of technical and metrological experts

Dear Colleagues,

Further to the signature of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between ILAC and the OIML, it has been suggested to extend the number of technical and metrological experts who would be able to participate in the accreditation assessments when legal metrology enters into the scope of the accreditation.

According to OIML B 10-1 Framework for a Mutual Acceptance Arrangement on OIML Type Evaluations, for measuring instruments which are covered by a Declaration of Mutual Confidence (DoMC), the relevant Committee on Participation Review (CPR) is responsible for validating a list of technical and metrological experts who shall be included in peer assessment teams.

Considering the MoU between ILAC and the OIML and within the scope of the implementation of the Mutual Acceptance Arrangement (MAA), experts from the above-mentioned list will be used by ILAC Members in their assessment teams when carrying out laboratory accreditation including this domain of testing, be it for the MAA or for any other purpose.

For load cells and nonautomatic weighing instruments, technical and metrological experts have been proposed by CIML Members from participating countries in the DoMCs. However, in order to increase the number of experts available for accreditation bodies, during its meeting held on 5 and 6 March 2007 the Presidential Council agreed to give the opportunity to countries which do not participate in the DoMCs to propose experts.

Since the R 49 CPR Meeting will be held on 24 and 25 May 2007 and the R 60/R 76 CPR Meeting will be held on 6 and 7 June 2007, CIML Members and OIML Corresponding Members who would like to propose technical and metrological experts in the field of type approval testing of water meters, load cells and nonautomatic weighing instruments are invited to send their proposals for experts accompanied by a CV to the MAA Project Leader at the latest by 30 April 2007. A CV Format is available on the MAA pages of the OIML web site under the headings "Documentation" and "General". The candidacies will be validated by CPR Members during their meetings.

A future step in the implementation of the cooperation between ILAC and the OIML will be to extend the validation of technical and metrological experts to measuring instruments which are not covered by a DoMC. For this, a formal proposal will be submitted by the BIML for approval at the 42nd CIML Meeting in Shanghai.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any additional information.

Yours faithfully,

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