RESOLUTIONS OF THE 42nd EA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

21 & 22 NOVEMBER 2018
BUCHAREST, ROMANIA

EA Resolution 2018 (42) 01
The General Assembly elects Stephan FINKE (DAkkS) as a new member of the Financial Oversight Committee (FOC) and Todor GUNCHEV (BAS) as Chairman of the FOC for the term 22 November 2018 – 31 December 2019.

EA Resolution 2018 (42) 02
The General Assembly agrees to establish an Executive Board and a Technical Management Board according to the principles as outlined in document EAGA(18)11-3 draft new EA Management Structure 23Oct2018. The Executive Committee shall revise the EA Articles of Association and EA-1/17: EA Rules of Procedures for the endorsement by the General Assembly.

EA Resolution 2018 (42) 03
The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation from the Executive Committee, approves to amend the articles of association of EA in accordance with the draft prepared by the partnership organised under the laws of the Netherlands: Trajectum Notariaat, established in Utrecht, the Netherlands, characterised: 20160116/01/HVZ, which is on the table (document EAGA(18)11-4 draft deed of amendment of EA AoA 2018 1_translation_WORD FILE).

The General Assembly authorises, with the power of substitution, each member of the Executive Committee of EA, the Executive Secretary of EA and each of the candidate civil-law notaries and notarial assistants employed by Trajectum Notariaat to have the notarial deed of amendment of articles of association executed and to perform all other legal acts which the attorney deems necessary in respect of the foregoing.

EA Resolution 2018 (42) 04
The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation from the Executive Committee, approves the EA Work Programme for 2019 dated 10 September 2018 (Document EAGA(18)11-7).

EA Resolution 2018 (42) 05
The General Assembly mandates the Executive Committee to finalize the negotiations with the European Commission and EFTA and mandates the Executive Secretary to sign the renewed Framework Partnership agreement 2019-2022.

EA Resolution 2018 (42) 06
The General Assembly endorses the decision of the Executive Committee to offer EA Recognised Stakeholder status to AEBIOM (nowadays Bioenergy Europe), and to enter into an agreement (Document EAGA(18)11-19) with AEBIOM in accordance with EA-1/15 A: 2014 - EA Policy for Relations with Stakeholders.

EA Resolution 2018 (42) 07
The General Assembly ratifies the results of the electronic ballots completed since the last General Assembly meeting according to Document EAGA(18)11-37.
**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 08**

The General Assembly, acting upon recommendation of the Executive Committee, agrees that the EA Executive Committee starts a new work item to revise EA-1/14: *Control of documents* according to the rationale for revision set out in EAGA(18)11-9.

**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 09**

The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, endorses the revised budget for 2018 and notes the revised forecast of the accounts 2018 (Document EAGA(18)11-27).

**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 10**

The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, endorses the revised EA budget for 2019 (Document EAGA(18)11-29) and the revised membership fees for 2019 (Document EAGA(18)11-31).

**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 11**

The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation of the MAC, endorses the Terms of Reference of the EA Multilateral Agreement Council (MAC) as revised in October 2018 (Document EAGA(18)11-17).

**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 12**

The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation of the Multilateral Agreement Council, agrees that the EA MAC starts a new work item to revise EA-2/02: *Procedure for the evaluation of a National Accreditation Body* according to the rationale for revision set out in EAGA(18)11-12).

**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 13**

The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, endorses the Terms of Reference of the EA Communications and Publications Committee (CPC) as revised in September 2018 (Document EAGA(18)11-21).

**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 14**

The General Assembly, acting upon recommendation of the Certification Committee, agrees that the EA CC starts a new work item to revise EA-6/02: *Guidelines on the use of EN 45011 and ISO/IEC 17021 For certification to EN ISO 3834* according to the rationale for revision set out in EAGA(18)11-13).

**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 15**

The General Assembly, acting upon recommendation of the Laboratory Committee, agrees that the EA LC starts a new work item to revise EA-4/02: *Evaluation of the Uncertainty of Measurement in Calibration* according to the rationale for revision set out in EAGA(18)11-14).

**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 16**

The General Assembly, acting upon recommendation of the Laboratory Committee, agrees that the EA LC starts a new work item to revise EA-4/09: *Accreditation for Sensory Testing Laboratories* according to the rationale for revision set out in EAGA(18)11-15).

**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 17**

The General Assembly, acting upon recommendation of the Laboratory Committee, agrees that the EA LC starts a new work item to revise EA-INF/13: *The Assessment and Accreditation of Opinions and Interpretations using ISO/IEC 17025:2005* according to the rationale for revision set out in EAGA(18)11-16).
EA Resolution 2018 (42) 18
The General Assembly approves the following IAF resolutions adopted at the IAF 32nd Annual General Assembly in Singapore on 31 October 2018, as applicable to EA and its members:

IAF Resolution 2018-13 – (Agenda Item 9) Non-Accredited Product Certification where the CAB is accredited for the same scope - The General Assembly acting on the recommendation of the Technical Committee resolved that IAF Accreditation Body members shall have legally enforceable arrangements with their accredited CABs for product certification that prevents the CAB from issuing non-accredited product certification in scopes for which they are accredited. The enforceable arrangements shall require full implementation within three years from 31 October 2018.

Additionally, CABs for product certification must transition certification documentation to include the accreditation symbol and/or must make reference to the accreditation status of the CAB including the identification of the AB, no later than 31 October 2021.

Note: If there is an exception to the above, the CAB must justify the exception to the AB, and if accepted by the AB, the certification is still considered accredited.


All ISO/IEC 20000-1:2011 accredited certificates shall expire or be withdrawn no later than 29th September 2021 (the end of the transition period).

Within this transition timeline:

- ABs shall be ready to carry out transition assessments for ISO/IEC 20000-1:2018 within 8 months from 30th September 2018 (the starting date of transition).

- CABs seeking accreditation to the new standard shall complete the transition with ABs for ISO/IEC 20000-1:2018 within 18 months from 30th September 2018 (the starting date of transition).

- CABs shall cease conducting initial and recertification audits to the ISO/IEC 20000-1:2011 18 months from 30th September 2018 (the starting date of transition).

IAF Resolution 2018-15 – (Agenda Item 9) Transitional Arrangement for ISO 22000:2018 - The General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the Technical Committee, resolved that the period for the transitioning of accredited certifications to ISO 22000:2018 Food safety management systems -- Requirements for any organization in the food chain be three years, with the transition deadline being no later than 29 June 2021.

Accredited certificates issued to ISO 22000:2005 after the date of publication of ISO 22000:2018 shall state an expiry date of 29 June 2021. This resolution replaces IAF Resolution 2017-16.


IAF Resolution 2018-17 – (Agenda Item 9) Transition date for ISO and IEC publications - The General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the Technical Committee, resolved to endorse the start date and end date of all future IAF Transition periods be the last day of the month of publication, as outlined on the ISO and IEC standard.
**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 19**
The General Assembly approves the following resolution adopted at the ILAC 22nd Annual General Assembly in Singapore on 31 October 2018, as applicable to EA and its members:

**ILAC Resolution GA 22.19**
The General Assembly resolves that the standard applicable to biobanks for the purposes of accreditation will be ISO 20387 *Biobanking – General requirements for biobanking*, to be used as a standalone standard.

**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 20**
The General Assembly adopts:

- IAF MD 4:2018 *IAF Mandatory Document for the Use of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) for Auditing/Assessment Purposes*

**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 21**
The General Assembly expresses its appreciation for the written reports presented by international and regional cooperation organisations to the 42nd General Assembly on 21-22 November 2018.

**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 22**
The General Assembly expresses its appreciation for the written reports presented by stakeholder organisations to the 42nd General Assembly on 21-22 November 2018.

**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 23**
The General Assembly agrees upon the following dates and venues for future meetings:

- 22-23 May 2019 in Rome, Italy
- 20-21 November 2019 in Budapest, Hungary
- 13-14 May 2020 in Luxemburg
- 25-26 November 2020 in Croatia

**EA Resolution 2018 (42) 24**
The General Assembly expresses its appreciation for the superb arrangements and support services provided by RENAR for the 42nd General Assembly on 21-22 November 2018.

End of resolutions of the 42nd EA General Assembly.