INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR NON-DESTRUCTIVE TESTING

## WG1 on NDT Qualification and Certification

Notes of a WG1 meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2011 at the PAC NDT Convention Centre, Cancun, Mexico.

- Attendance at the present meeting (link to list of past attendance)
  - a. Members: G Aufricht, S Babu, D Barnett, P Fallouey, M Farley, J Filho, R Holstein, M Johannes, A Mullin, N Ooka, M Purschke, R RodrÍguez, J Thompson, J Zirnhelt. (13)
  - b. Observers: D Gilbert, W Holliday, D Marshall, R Morgan, R Potter, C Belinco, J Reves. (6)
  - c. Apologies: F Delfini, R Geng, R Nisbet, H Neeson. (4)
- 2. Confirmation of the agenda (and proposals for AOB)
  - a. The agenda was approved with minor reordering and additions.
- 3. Confirmation of WG1 Membership (see also Terms of Reference)
  - a. Messrs F Delfini and R Nisbet were removed from the WG1 membership list.
  - b. Jim Guild was added as representative of the African Federation.
  - ASNT was urged to nominate a replacement for Mr Nisbet. In the meantime, WG1 email and documents are to be sent to Wayne Holliday

Action: JRT to distribute the revised membership list

- 4. ICNDT MRA Documents & PCB Approval Documents (review of comments)
  - a. The comments tendered by ASNT, together with the ICNDT responses, were discussed in detail, with WH emphasising that the formal ASNT position on the MRA and PCBA systems was subject to discussion and would be agreed at a forthcoming meeting of the Board.
  - b. The Chairman, who looked forward to receiving the ASNT position statement, expressed on behalf of WG1 a sincere hope that ASNT would in the end agree to support the WG1 systems that had been developed to provide for international harmonisation, recognition and acceptance of certification for the greater benefit of the world NDT community at large. He hoped that ASNT would participate in the MRA, but reminded the meeting that there was great support for this work amongst the vast majority of ICNDT members.
  - c. Transitional arrangements for the MRA;
    - i. A document was sent by email to Mike Farley for approval by the PGPC.
- 5. To note the status of ICNDT Procedures related to WG1 activity
  - a. 15 WG & Committee ToR
  - b. <u>18</u> CEC ToR. Approved and ready for implementation. Need to elect members of the CEC in Durban.
  - c. 19 ICNDT MRA and 20 ICNDT PCBA. Distributed to PGPC for voting.
  - d. The extended voting period had resulted in the receipt of 9 positive votes and 1 negative vote, and the PGPC will now be asked to confirm the approval of these system documents for ratification by the general assembly.
  - e. Targets for Durban:
    - i. GA approval of documents
    - ii. Full systems launch
    - iii. PCBA Auditor selection and registration to be at least started, requesting regional input.
  - f. A Transitional Arrangements document is to be approved by PGPC, and a drafting panel comprising JMF, JRT, DB and PF was established to complete this work in time for the 2011-10-02 meeting.

- 6. Revision of the ICNDT Guide responsibilities
  - a. Responsibilities accepted by WG1 members, and timelines agreed.
  - b. The part prepared Word version of the guide and a table of responsibilities are distributed with these notes of the meeting.

**Action: WG1 members** to progress the review and revision according to the agreed timescales.

- 7. ICNDT examination question bank
  - a. The question bank and the operating software was demonstrated to the meeting.
  - Terms and conditions for access and use are recommended by WG1, for consideration by ExCom
  - c. Fees, liabilities and disclaimers to be decided by ExCom for agreement by PGPC.

Action: JMF to ensure that these are proposed and considered at ExCom for approval.

d. Action was placed on WG1 to consider at the next meeting what might be done to further develop this resource.

Action: JRT to add to next agenda

- 8. Action plan
  - a. The WG1 action plan was reviewed and updated.
- 9. PAC NDT Conference workshop on QC&A
  - a. The programme for the workshop was reviewed and adjusted in terms of timing.
  - It was agreed that a copy was to be e-mailed to the conference organiser for printing and displaying as a poster for the information of delegates (the workshop was not mentioned in the conference programme)
- 10. Dates and locations for future meetings:
  - a. 14<sup>th</sup> April 2012 (08:00 12:00), Durban, RSA, 18<sup>th</sup> WCNDT
- 11. The meeting was adjourned at 14:00 on 2011-10-01.