



## ICEC Report for IEC meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023

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### 1. ICEC online meetings

A on-line ICEC meeting was on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023. The draft notes and actions will be circulated at the IEC meeting.

### 2. Multilateral Recognition Agreement (OP19)

#### 2.1 Status of MRA Schedule 1

- There are 46 signatories to Schedule 1: The latest schedule (dated 14<sup>th</sup> November 2023) is on the ICNDT website.

#### 2.2 Status of MRA Schedule 2

- There are 20 registrations for Schedule 2. The latest schedule (is dated 7<sup>th</sup> August 2023).
- There are 7 OP19 renewals in 2023. NDTSS Singapore, Poland UDT-Cert, Sri-Lanka and ISO Finland have re-registered, and Australia AINDT, BINDT UK, and TWI UK are in progress
- The 2023 annual continuation check is in progress with all but 1 continuity form submitted.
- OP19 has been revised to accommodate delays in audit due to events such as the pandemic.
- OP19 is under revision to tighten the requirements for the audit of PCBs to include auditors with NDT experience. However more there is a difficulty with respect to the IAF who do not require specific knowledge of the clients technology. There is now representation into IAC via UKAS to encourage dialogue with ICNDT.
- The ICEC is discussing the checks that should be made on AQB's to ensure they are in compliance with the registered PCB procedures.



### 3. PCB Conformity Assessment (OP20)

- China (ChSNDT) has undergone a new OP20 assessment under ISO9712:2021. In turn has re-registered under OP19

## 4. ICNDT Certification Executive Committee (ICEC) Operating Procedure (OP18)

- The General Assembly approved the changes to OP18 to reflect the change in size and make up of the ICEC committee.
- Currently Sajeesh Babu is acting as the temporary WG1 representative to the ICEC committee.
- The ICEC are requesting that Peter Milligan is made a permanent member of the ICEC committee as the deputy Chair and WG1 representative.
- It is noted that the modification to OP18 providing additional members of the ICEC has enabled the ICEC secretary to minimise political conflict during the RTC re-registration.
- The ICEC is requesting whether a further temporary appointment into the committee can be made to replace Peter Milligan.

## 5. Examination Question Bank (OP 23)

### 5.1 Status

- Harold Jansen has uploaded the full EQB to the on-line delivery method. The fees for and fee structure for the on-line delivery method were discussed during the September ICEC meeting. Beta testing of the new on-line EQB has taken place with over 8 users of the system. So far the trial has performed well.
- Two organisations in Canada CWB and CINDE are now considering buying the EQB. Currently this would be under the old delivery single purchase agreement but both are interested in the new on-line delivery platform.

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