

APAC REPORT

26th APLMF Forum and Working Group Meetings
6 -8 Nov 2019, Vietnam

ESTABLISHMENT OF APAC (1)



- On resolution at their annual meetings in Kyoto 2018, APLAC PAC to create a new single regional accreditation body (APAC).
- APAC (Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation Incorporated) began operations on 1 January 2019.
- Members:
 - 46 Full Members across 28 economies (APAC MRA signatories)
 - 19 Associate Members across 16 economies; and
 - 11 Affiliates across 9 economies

Boundary includes Asia and the Pacific Rim. It comprises of Central Asia, East Asia, South Asia, Southeast Asia, and Western Asia.

- The region account for over half of total world trade and two thirds global human population
(Data in 2016)
- APAC's Full Members have accredited
 - 50,422 laboratories, inspection bodies, reference material producers and proficiency testing providers; and
 - 3,201 certification bodies and greenhouse gas (GHG) validation and verification bodies.
(Sept 2018)

ESTABLISHMENT OF APAC (2)



- **APAC Executive:**

- Ms. Chang Kwei Fern (SAC – Singapore) APAC Chair
- Ms. Jennifer Evans (NATA – Australia) APAC Vice Chair
- Mr. Kukuh Achmad (KAN – Indonesia)
- Mr. Reinaldo Figueiredo (ANAB – USA), Treasurer
- Mr. Brahim Houla (GAC – Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Member States)
- Mr. Bruce Li (TAF – Chinese Taipei)
- Mr. Trace McInturff (A2LA – USA)
- Mr. Vu Xuan Thuy (BoA – Viet Nam)
- Ms. Yuko Yoneoka (JAB – Japan)

- **APAC Secretary**

Mr. Graeme Drake

APAC MUTUAL RECOGNITION ARRANGEMENT (MRA) (1)



The APAC MRA covers the following scopes:

- Testing
- Calibration
- Proficiency testing providers
- Reference materials producers
- Inspection
- Management systems certification (Energy management systems (EnMS); Environmental management systems (EMS); Feed additives and premixtures quality system (FAMI-QS); Food safety management systems (FSMS); Information security management systems (ISMS); Medical device quality management systems (MDQMS); Occupational health and safety management systems (OHSMS); Quality management systems (QMS)
- Greenhouse gas validation and verification
- Person certification
- Product certification; GlobalGAP

IAF and ILAC accepted APAC as a regional cooperation member and have recognised the APAC Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) and its signatories.

APAC MUTUAL RECOGNITION ARRANGEMENT (MRA) (2)



- APAC has 201 peer evaluators, and 50 nominated peer evaluators.
- Training sessions for peer evaluators :
 - 30 Apr – 2 May 2019 Lead Evaluator training, Chinese Taipei
 - 3 - 5 Sep 2019 Nominated Evaluator training, Bangkok
 - 1-3 Oct 2019 Lead Evaluator training, Singapore
 - 10-12 Dec 2019 Nominated Evaluator training, Beijing
 - 4-6 Feb 2020 Nominated Evaluator training, Frederick, MD, USA

CAPACITY BUILDING



Activities in 2019 – 7 Workshops/Trainings:

1. Workshop on accreditation in the medical sector using ISO 15189, Hong Kong (May 15-16)
 2. Workshop on ISO/IEC 17011 for AB middle management, Singapore (June 15)
 3. Workshop on Use of risk management in accreditation, Singapore (Jun 16)
 4. ISO/IEC 17021-1 Energy management systems (ISO 50003), Fullerton, CA-USA (Aug 12-14)
 5. ISO/IEC 17011 Training and risk management, Tashkent (Oct 2-4)
 6. ISO/IEC 17029 Validation and verification (with focus on GHG (ISO 14064-3 and ISO 14065)), Seoul (Nov 4-6)
 7. ISO/IEC 17025 Accreditation experience sharing, Vladivostok (Nov 12-14)
- In addition, APAC works with PTB to deliver the multi-year Strengthening Accreditation Networks in Asia Pacific (SANAP II) programme that helps to build the capacity of developing country accreditation bodies to become APAC MRA signatories.

FUTURE APAC ANNUAL MEETINGS

- 2020 (20 June - 28 June)- Abu Dhabi, hosted by ENAS and GAC
- 2021 (25 June – 3 July)- New Delhi, hosted by NABCB, NABL and NABET
- 2022 (24 June – 2 July)- Indonesia, hosted by KAN
- 2023 (23 June – 1 July)- Los Angeles, hosted by IAS
- 2024 (21 June - 29 June 2024)- Russia, hosted by RusAccreditation

Thank you for attention