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*
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)

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• 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