

RESOLUTIONS OF THE 51st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

18-19 MAY 2022

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EA Resolution 2022 (51) 01

The General Assembly elects the following EA officers for a two-year mandate starting on 1 January 2023:

EA President: Maureen Logghe, BELAC
EA Vice-President: Cecilie Laake, NA

Members of the Executive Board: Leopoldo Cortez, IPAC
Roeland Nieuweboer, RvA
Karine Vincent, COFRAC
Jesper Hoy, DANAK

Members of the Technical Management Board (Committee/Council Chairs):

EA Multilateral Agreement Council Chair: Maria Papatzikou, ESYD
EA Horizontal Harmonization Committee Chair: Gabriel Zrenner, DAKKS
EA Laboratory Committee Chair: Sergio Guzzi, ACCREDIA
EA Certification Committee Chair: Casper van Erp, RvA
EA Inspection Committee Chair: Marek Wilgos, PCA

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 02

The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation from the Executive Board, approves the Work Programme for 2023 dated 29 March 2022 (Document EAGA(22)05-06).

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 03

The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation from the Executive Board, approves the Action Plan 2023-2026 dated 25 April 2022 (Document EAGA(22)05-07rev) and mandates the Executive Board to revise the Action Plan, if necessary.

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 04

The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation from the Executive Board, agrees that EA considers it contrary to reasonableness and fairness if any EA member does not also comply with the EU sanction regulations. EA members cannot offer accreditation services to Conformity Assessment Bodies in particular established in Russia and Belarus if these bodies are listed in the EU sanctions list. Compliance with EU sanction regulations shall be deemed as an obligation according to paragraph 5 of EA-1/17 *EA Rules of Procedure*. The Executive Board may suspend a member if it does not fulfil its obligations to EA.

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 05

The General Assembly ratifies the results of the electronic ballots completed since the General Assembly meeting held in November 2021 according to Document EAGA(22)05-48.

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 06

The General Assembly, acting upon recommendation from the Executive Board, adopts:

- the Statutory Auditor's Report on the financial statement for 2021 (Documents EAGA(22)05-12, EAGA(22)05-13 and EAGA(22)05-14);
- the Statutory Auditor's Special Report on regulated agreements (Document EAGA(22)05-16);

- the Statutory auditor's attestation on the eligibility of expenditures regarding the Operating Grant 2021 (Document EAGA(22)05-15).

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 07

The General Assembly accepts the Financial Oversight Committee's Report on EA accounts for 2021 (Document EAGA(22)05-18) and endorses the Executive Board's response to the Financial Oversight Committee's Report on EA 2021 Accounts (Document EAGA(22)05-19).

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 08

The General Assembly, acting upon recommendation from the Executive Board, approves the financial accounts for 2021 (Document EAGA(22)05-17), including Annex 2 of the activity-based budget. The result of 44.621 Euro, which includes 34.817 Euro additional membership fee according to the EA reserves policy, shall be transferred to the EA reserves.

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 09

The General Assembly grants discharge from liability to the members of the Executive Board for the policy conducted by them during the financial year 2021 in accordance with Article 19.5 of the Articles of Association.

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 10

The General Assembly, acting upon recommendation from the Executive Board, approves the forecast and revised activity-based budget for 2022 (Document EAGA(22)05-24).

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 11

The General Assembly, acting upon recommendation from the Executive Board:

- approves the proposed budget for 2023 (Document EAGA(22)05-21) and membership fee schedule for 2023 (Document EAGA(22)05-22);
- mandates the Executive Board, in compliance with EA-1/20 A:2022, to review, adjust and present the revised budget 2023 and the fee schedule 2023 to the General Assembly. Endorsement may be realised by electronic ballot, if necessary;
- mandates the Executive Board to revise the Work Programme 2023, if necessary.

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The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation of the Technical Management Board and based on the endorsement from the Horizontal Harmonization Committee, approves that:

"The preferred standard for accreditation of clinical pathology is EN ISO 15189. Clinical pathology in this context is understood to contain examinations of tissues or cell material for the purpose of diagnosis and eventual therapy recommendations. It also includes the examinations of the natural deceased by means of autopsies. It is not to be understood as forensic examinations or forensic autopsy. However, if the accredited services include further steps of diagnosis and eventual therapy recommendations, EN ISO/IEC 17020 could be considered to be also appropriate provided all the requirements of the preferred standard are used as additional requirements within the accreditation process."

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The General Assembly, acting upon recommendation from the Horizontal Harmonization Committee, agrees that the HHC starts a new work item to revise EA-1/06 *EA Multilateral Agreement - Criteria for Signing - Policy and Procedures for Development* according to the rationale for revision set out in Document EAGA(22)05-26.

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 14

The General Assembly approves the updated Terms of Reference of the Certification Committee (Document EAGA(22)05-09).

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 15

The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation of the Certification Committee, agrees that EA withdraws EA-6/04 M: 2011 *EA Guidelines on the Accreditation of Certification of Primary Sector Products by Means of Sampling of Sites*.

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 16

The General Assembly approves the updated Terms of Reference of the Inspection Committee (Document EAGA(22)05-10).

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 17

The General Assembly expresses its appreciation for the written reports presented by international and regional cooperation organisations to the 51st General Assembly on 18-19 May 2022.

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 18

The General Assembly expresses its appreciation for the written reports presented by stakeholder organisations to the 51st General Assembly on 18-19 May 2022.

EA Resolution 2022 (51) 19

The General Assembly agrees upon the following dates and venues for future meetings:

- 23-24 November 2022, Central Europe
- May 2023, Croatia
- November 2023, Ireland
- May 2024, Belgium
- November 2024, TBD

End of resolutions of the 51st EA General Assembly