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INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION

CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT BOARD (CAB) Meeting 33, Geneva, 2013-06-10

SUBJECT
List of the decisions taken at CAB meeting 33, Geneva, 2013-06-10

Decision 33/1 — IECEx Budget 2014 (approved by correspondence)
Noting the positive ballot of the IECEx ExMC, the CAB approved the IECEx budget for 2014 contained in CAB/1124/DV.

Decision 33/2 — IECQ Budget 2014 (approved by correspondence)
Noting the positive ballot of the IECQ MC, the CAB approved the IECQ budget for 2014 contained in CAB/1125/DV.

Decision 33/3 — IECEE Budget 2014 (approved by correspondence)
Noting the positive ballot of the IECEE CMC, the CAB approved the IECEE budget for 2014 contained in CAB/1126/DV.

Decision 33/4 — Approval of the agenda
The CAB approves the agenda contained in CAB/1050B/DA.

Decision 33/5 — General Secretary's guidance on Systems' financial situations
On the general question of the Systems finances, the General Secretary (GS) explained that there was only one legal entity and that the CA systems finances are consolidated in the IEC finances. Further, the Systems are not yet fully self-supporting and that indirect costs currently borne by the IEC should be transferred to the Systems by the 2015 budget.
On the question of the Systems reserves the GS expressed that the IEC policy is that they shall cover 3 years operations, the timeframe to reach this level should be set by the CAB based on Systems' recommendations.
On the question of the use of any surplus funds after the reserves have been fully constituted and the Systems are fully self-supporting, it was suggested that they be used for promotional and business development activities, including training and capacity building and so on, but would not be used to subsidise management meetings.
The CAB notes the explanations given by the IEC General Secretary and expresses its thanks for these clarifications.

Decision 33/6 — *Harmonization of ISO/IEC 17025 and ISO/IEC 17065 checklists*

The CAB notes the progress made on this task, expresses its thanks and appreciation to the Systems' Secretaries and encourages them to continue in this pursuit.

Further, the CAB expresses support for the IEC C.A. Systems to align with the IAF Informative Document for the transition of Product Certification Bodies to ISO/IEC 17065:2012 from ISO/IEC Guide 65:1996 (by 15th September 2015).

Decision 33/7— *Harmonization of the Basic Rules of the Systems*

The CAB tasks WG 11 - Systems Issues with the work of harmonizing the three sets of the Basic Rules as far as possible and requests WG 11 to capture the essential differences and present its analysis and recommendations at the CAB meeting in New Delhi.

Decision 33/8 — *CAB WG membership*

The CAB notes the document CAB/1128A/INF and appoints the new members identified therein to the respective working groups. The CAB further notes the need to have younger members of the IEC CAB to become active on subcommittees as part of a succession plan.

Decision 33/9 — *WG 10, Policy and Strategy*

The CAB thanks WG 10 for its report, CAB/1133/R, appreciates the hard work achieved by WG 10 and approves the document on the proposed CAB membership changes for a recommendation to the Council Board in this respect. If this recommendation is accepted by the CB, then in order to implement it, it will be the task of WG 10 to make proposals for the transition to this new membership structure.

Decision 33/10 — *WG 10, Policy and Strategy*

The CAB notes and agrees with the direction taken in the development table for the CAB Implementation Plan of the 2011 IEC Masterplan and notes the work of the WG 10 Taskforce on Policy and the Compilations of CAB Policies as they are reported.

Decision 33/11 — *WG 10, Policy and Strategy – C/1734/INF*

In context to Item N in the document C/1734/INF, the CAB recommends that CA experts from CAB, including from WG 10, and the CA Systems be invited to participate in the taskforce from its establishment.

Decision 33/12 — *WG 11, Systems Issues – Affiliate Conformity Assessment Status*

The CAB thanks WG 11 for its report, CAB/1129A/R, congratulates the Affiliate Country Programme team for the comprehensive survey and analysis of the needs of 52/82 Affiliate countries and the detailed proposal for an Affiliate Conformity Assessment Status (ACAS) package, endorses this initiative and encourages the Systems to fully embrace it.

The CAB further notes the financial burden that these programs may place on the CA Systems and welcomes the offer by the IEC General Secretary to employ IEC general funds to assist in the implementation of the recommended actions in the report during a two years period to compensate direct costs.

Decision 33/13 — *WG 11, Systems Issues*

The CAB tasks WG 11 to investigate the appropriateness of the current time limit in the Basic Rules under which System's members are required to become at least Associate members of the IEC, for countries to whom ACAS has been granted, and to make a recommendation to the CAB meeting in New Delhi.

Decision 33/14 — *WG 12, Energy Efficiency - Guidance to Introduce the Global EEE Labeling Program*

The CAB thanks WG 12 for its report, CAB/1130/R, congratulates its members for the interim document "Guidance to Introduce the Global EEE Labelling Program" and notes both the report and the guide and encourages this group to revise the guide for its presentation at the CAB meeting in New Delhi.

Decision 33/15 — *WG 13, Product Piracy and Counterfeit Parts*

The CAB thanks WG 13 for its good work in preparing the brochure and PowerPoint presentation on Product Piracy and Counterfeit Parts, and expresses its appreciation and endorsement for these documents.

Decision 33/16 — *WG 15, Marine Energy*

The CAB congratulates the significant effort made by WG 15 over many months and the important strides it has made to reach this point. The CAB approves the report, CAB/1131/R, and the creation of a Renewable Energy Conformity Assessment System and encourages WG 15 to collaborate closely with CAB/WT CAC in the preparation of Draft Basic Rules for CAB approval, while continuing to feed the ME industry voice into this pursuit.

Decision 33/17 — *WG 16 Systems Approach in CA*

The CAB thanked Mr Kampet for his verbal report of the WG 16 meeting held the day before and for the initial report, CAB/1169/R, and endorsed the recommendation to the SMB concerning changes to the document, SMB/5027/R, and the recommendation to create a companion document to this SMB document.

Decision 33/18 — *WG 16 Systems Approach in CA - Workshop*

The CAB notes the recommendation in document CAB/1169/R, to hold a workshop on Systems Conformity Assessment with the objective to understand market needs and to investigate opportunities for IEC CA services. Due to the late meeting of this WG and the availability of this document to this CAB meeting, the CAB requests a grace period of two weeks for National Committee comments following which the CAB requests the IEC CO to coordinate closely with WG 16 in order to organise this event.

Decision 33/19 — *CAB WT CAC – Wind Turbine – IEC 61400-22*

The CAB endorses the establishment of WT CAC SC 22 Subcommittee and its task to identify the conformity assessment content of IEC 61400-22, for publishing as a CA document and thus to fully respect the IEC Statutes and ISO/IEC Directives, and encourages it to work closely with TC 88 MT 22 in this pursuit.

Decision 33/20 — CAB WT CAC – Wind Turbine

The CAB congratulates the significant effort made by CAB WT CAC over many months and the important strides it has made to reach this point. The CAB approves the report, CAB/1134/R, approve the creation of a Renewable Energy Conformity Assessment System once the Basic Rules have been developed as soon as possible.

Decision 33/21 — IEC RE System - Basic Rules

In agreeing with the proposal to establish the Renewable Energy Conformity Assessment System, given in CAB Decision 33/20, CAB applauds the establishment of a working group to work on a draft set of Basic Rules and encourages CAB WT CAC to collaborate closely with WG 15 and experts from TC 82 in light of preliminary work by WG 15, while continuing to feed the WT industry voice into this pursuit and report back at the next CAB meeting in New Delhi.

Decision 33/22—IECQ Chairman nomination

The CAB agrees to accept the document, CAB/1159/R, for this CAB meeting and appoints Mrs Marie-Elisabeth d’Ornano as the new IECQ Chairman for the period 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2016. The CAB also notes that as a consequence of this decision, the IECQ Vice Chairman, Mr Michel Brénon, will step down on 31 December 2013, and that IECQ will start the nomination process for a new Vice Chairman with the objective of an appointment at the CAB meeting in Oct 2013.

Decision 33/23 — IECEE scope extension for Industrial Automation (INDAT category)

The CAB approves the IECEE’s scope extension to include a new product category – INDAT.

Decision 33/24 — Appreciation for presentation by TC 82, PV plant Industry

The CAB expresses its appreciation to Mr Miguel Martinez Lavin for his presence at this meeting and for the quality of and interest provided by the presentation and the description of the environment and the needs of the PV plant industry.

Decision 33/25 — IEC Coordinators in ISO/CASCO WGs

The CAB thanks the IEC Coordinators in ISO/CASCO WGs for their important contribution to the representation of IEC in these working group meetings and their reporting to the CAB. In particular the CAB thanks Mr Ralph Wigg, Mr Alex Ezrakovich, Mr Peter Holtmann, Mr C. Agius and Mr P. de Ruvo and strongly encourages them to continue in this important work.

Decision 33/26 — IEC Coordinators in ISO/CASCO WGs

The CAB confirms Mr Peter Holtmann (AU) as IEC Coordinator in CASCO/WGs 38 and 39, and the successor of Mr de Ruvo as IEC Coordinator in CASCO WG 32. In the absence of an appointed CAB expert the CAB Secretary will undertake this role.

Decision 33/27 — *US NC proposal to revise the current CABPUB process*

The CAB thanks the US National Committee for its proposal and requests the IEC CO to take the necessary steps to implement this recommendation and to provide a progress report at the next CAB meeting in New Delhi.

Decision 33/28 — *IEC/ILAC/IAF Steering Committee*

The CAB thanks the CAB members of the IEC/ILAC/IAF Steering Committee, in particular the Chairman, Mr de Ruvo, and strongly encourages them to continue the progress in continuing to find the best ways to achieve cooperation and recognition between the CA Systems and accreditors.

Decision 33/29 — *ITU: Initiative on conformity assessment and interoperability*

The CAB notes the status of this initiative, thanks the close and persistent follow-up of this matter by Mr Pierre de Ruvo and encourages further discussion.

Decision 33/30 — *EEC: presentation by Mr Alexander Zazhigalkin*

The CAB expresses its thanks and appreciation to Mr Alexander Zazhigalkin for his comprehensive presentation on the current status of the Eurasian Economic Commission.