



# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

## ASIA-PACIFIC LEGAL METROLOGY FORUM (APLMF)

#### **AND**

#### PHYSIKALISCH-TECHNISCHE BUNDESANSTALT (PTB)

Asia-Pacific Legal Metrology Forum (APLMF) and Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt (PTB) in the framework of German development cooperation, hereby agree to pursue cooperation in accordance with this Memorandum of Understanding in order to provide a mechanism for cooperative activities for the benefit of national metrology institutes in the Asia Pacific region.

#### **Article I. Objective**

The objective of the Memorandum of Understanding is to foster the cooperation of APLMF and PTB and to lay out a framework for cooperative activities. All activities under this Memorandum of Understanding shall promote the development of metrology infrastructure in the Asia Pacific region with an emphasis on developing economies. Beneficiaries of the activities can be national legal metrology authorities, designated institutes or other metrology service providers from the developing economies including members and non-members of APLMF.

#### **Article II. Cooperative Activities**

Cooperative activities can include, but are not limited to, training courses, interlaboratory comparisons, coaching and travel support for conferences. All measures shall be agreed on a case-by-case basis by the APLMF and PTB in writing, subject to approval by the APLMF Executive Committee (EC) and the assigned contact person of PTB.

#### **Article III. Source of Funding and Personnel**

Financial and non-financial contributions by the APLMF, any APLMF member and PTB will depend on funds and personnel available and shall be agreed on a case-by-case basis.

#### **Article IV. Contact points**

The contact point for the cooperation on the side of APLMF shall be the President.





The contact point on the side of PTB shall be the head of the Working Group 9.32/ International Cooperation in Asia.

### Article V. Status of the Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding states the declared intention of the two parties to cooperate and shall not be regarded as a binding agreement.

#### **Article VI. Entry into Force and Termination**

This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force after having been signed by both parties and remain in force for five (5) years, unless terminated earlier by either party upon ninety (90) days' written notice to the other party. This Memorandum of Understanding may be modified or extended by written agreement of the parties. The termination of this Memorandum of Understanding shall not affect the validity or duration of projects under the Memorandum of Understanding initiated prior to such termination.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties have caused this Memorandum of Understanding to be executed in duplicate in English with each of the copies being equally authenticated by their duly authorized representatives.

FOR PHYSIKALISCH-TECHNISCHE BUNDESANSTALT OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF

GERMANY (PTB)

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