

APLAC REPORT to APLMF November 2018

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Focus for 2018

- ILAC evaluation of APLAC
- Transition to ISO/IEC 17011:2017
- Transition to ISO/IEC 17025:2017
- Establishment of the Asia-Pacific Accreditation Co-operation (APAC)

Membership

- 48 Full Members, 16 Associate Members
- APLAC MRA
 - 39 signatories (24 economies + 1 MEAB = 7 economies)
 - Testing = 37
 - Calibration = 29
 - Medical = 19
 - Inspection = 19
 - RMP = 15
 - PTP = 14

24th APLAC General Assembly

- Held in Kyoto, Japan on 8 June 2018
- Election of office bearers
 - transition to roles within APAC
- Adoption of new name - Asia Pacific Accreditation Co-operation (APAC)
- Adoption of new Constitution (APAC Constitution)
- Endorsement of budget – July to December 2018
 - funding for remaining 'APLAC' activities incl training, APLAC-APMP PT programs

Training

- Transition to new Standards
 - ISO/IEC 17011:2017
 - 5 x training courses conducted
 - ISO/IEC 17025:2017
 - 3 x training course conducted, 1 x scheduled November 2018
- ISO/IEC 17020:2013
 - Workshop focussing on implementation issues Hanoi, Viet Nam 4 - 7 December 2018

Future

- APAC will be established on 1 January 2019
 - APAC Constitution registered by Registrar of Incorporated Societies, New Zealand
 - APLAC has voted to adopt the new name and the new Constitution
 - PAC has voted to dissolve and transfer members to APAC
- Three membership categories
 - Full Members = APAC MRA signatories [~46]
 - Associate Members = ABs not yet signatories [~21]
 - Affiliates = stakeholders, CAB organisations [~7]

Future

- Asia – Pacific region
 - Pacific = economies on rim of Pacific Ocean
 - Asia = region bounded in east by Pacific Ocean, south by Indian Ocean, north by Arctic Ocean, west by indirect line that follows Ural and Caucasus Mountains and Caspian and Black Seas
- APAC documentation finalised
 - Governance = Constitution and Codes & Regulations
 - Management System documentation
 - MRA documentation
 - Currently being reviewed by ILAC PE TL Leopoldo Cortez on behalf of ILAC and IAF

Future

- Transitional arrangements to June 2019
 - APAC Co-chairs - Ms CHANG Kwei Fern, Ms Jennifer EVANS
 - APAC Executive Committee = current APLAC Board of Management + current PAC Executive Committee
 - APAC MRA Committee Co-chairs – Ms Asuza NAKAGAWA, Dr Llewelyn RICHARDS
 - Arrangements in place for Committees
- First APAC General Assembly – 15 – 22 June 2019, Singapore
 - Elections for office bearers
- First APAC MRA evaluation – February 2019