



**INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION**

**CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT BOARD (CAB)**

**SUBJECT**

Decision List of CAB meeting 25 held in Geneva on 2009-06-08

**Decision 25/1 — *IECEE Budget 2010*** (approved by correspondence)

Noting the recommendation of the **IECEE CMC**, the **CAB** approves the **IECEE** budget for 2010 contained in **CAB/801/DV**.

**Decision 25/2 — *IECQ Budget 2010*** (approved by correspondence)

Noting the recommendation of the **IECQ MC**, the **CAB** approves the **IECQ** budget for 2010 contained in **CAB/802/DV**.

**Decision 25/3 — *IECEX Budget 2010*** (approved by correspondence)

Noting the recommendation of the **IECEX MC**, the **CAB** approves the **IECEX** budget for 2010 contained in **CAB/803/DV**.

**Decision 25/4 — *Report of activities of ISO/CASCO WG 28*** (approved by correspondence)

The **CAB** agrees to submit to **ISO/CASCO WG 28**, on behalf of the **IEC**, the comments to **ISO/IEC DIS 17043** contained in **CAB/799/DV**.

**Decision 25/5 — *Approval of the draft agenda***

The **CAB** approves the draft agenda contained in document **CAB/800C/DA**.

**Decision 25/6 — *WG 10, CAB Strategy***

The **CAB** agrees with the contents of the table in **CAB/811/R** taking into account the discussion in **CAB Meeting 25**. Columns 1 and 2 are a correct statement of the **CAB's** strategy/actions to implement Masterplan 2006, and column 3 is a faithful picture of progress up to April 2009. The **CAB** requests **WG 10** to update the "Milestones and progress to date" column for the next **CAB** meeting in Tel Aviv. It also requests the risk assessment tool to be submitted for separate approval and implementation.

**Decision 25/7 — *Effect of new European regulation on CA Systems***

The **CAB** requests **WG 10** to examine the possible effects on the **CA Systems** of the European Regulation on Accreditation and Market Surveillance in the context of the new legislative framework, which comes into force on 2010-01-01.

**Decision 25/8 — *Update cycle for CA Systems' Basic Rules***

The **CAB** endorses the **IECEE** plan for an update cycle for its Basic Rules.

**Decision 25/9 — *CAB criteria for CA System scope extensions***

The CAB decides to apply the following criteria when considering a proposal from a CA System to extend its scope:

1. The System shall have determined that the extension is in response to a clear need expressed by the market.
2. The extension shall not result in an overlap in the scopes of the IEC CA Systems.
3. The extension shall not adversely affect the financial viability of the IEC CA Systems.
4. The extension shall not involve unacceptable risks of liability for the IEC.
5. The extension shall be consistent with the IEC's policies, including the CA Policy.
6. The extension shall not inflict damage upon the IEC's reputation or image.

**Decision 25/10 — *Internal criteria for CA Systems' scope extension requests***

The CAB recommends the CA Systems to set down in their Basic Rules that a proposed scope extension into a new area or field of activity shall not:

- a) result in an overlap with the scopes of the other IEC CA Systems,
- b) adversely affect the financial viability of the System,
- c) involve unacceptable risks of liability for the IEC,
- d) conflict with the IEC's policies, including the CA Policy, or
- e) inflict damage upon the IEC's reputation or image.

**Decision 25/11 — *IEC participation in the World Energy Conference, Paris, 2010-03***

The CAB agrees with WG 12 that it is relevant for conformity assessment aspects to be included in the IEC participation in the World Energy Conference, Paris, 2010-03, and requests the CAB Chairman and Secretary and the WG 12 Convener to coordinate this.

**Decision 25/12 — *Report on the current status of E<sup>3</sup> work in all parts of the world***

The CAB appoints the following further members to WG 12, in order to allow the preparation of a report on current work going on and completed in various parts of the world on conformity assessment aspects of E<sup>3</sup>:

- Mr Kajiya (in replacement of Mr Fujisawa)
- Ms Sterling (to be replaced by a US expert nominated by her)
- Expert from Brazil (to be nominated by Mr Heeren).

**Decision 25/13 — *WG 13, Product Piracy and Counterfeit Parts***

The CAB acknowledges the steps already adopted by the CA Systems, and recommends them to continue to consider what steps they may take to reduce the risks from piracy and counterfeit products for themselves, their members and their certification bodies, on the basis of the WG 13 recommendations, the comments made and the resulting CAB discussions. The CAB would appreciate for its Spring 2010 meeting a report of the measures taken by each System. WG 13 is requested to remain in stand-by until it can evaluate these reports.

**Decision 25/14 — *WG 14, Publicity***

The CAB notes the report of WG 14 in CAB/824/R, and encourages it to advance especially on item 2 of the report, the need for the study described in item 3 and possibilities for how to carry it out, and the Action on a matrix (mentioned at the end). For the development of the IEC's message concerning regulators (item 1 in the report), the CAB recommends WG 14 to survey, report on and make recommendations concerning the specific tools already being used in various sectors and countries.

**Decision 25/15 — *IEC Coordinators in ISO/CASCO WGs***

The CAB thanks Messrs Wolfgang Kreinberg and Ralph Wigg for the work they have already accomplished and the reports submitted, and formally confirms them as the IEC Coordinators in respectively CASCO WG 31, *Revision of*

**ISO/IEC 17020: Inspection, and CASCO WG 30, Revision of ISO/IEC 17024: Certification of persons.**

**Decision 25/16 — *New concept for collaboration with ILAC using an assessors' pool***

The CAB supports the “new concept of collaboration” described in CAB/806/R and the use of a common pool of assessors, consisting principally of the IEC CA Systems' Registered Technical Assessors.

**Decision 25/17 — *Future joint CAB/ILAC committee***

The CAB is in principle in favour of the proposal to replace the CAB/ILAC Technical Panel by a Strategy Committee. The CAB will examine and approve the more specific proposals to be provided by the CAB/ILAC Technical Panel which will develop the “new concept” further.

**Decision 25/18 — *Replacement for the CAB/IAF Technical and Policy Panels***

The CAB decides, pending the agreement of IAF, to convert the existing CAB/IAF Policy Panel and CAB/IAF Technical Panel into a single committee, to be tentatively named the CAB/IAF Strategy Committee and to be empowered to deal with both policy and technical issues, subject to CAB and IAF approval of all policy and any significant technical recommendations. Its CAB membership will be:

- P. de Ruvo, CAB Leader
- Three elected members of the CAB
- C. Agius
- J. Gryn
- Chairmen of IEC CA Systems.

**Decision 25/19 — *Task of ISO/CASCO WG 29***

The CAB decides to communicate the following firm IEC position to ISO/CASCO WG 29: WG 29 should remain exclusively focused on product certification.

**Decision 25/20 — *Joint re-assessments with IAF***

In order to develop successful joint activities and build confidence, the CAB agrees to start joint re-assessments with IAF and to set a one-year trial programme. The longer-term goal is to be as closely coordinated as possible in the future, in order to save costs and avoid problems.

**Decision 25/21 — *IAF/ILAC JGA Sydney Resolution 7***

Concerning IAF/ILAC JGA Sydney Resolution 7, the CAB approves the proposed wording for the IEC Systems' certificates of approval, provided that clear reference is made to the relevant documents which specify the applicable requirements of ISO/IEC 17025 that were assessed to qualify the Testing Laboratory.