

# INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR NON-DESTRUCTIVE TESTING

# The World Organisation for NDT

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#### **ICNDT STRATEGIC PLAN**

#### 1. PROCESS

Since 2008, ICNDT has operated in accordance with Strategic Plans updated every two years.

In this document Rev10 the ICNDT's objectives are reviewed and the global situation in which ICNDT operates is considered. There is then a SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) analysis, against the Objectives designed to identify gaps in our activities and develop specific strategies and matching Action Plans for the period 2016-20.

#### 2. OBJECTIVES OF ICNDT

ICNDT is a non profit association devoted to the international development of the science and practice of Non-Destructive Testing, in conjunction with individual already existing NDT societies and recognised Regional Groupings of NDT societies. ICNDT's activities are dependent on the voluntary actions of its members. The purposes, set out in the Constitution, are to:

- i. direct its prime focus on, to promote and support Non-Destructive Testing (NDT) at an international level for the benefit of the involved public in general;
- ii. promote international collaboration in all matters relating to NDT, including collaboration with international organisations with an interest in NDT, e.g. International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO), International Institute of Welding (IIW), International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), United Nations Development Organisation (UNIDO), World Federation of NDT Centres etc:
- iii. encourage the foundation, development, strengthening and cooperation of existing and new national and regional NDT Societies;
- iv. assign the place and organisation of the World NDT Conference to an appropriate NDT society or group of societies, at intervals of four years;

- v. establish and implement membership policies of ICNDT in collaboration with Regional Groupings of NDT societies;
- vi. award distinctions honouring outstanding services in the area of Non-Destructive Testing;
- vii. encourage the formulation of international standards on Non-Destructive Testing in collaboration with the International Organisation for Standardisation, and other standards bodies;

viii. promote best practices in NDT and to encourage international harmonisation in this area.

#### 3. SITUATION ANALYSIS

The situation in which the ICNDT and its member societies operate may be summarised as follows:-

- i. NDT business in all its aspects (including personnel, company equipment, services, and industrial applications) is increasingly "globalised" and subject to standards, directives, regulations and specifications which are determined outside national boundaries. These are sometimes regional (e.g. PED, EASA), sometimes sectoral (e.g. ASME, NADCAP), sometimes international (e.g. ISO, IAEA, IAF...) and sometimes specific to the global operations of large companies.
- ii. In-Service NDT (for condition assessment, life estimation and life extension) is now as important as NDT in manufacture and increasingly important in a safety-conscious world.
- iii. The breadth and depth of technologies encompassed by NDT is increasing and many member societies now cover condition monitoring and diagnostic technologies as well as traditional NDT.
- iv. There are shortages of NDT personnel in some countries; and an increasingly mobile workforce, national certifications spreaded out in foreign economies which need to be recognized in participating MRA countries.
- v. ICNDT needs recognition by and engagement with other international or regional bodies with interests in NDT; comparable with the recognition by ISO
- vi. NDT largely survived the economic downturn, demand continues to grow. Larger NDT Societies are in a healthy state but very small ones struggle to grow and the rate of formation of new societies has declined..
- vii. ICNDT has a long history and very broad membership (over 60 countries) and since legalisation in 2008 provides a stable platform for more effective representation and support of the membership and the wider NDT community.
- viii. ICNDT's role as an association of NDT societies is complementary to the roles of individual member societies. Even in situations where members cannot find a consensus, ICNDT has a role to play in providing a forum for information, debate and discussion so that individual members are better informed.
- ix. ICNDT includes among its members NDT Societies which range from the very small to the very large with corresponding differences in budgets and resources. Some NDT Societies focus completely within their own countries whilst others have much more international involvement and operate outside their home countries' borders Several of the larger societies have a track record of working with and supporting smaller societies. There is a desire amongst the Membership, approved at the GA in June 2016 to see closer co-operation between ICNDT andthe Regions to eliminate duplication and increase efficiency.

| 4. | STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES OF ICNDT |  |
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|   | OBJECTIVES  | Strengths   | Weaknesses   | Opportunities   | Threats  |
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| 1 | To direct its prime focus on, to promote and support Non-Destructive Testing (NDT) at an international level for the benefit of the involved public in general. | <ul> <li>ICNDT is Internationally recognized</li> <li>Can pool knowledge and share experiences</li> <li>Liaison with other organizations         <ul> <li>IAEA</li> <li>ISO TC 135</li> <li>ISO TC 108</li> </ul> </li> <li>Members in other organizations</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Modesty of resources</li> <li>Funds</li> <li>Manpower</li> <li>Not in good contact with public at large</li> <li>Insufficient knowledge of member wants</li> <li>Lack of educational and promotional materials</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Modern communications, networking</li> <li>Development of press releases</li> <li>Build on member society capabilities</li> <li>New brochures and videos on NDT available</li> <li>Presence in conferences for materials &amp; testing</li> <li>Market research</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>NDT sometimes viewed as less important than other technologies</li> <li>Competing bodies with more specific objectives</li> <li>Academia NDT</li> </ul> |

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| 2 | To promote international collaboration in all matters relating to NDT, including with international organisations with an interest in NDT, e.g. International Organization for Standardisation (ISO), International Institute of Welding (IIW), International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), UNIDO, World Federation of NDE Centres, CEN etc. | Established linkages and increased recognition from organizations such as ISO , IAEA, WINS and WFNDE Centers | <ul> <li>Still not enough influence with IAEA         <ul> <li>Lack of knowledge about liaison organizations</li> <li>Lack of strong and continued representation</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Collaborative programs and publications</li> <li>Joint workshops</li> <li>Need to propose our own agenda</li> </ul> | Other organizations may have declining interest in NDT |

|   | OBJECTIVES   | Strengths  | Weaknesses  | Opportunities   | Threats   |
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| 3 | To encourage the foundation, development, strengthening and cooperation of existing and new national and regional NDT Societies.                                 | <ul> <li>Good track record on all aspects, 10 new members in 4 years</li> <li>Associate member category allows access for fledgling societies</li> <li>Some Member societies interested in working with new societies</li> <li>guidance for new societies published</li> <li>Membership of ICNDT helps promote national societies</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Resources to support are primarily with member societies – not ICNDT</li> <li>Small NDT Societies are financially weak and lack the resources to fulfil their roles</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Additional geographic areas/ Regional Groups</li> <li>Offer to provide links to experts</li> <li>Provide buddy/mentors to small Societies</li> <li>Workshops for new and fledgling societies</li> <li>Encourage external operations of larger societies to provide services in countries which do not have an NDT society</li> <li>Internet provides low cost facilities to allow interactions</li> <li>Need more frequent communication and interaction with Members</li> </ul> | - Alternatives to NDT societies   |
| 4 | To assign the place and organisation of the World NDT Conference and exhibition to an appropriate NDT society or group of societies, at intervals of four years. | <ul> <li>Well recognised (the only World Conference)</li> <li>Increasing interest</li> <li>Brings a broad spectrum together</li> <li>Well formulated procedures and guidelines</li> <li>Well established timetable interleaving with Regional Conferences</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Quality is variable</li> <li>Lack of student         participation</li> <li>Lack of participation by         important "users" of         NDT</li> </ul>                       | Bring in or involve other "users", especially from outside of the NDT Community   | <ul> <li>Many other conferences</li> <li>Regions</li> <li>Member Societies</li> <li>Materials Societies</li> <li>Industry Groups</li> <li>Modern communications, internet fora</li> </ul> |

|   | OBJECTIVES   | Strengths  | Weaknesses   | Opportunities   | Threats   |
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| 5 | To establish and implement membership policies of ICNDT in collaboration with regional groupings of NDT societies.   | - new Constitution<br>recognises Member<br>societies and Regional<br>Groups; Full, Associate and<br>Liaison membership<br>- APCNDT and AFNDT<br>have progressed to<br>Federations and PanAm<br>NDT is doing the same | application process can be slow (but much improved)     African Federation has not progressed as was hoped   | - Greater contribution from regions  - support new federations to form a regional group based on UN charter - support between Regions instead of duplication of work  | <ul> <li>Regions need to communicate</li> <li>lack of global consultation and support to members if regions fail to achieve consensus.</li> <li>Narrowing vision within the regions</li> <li>Interregion comms</li> </ul> |
| 6 | To award distinctions honouring outstanding services in the area of Non-Destructive Testing.   | Well defined processes in place for Awards and Honorary Membership, and for recognition of Volunteers  | Lack of publicity by     Members, hence lack     of awareness in     Member Societies  | increase prestige     increase recognition from international community   | Competition from similar national awards  |
| 7 | To encourage the formulation of international standards on Non-Destructive Testing in collaboration with the International Organisation for Standardization, and other standards bodies. | <ul> <li>History of cooperation with ISO TC135, ISO TC135 responsive to ICNDT</li> <li>ISO meetings frequently held in conjunction with WCNDT and Regional conferences</li> </ul>                                    | <ul> <li>Involvement with ISO largely limited to Certification</li> <li>Insufficient involvement with other standards bodies (eg aerospace, ASME)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>ICNDT now a Liaison member of TC108 (Condition monitoring standards)</li> <li>More joint ICNDT/ISO Workshops</li> <li>ICNDT reports as a service to ISO</li> <li>Input to sub Committees/ groups.</li> </ul> | Regional or local standards may conflict with ISO   |

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| 8 | To promote best practices in NDT and to encourage international harmonization in this area. | <ul> <li>Conference presentations/ interactions both WCNDT, Regional and national on special topics</li> <li>ICNDT Guide on Qualification and Certification –published</li> <li>ICNDT Guide on NDT Education published</li> <li>ICNDT Guide on NDT research published</li> <li>MRA &amp; PCB and Examination Question Bank launched</li> <li>Improve Certification Body accreditation/ approval process</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Lack of literature by ICNDT on best practices</li> <li>Insufficent knowledge and acceptance of MRA &amp; PCB and Examination Question Bank</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Additional Guides, including PCB/AQB/EC, Q+C for Condition Monitoring, NDT for Managers</li> <li>Coordination of Regional efforts</li> <li>Input to Wikipedia</li> <li>Extend/improve EQB</li> <li>Syllabus for NDT Engineer</li> <li>Promotion via Wikipedia</li> </ul> | Extended support from regions is essential – Regional MRA |

#### 5. AREAS FOR ICNDT ACTION

There are seven key areas for ICNDT action:

- i. Support for NDT Societies
- ii. Promotion of importance of NDT, better links to external bodies
- iii. NDT Qualification and Certification
- iv. NDT Education and NDT Research
- v. Radiation Safety and Security
- vi. Condition Monitoring & Technical Diagnostics
- vii. ICNDT Management & Administration

For each area an Action Plan is required.

#### 6. ACTION PLANS

Action Plans for the above six key areas are tabulated below. There is one additional Action Plan for ICNDT Management and Administration The tables show the Action proposed; the anticipated cost to ICNDT, supporting Societies; Working Groups/Committees/members/ individuals responsible and proposed completion dates.

Note Rev 9d as been retained on the website as a record of previous actions. Rev 10 deals only with on-going /new actions.

ICNDT members able to contribute to these actions are asked to advise the Secretariat.

#### **ACTION PLAN 1: SUPPORT NDT SOCIETIES**

Task Leader: J. Conte
 Group: Membership Committee: Joao Conte, Sajeesh Babu, Emilio Romero, Nori Ooka, David Gilbert, Sharon Bond, Alexander Mullin

|   | Action (What)   | Cost<br>(€) | Who?                          | When?    | Progress Remarks   | Exec<br>Decision |
|---|---|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|------------------|
| 1 | Set up series of ICNDT International Forums in conjunction with Conferences, General Assemblies, on sharing best practice. Collaborate with IAEA where appropriate.                             |             |                               |          |  |                  |
|   | a) Look for opportunity to engage with Central Asia societies   |             | Mullin and S K Babu           | Ongoing  | To keep in contact with central Asian societies and coordinate with APFNDT. One new member (Azerbaijan) and more members to follow | Ongoing          |
|   | b) Africa- support ACNDT conference in 2016   |             | IEC                           | Nov 2016 | Completed  |                  |
|   | c) International Forum at ASNT Fall conference  |             | IEC                           | Oct 2016 | Completed  |                  |
|   | d) International Forum at APCNDT  |             | IEC                           | 2017     | Completed  |                  |
|   | e) International Forum at Middle East NDT conference  |             | IEC                           | 2019     | Action not executed as<br>the days were<br>overlapping with<br>APCNDT seek new<br>oppurtunity                                      |                  |
| 2 | Enable ICNDT National Societies and committees to better demonstrate their recognition of the value of the support given by volunteers. Certificate created to recognise the work of Volunteers |             | IEC to promote more strongly. |          | Complete. Modified OP22 approved   |                  |
| 3 | Articles on Societies activities and development for ICNDT Journal  |             | Gilbert/ Bond                 | ongoing  |  |                  |

|   | Action (What)  | Cost<br>(€) | Who?                     | When?     | Progress Remarks  | Exec<br>Decision                                |
|---|--|-------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|---|
| 4 | Input to NDT.net to ensure references to ICNDT   |             | IEC – David Gilbert      | ongoing   | NDT.net input to be hand over to communications working group   |   |
| 5 | Organise a Survey MonkeyQuestionairre to seek views of Membership on how support can be best provided  |             | IEC – David Gilbert      | Nov 2017  | Discuss draft survey at IAC Meeting, ECNDT 2018   |   |
|   | Organise more frequent communication with members. Facebook? Email news?   |             | IEC- Sharon/Shoei/Pranay | Nov 2017  | A Facebook account has<br>been established for<br>ICNDT. It is necessary to<br>promote NDT societies to<br>join   |   |
| 6 | Nominate contacts as buddy/mentor to new societies for specific geographies/languages/cultures and publicise in the ICNDT Journal and on the website                     |             | Conte                    | Continues | Needs more attention<br>outside South and<br>Central America. ABENDI<br>is mentoring a fledgling<br>society in Angola.<br>Establish communication<br>with regional working<br>group/task group. | Clarify<br>responsibiliti<br>es with<br>Regions |
| 7 | Update the directory of National Societies, including the website of each association and promote a link with the ICNDT  |             | Conte/Bond/David         | Ongoing   | NDT member organization websites are reviewed annually. Any societies that do not currently have a link to the ICNDT website are encouraged to do so.   |   |
| 8 | Register entities that carry on some type of coordination of NDT activities in countries that do not have National Societies and encourage Associate Membership of ICNDT |             | Membership Committee     | Ongoing   | New associate member applications are being reviewed from Africa region   |   |

|    | Action (What)   | Cost<br>(€) | Who?                    | When?                   | Progress Remarks   | Exec<br>Decision      |
|----|---|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| 9  | Participate in NDT events promoted in each country to advertise the ICNDT activities and foster the participation of each national society    |             | All Executive Committee | Ongoing                 | Secretariat to contact members to provide the list of their national events to be published in ICNDT calendar. Societies should provide information about the conference |                       |
| 10 | Provide recommendations to encourage external operations of larger societies whilst fully recognising/and encouraging new/fledgling societies |             | Farley                  | Draft presented at PGP. | Recommendation to be published   | Next ICNDT<br>Journal |
| 11 | Prepare a NDT Society Operations Manual   |             | Conte                   | June 2018               | In progress  |                       |
| 12 | Support the small NDT societies to create Websites  |             | WG                      | Ongoing                 | Complete, System set-up  |                       |
| 13 | Encouragement of NDT Scoieties to develop e-learning & contribute to the national programs initiated by UNIDO, IAEA, ISO etc.                 |             |                         |                         | Proposed by Mr. Ferid<br>Herelli   |                       |

#### **ACTION PLAN 2: PROMOTION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF NDT**

Task Group Leader: D Gilbert
 Group: Communications (Journal/ Internet): David Gilbert, Sharon Bond, Stefan Culman, Shohei Ooka

|    | Action (What)  | Cost<br>(€)  | Who?  | When?                    | Progress remarks   | Exec<br>Decision  |
|----|--|--------------|---|--------------------------|--|---|
| 1  | Wider promotion of existing videos (JSNDI, ASNT, BINDT) via website  |              | Gilbert                                     | Complete                 | See 9 below  |   |
| 2  | Promote sessions at World and Regional Conferences on Case Studies which demonstrate the value of NDT  1. APCNDT 2. ECNDT 3. PANAM C NDT 4. 20 <sup>th</sup> WCNDT |              | SK Babu David Gilbert Joao Conte Younho Cho | Completed<br>In Progress | APCNDT update to IEC WCNDT update to IEC   | Confirm plan for 20 <sup>th</sup> WCNDT                   |
| 3. | Map multinational external bodies and websites that have interests in NDT and make them aware of ICNDT   | 3000<br>euro | IEC /<br>professional<br>support            |                          | Action to include additional bodies ( IIW).  | To be updated<br>by Tony<br>Wooldridge                    |
|    | Plan more proactive involvement in key external organisations (ISO, IIW, IAEA, CEOC International, ISCM, WCI, WNO)   |              | Nominate representatives                    |                          | IAEA, ISO, WINs, WCI,<br>ISCM under way – see<br>below; IIW to be<br>progressed; CEOC left<br>to EFNDT | IIW now urgent,<br>inc plan for 20 <sup>th</sup><br>WCNDT |
|    | Plan more proactive involvement with Regional groupings of NDT societies (AFNDT, APFNDT, EFNDT, PanAmFNDT).  |              | IEC   |                          | Underway. See Action plan 7.   |   |
|    | ISO –liason membership of TC135: NDT liason membership of TC108: Condition Monitoring  |              | Farley                                      | Complete<br>Complete     | Accepted ,April 2013 Rep nominated by CM Group (WG6) - Cesar Belinco?                                  | ISO to be contacted - MF                                  |
|    | IIW  |              | Alexander<br>Mullin                         | Nov 2017                 | MOU was signed with IIW Action to be followed  |   |

|    | Action (What)  | Cost<br>(€) | Who?  | When?                       | Progress remarks  | Exec<br>Decision                    |
|----|--|-------------|---|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
|    | IAEA: Review IAEA's activities and plans   |             | IEC   |                             | Continue to work with E-Learning (R Holstein)                               |                                     |
|    | CEOC International   |             |   |                             | (ivinoisiem)  | Liaison via<br>EFNDT                |
| 4  | Build on progress to date and establish an <i>upgraded</i> website, linked to members websites, to provide an intelligent NDT information portal.                        |             | SB/Working<br>Group                         | On-going development        | Some improvements made completed.   |                                     |
| 5. | Wikipedia - ensure quality input (English and other languages) and links to "approved" sites. Create ICNDT page.   |             | WG2   |                             |   |                                     |
|    | - Seek volunteer "champions" via ICNDT Journal and website, offer rewards/ payment?  |             | Gilbert                                     | On going                    | Group started work Paper by Pranay Wadyalkar shows importance of this task. | Request some priority given to this |
| 6. | Add NDT and Diagnostic Technologies as a strapline to our letter head  -  - Trial this without commitment  - Survey involvement of ICNDT members in condition monitoring |             | IEC Farley Gilbert/ Bond                    |                             | Done at Prague GA. Publicise in NDT Journal.                                |                                     |
| 9  | Prepare report on NDT for Managers – possible collaborator IAEA  |             | IEC/<br>professional<br>assistance (<br>MF) |                             | MF to discuss with IAEA again in Gothenburg                                 |                                     |
| 10 | Collaborate with BINDT action to assess total market and employment in NDT,CM and SHM  |             | IEC   | Delayed by<br>BINDT to 2019 |   |                                     |

**ACTION PLAN 3: QUALIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION** 

Task Group Leader: Alexander Mullin Task Group: WG1

| Document title        | Revision Date | Revised by | Scope of revision                         | Circulated to WG1 |
|-----------------------|---------------|------------|---|-------------------|
| WG1-03_Action<br>Plan | 19/10/2017    | A Mullin   | Reviewed and revised at Singapore meeting |                   |

|   | Action item / project   | Cost € | Who?                     | When?                                 | Progress / remarks  | IEC decision |
|---|---|--------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|--------------|
| X | COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATION  |        |                          |                                       |   |              |
| 1 | Regularly review and update the Group's objectives (this Action Plan).      | Nill   | WG1<br>Chairman          | at each physical meeting              | Updated after ICNDT GA 16.06.2016 in Munich   |              |
| 2 | Regularly review and update (if required) the Terms of reference            | Nill   | WG1<br>Chairman          | Ongoing task<br>(without<br>deadline) | ToR revision 2013-11-20 is valid.   |              |
| 3 | Periodically review and refresh membership to ensure global representation  | Nill   | WG1<br>Chairman          | Ongoing task<br>(without<br>deadline) | After Singapore meeting new members were approved: Diwakar D. Joshi (Indian Society for NDT) and Shohei Ooka (JSNDI, replaced Norikazu Ooka) Jingyuan Ji (ChSNDT) was reappointed |              |
| 4 | Define timetable for actions that should feed into the revision of ISO 9712 |        | WG1 chair/ D<br>Corcoran |                                       |   |              |
| A | COMMUNICATION AND KNOWLEDGE SHARING   |        |                          |                                       |   |              |

| A1   | Establish lines of communication with Qualification and Certification group(s) in ICNDT regions (Africa, Europe, America, Asia) with a view to co-ordination of activities.  Responsible WG1 member(s) to provide written report of regional meetings for circulation to WG1 members. | Nill | See remarks column                   | Ongoing task<br>(without<br>deadline) | Asia Pacific – S K Babu, P Milligan EFNDT – M Purschke, R Rodriguez Africa – H Jansen Pan-America - João Rufino Teles Filho, P.K. Yuen |
|------|---|------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| A2   | Seek , maintain or re-establish liaison and/or Observer status with relevant  |      |                                      |                                       |  |
|      | a). ISO TC135 SC7 and relevant WG   | Nill | M Farley<br>A Mullin                 | Ongoing task<br>(without<br>deadline) | ICNDT WG1 has official SC7 liaison status. ISO/TC 135/SC 7/WG 9 Revisions of training guidelines                                       |
|      | b). International Accreditation Forum (IAF).  | Nill | SK Babu                              | Ongoing task<br>(without<br>deadline) | SK Babu provides the liaison between ICNDT WG1 and IAF.  |
|      | c). ISO/CASCO WG30 (revising ISO/IEC 17024)   | Nill | SK Babu,<br>Nicole Banks<br>assists. | To be decided                         | To be discussed in Gothenburg  |
|      | d). ASME and similar bodies on NDT personnel qualification matters  | Nill | ASNT representative                  | Ongoing task<br>(without<br>deadline) | ASNT representative provides liaison   |
|      | e). International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)   | Nill | G Aufricht<br>R Holstein             | Ongoing task<br>(without<br>deadline) | Formal liaison with IAEA re-established with a view to co-operation on several matters.  See A3 below                                  |
| А3   | IAEA  |      |                                      |                                       |  |
| A3.1 | Plan programme of joint workshops   |      | M Farley                             | Ongoing task                          | Draft plan programme of joint workshops in cooperation with P Brisset  |
| A3.2 | Identify project ideas for global benefit   |      | M Farley                             | Ongoing task                          | Cooperate with P Brisset on this matter  |
| A4   | To keep up-to date directory of NDT personnel certification bodies, with scopes of compliance, numbers of persons certificated and certificates issued, etc.  | Nill | Tony<br>Wooldridge                   | Ongoing task<br>(without<br>deadline) | Directory published on the ICNDT web site should be kept up-to-date.   |
| A5   | Provide assistance for developing countries seeking to establish national certification schemes.  | Nill | P Milligan                           | Upon request                          | Procedure published in ICNDT Guide. Update if needed   |

| A6  | Plan and organise a regular (annual or biennial) workshop on qualification and certification topics, inviting guest speakers with specialist knowledge/experience | Nill | WG1<br>Chairman                   | completed  | Date and place of Q&C workshop to be discussed in Gothenburg   |
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| A7  | Provide new and interesting material on qualification and certification in order to keep the ICNDT website updated.   | Nill | D Gilbert /<br>WG1<br>Chairman    | Ongoing task<br>(without<br>deadline)                | WG1 members are responsible to forwarding matters of interest through WG1 chairman to D Gilbert                  |
| A8  | Identify possibility to create unified body of knowledge based on gap analysis between TR 25107, CP106 and Tec.Doc 628  | Nill | S K Babu                          | Awaiting<br>developments in<br>ISO TC 135 SC7<br>WG9 | ISO is proceeding with revision of TR 25107, under WG9 of SC7. ICNDT should participate in particular subgroups. |
| A9  | Organise periodical meetings with ASNT to discuss personnel certification matters   | Nill | WG1<br>Chairman<br>M Farley       | Ongoing task   | Next meeting is to be decided  |
| A10 | Seek opportunities for engagement in the Middle East, including organising a WG1 meeting and workshop at a conference there.                                      | Nill | WG1<br>Chairman<br>M Farley       | Ongoing task   | Suspended  |
| A11 | Establish liaison with ICNDT WG6 in terms of CM personnel certification   | Nill | P Milligan                        | Ongoing task   |  |
| В   | GLOBAL HARMONISATION AND RECOGNITION  |      |                                   |  |  |
| B1  | Review and update the ICNDT Guide and Recommendations on NDT personnel Qualification and Certification.   | Nill | D Gilbert,<br>WG1<br>members      | Ongoing task   | ICNDT Guide to Qualification and Certification has been updated and published in June 2016 to WCNDT 2016         |
| B2  | Participation in maintaining of ICNDT Examination question bank (EQB)   | Nill | WG1<br>members                    | Ongoing task   | Functions of WG1 are defined in OP-23.   |
| В3  | Develop the table of ISO standards used for NDT of different products.  | Nill | WG1<br>Chairman<br>WG1<br>members | Ongoing task   | Table should be kept up-to-date.   |
| B4  | Consider substitution renewal by recertification  | Nill | R Holstein                        | Ongoing task   | ICNDT now inputting to relevant ISO TC135 SC7 Task Group. Survey of WG1 to be carried out.                       |

| B5  | Clarification of functions and responsibilities of Certification body – Authorised Qualification body – Examination center                              | Nill | WG1<br>Chairman<br>WG1<br>members | as required  | ICNDT now inputting to relevant ISO TC135 SC7 Task Group   |               |
|-----|---|------|-----------------------------------|--------------|--|---------------|
| В6  | Prepare ICNDT guidelines on the impact of Human Factors on reliability of NDT executed by certificated personnel.                                       | Nill | TBD                               | Ongoing task | Action suspended as ICNDT International Specialist Group on the same matter is going to be created To be considered further in the light of the ICNDT workshop in Singapore. |               |
| В7  | Survey of job-specific training and certification being carried out to supplement ASNT and ISO 9712 certification                                       | Nill | H Jansen                          | Ongoing task | To be discussed in Gothenburg  |               |
| В8  | Discussion on how to deal with "experience requirements" in ISO 9712 leading to recommendations to ISO TC 135 SC7                                       | Nill | K Arcus                           | Ongoing task | To be discussed in Gothenburg  |               |
| В9  | Develop recommendation for grading of practical examination.  | Nill | WG1<br>Chairman<br>WG1<br>members | Ongoing task | To be discussed in Gothenburg  |               |
| B10 | Review and update the ICNDT Guide and Recommendations on NDT personnel Qualification and Certification.   | Nill | D Gilbert,<br>WG1<br>members      | Completed    | Complete. ICNDT Guide to Qualification and Certification has been updated and published in June 2016 to WCNDT 2016,  | To be Deleted |
| B11 | Interpretation of ISO 9712:2012 Table D.1 "Guidance on the percentile weighting for practical examination of Levels 1 and 2" for different NDT methods. | Nill | Nicole Banks                      | Ongoing task | Discussed in Singapore, November 2017. Continues   |               |
| B12 | Harmonisation and recognition - risk and opportunity analysis   | Nill | PK Yuen                           | Ongoing task | To be discussed in Gothenburg  |               |
| B13 | Review options for training and certification in civil engineering and opportunities for ICNDT to add value   | Nill | WG1<br>Chairman<br>WG1<br>members | Ongoing task | Organize review of certification in civil engineering among PCBs   |               |
| B14 | Discuss if NDT Societies/PCBs could assess and approve employers' certification to ICNDT requirements   | Nill | Vitaly Radko                      | Completed    | To be discussed in Gothenburg  |               |
| B15 | Discuss if NDT Societies/PCBs could establish an expert group to oversee the inspection qualification activities  | Nill | Rodolfo<br>Rodriguez              | Ongoing      | Revised questionairre being issued (May 2018)  |               |

| B16 | Discuss possibility to set up a register of approved independent L3's (or CM Category 3s or 4s) with available to control NDT/CM activities on-site | Nill | WG1<br>Chairman                        | November 2017 | Discussed in Singapore, November 2017  |  |
|-----|---|------|--|---------------|--|--|
| B17 | Develop Recommendations for improvement of ISO 9712   | Nill | WG1<br>Chairman<br>WG1<br>members      | Completed     | Recommendations submitted to SC7 and considered in Singapore   |  |
| B18 | Participation in ISO 9712 revision process  | Nill | A Mullin<br>M Farley<br>WG1<br>members | 2020          | ICNDT is represented on each of the ISO TC135 SC7 Task Groups set up to consider the comments submitted. Further actions to be discussed in Gothenburg |  |
| B19 | Clarification of surveillance for ISO 9712 particular case  | Nill | Vitaly Radko                           | Ongoing task  | To be discussed in Gothenburg  |  |

#### **ACTION PLAN 3B: Certification Executive Committee**

■ Chair: Harold Jansen (from June 2016) Vice-Chair: Secretariat: Tony Wooldridge

• Members: Gerhard Aufricht (alternate Idinger), Matthias Purschke, Alexander Mullin, Harold Jansen, Nori Ooka, Joao Rufino Teles

|                   | Action item / project   | Cost€ | Who?                 | When?                               | Progress / remarks  | IEC decision |
|-------------------|---|-------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|---|--------------|
| 001<br>2012-04-15 | Contact all ICNDT members with the following aims:  Request signature on Schedule 1 of MRA  Survey expected signing of MRA and requests for assessment of PCB where accreditation unavailable.  Survey extended to include PCB CA and EQB systems Promote registration of PCBs with the MRA, esp Europe Need focus on countries | Nil   | Wooldridge           | Completed.                          | At 24/05/2018 44 signatures of Sch 1 and 15 Sch 2 registrations complete  |              |
| 002<br>2012-04-15 | Maintain Business Plan for MRA PCBA and EQB   | Nil   | Wooldridge           | Completed                           |   |              |
| 003<br>2012-04-15 | Establish Assessor Register and arrange assessor training at next regional conference   | Nil   | Wooldridge<br>Jansen | Initiated<br>2012-07-18<br>Ongoing. | Six assessors (three lead, three support) were agreed at Zagreb.  Additional Lead Assessor appointed for ABENDI ausit |              |
| 004               | OP 24 – Complaints and appeals (extracted from appendix in Issue 1 of OP19 but ow covering all ICEC activities)   |       | Wooldridge           | Published                           | Approved  |              |

|     | Action item / project   | Cost€           | Who?                     | When?   | Progress / remarks  | IEC<br>decision |
|-----|---|-----------------|--------------------------|---------|---|-----------------|
| 005 | OP23 (EQB): Plan for future development – adding and modifying questions, database software, etc) |                 | Wooldridge               | Pending | Questionairre circulated and analysed.  |                 |
| 006 | Development of EQB, taking account of results of Questionairre.  Add Questions on Phased Arrays?  | Refer<br>Budget | S K Babu / G<br>Aufricht |         | Working Group led by Tony Wooldridge set up to review recommendations  Further discussion at meeting in Gothenburg. |                 |

#### **ACTION PLAN 4: EDUCATION AND RESEARCH**

Task GroupChairs: Prof. Younho Cho Korean Society for NDT

Group: WG 3:

Dr. Manfred Johannes SAINT South Africa (Retiring, year-end)

Ekaterina Cheprasova Russian Society for NDT Russia

Prof. Vjera Krstelj Croatian NDT Society Croatia

Mr. Harold Jansen SAIW South Africa

Prof. Marc Kreutzbruck University of Stuttgart Germany

Kevin Smith ASNT USA

Prof Uwe Ewert BAM Germany

Tony Erhard Germany Vice-Chair??

Prof Robert Smith/ Keith Newton BINDT? UK

Dr Serge Dos Santos INSA, COFREND France

Prof Norbert Meyendorf Iowa State University, WFNDEC

Prof Krishnan Balasubraman ISNT India

ANO India

Prof C.Xu China

|   | Action (What)   | Cost (€) | Who?                                    | When?                                       | Progress/ Remarks   | IEC Decision |
|---|---|----------|---|---|---|--------------|
| 1 | Set up a plan of meetings to be held – at least one physical meeting/year and one internet meeting  |          | IEC                                     |   | Meeting in Gothenburg   |              |
|   | 2017 – APCNDT   |          |   |   |   |              |
|   | 2018 – ECNDT  |          |   |   |   |              |
|   | 2019 – QNDE?  |          |   |   |   |              |
|   | 2020 - WCNDT  |          |   |   |   |              |
|   |   |          |   |   |   |              |
| 2 | Set up biennial meeting of bodies interested in the "research agenda" in NDT along lines of Durban workshop, including IIW, IAEA and NDT AcademiaASME PVP, PRCI, EPRI NDE Centre, IIW                       |          | Manfred Johannes                        | 1 <sup>st</sup> held at<br>ECNDT<br>Prague  | Seek to arrange joint workshop<br>with IIW at WCNDT. Contact<br>Eric Sjerve, Chair Commission V.<br>-MF   |              |
| 3 | Continue to promote register of NDT Research Bodies on ICNDT website, with target of 20 bodies by year-end  |          | Younho Cho/<br>professional<br>support? | Pec 2016  ?? await progress on above action | 3 bodies are registered at this moment  |              |
| 4 | Update of ICNDT Guide on Education in NDT  Draw up a list of Universities organising courses in NDT and CM categorising them as in the guide  Draw up list of NDT text-books with commentary on their level |          | ?<br>David Gilbert                      | 2018  | Update of ICNDT Guide on Education in NDT - tie up with WFNDEC Balasubraman Promote via ICNDT GA Y Cho/A Erhard  Share DGZfP list. Ask other ICNDT members Y Cho/A Erhard |              |
| 5 | Promote ICNDT Guide on NDT Research   |          | Farley                                  |   | Complete  |              |

|   | Action (What)  | Cost (€) | Who?  | When? | Progress/ Remarks  | IEC Decision |
|---|--|----------|---|-------|--|--------------|
| 6 | Sponsor International Specialist Groups, each hosted by a Member or other organisation |          |   |       | Websites pages to be set up. Organise Session for each group at 20 <sup>th</sup> WCNDT Y Cho Action list for secretariat to be agreed at WG3 meeting in Gothenburg |              |
|   | Full matrix capture  |          | BINDT   |       |  |              |
|   | Teraherz imaging   |          | BINDT   |       |  |              |
|   | Microwave  |          | ASNT  |       |  |              |
|   | Magnetic memory  |          | Hungarian<br>Association for NDT<br>Nondestructive<br>Testing BINDT |       |  |              |
|   | NDT of Art   |          | BINDT   |       |  |              |
|   | NDT reliability  |          | DGZFP   |       |  |              |
|   | Non linear UT  |          | DGZFP   |       |  |              |
|   | Guided Wave Ultrasound   |          | KSNT  |       |  |              |
|   | Automotive composites  |          | BINDT   |       |  |              |

|    | Action (What)   | Cost (€) | Who?              | When? | Progress/ Remarks   | IEC Decision |
|----|---|----------|-------------------|-------|---|--------------|
|    |   |          |                   |       |   |              |
| 7  | ICNDT Guide on importance of NDT and NDT research Promote more widely                                       |          |                   |       | Based on Prague workshop. Published 2015. Consider update in two years. |              |
| 8  | NDT Academia Set up web-place on ICNDT site for advertising of Professorships, Fellowships and Studentships |          | Secretariat       |       | Action abandonded   |              |
| 9  | WFNDEC Maintain link  |          | Norbert Meyendorf |       |   |              |
| 10 |   |          |                   |       |   |              |

## **ACTION PLAN 5: Radiation safety and protection**

**Chair:** Matthias Purschke **Group:** Ms Barbara Solter/ Etienne Martin/

| 5.1 | Liaison and support to IAEA- providing advice on behalf of the wider NDT industries  |  |   |  |
|-----|--|--|---|--|
| 5.2 | Liaison with WINS related to security of Radioactive sources   |  |   |  |
| 5.3 | Liaison with WCI   |  |   |  |
|     | Decision needed on opportunity to present a paper<br>at International Conference on Isotope (ICI) with<br>the emphasis on the use of isotopes in NDT." |  | Opportunity to be determined by SK Babu |  |

#### **ACTION PLAN 6: Condition Monitoring**

Co -chairs: Cesar Belinco and Prof Len Gelman (ISCM) Sec: David Gilbert/Cindy Bailey

Group: Paul Rand(AINDT, alternate Peter Milligan); Dr. Gábor Pór (Marovitz Hungary), Florian Raddatz / Jens Prager (DGZfP); Dr Peter Tscheliesnig (OGZfP); Prof WonTae Kim (KSNT, alternate Prof Younho Cho); Prof Mehdi Behzad (Sharif University of Technology, IRNDT TBC), Nadine Martin (ISCM), Leon Swedrovski(ISCM); Aleramo Lucifredi (University of Genoa, ISCM); Renata Klein (RK Diagnostics, ISCM). Corresponding members: Cameron Sinclair, Lars Schubert.

#### Status of Action Plan: to be updated by new co-chair

|   | Action (What)   | Cost (€) | Who?   | When?  | Progress/ Remarks   | IEC Decision |
|---|---|----------|--|--|---|--------------|
| 1 | Conferences and Workshops   |          |  |  |   |              |
|   | a. 19 <sup>th</sup> WCNDT Munich 2016 – encourage CM participation  |          | LG/TC and members                              |  | Complete  | N/A          |
|   | b. Workshop on CM education and certification   |          |  |  | Munich Workshop combined with NDT and focussed on elearning |              |
|   | c. ICNDT Workshop at ISCM in Paris 10- 12 Oct 2016  |          | TC   |  | Topic?  |              |
|   | <ul> <li>d. ISCM World Conference in London, UK in13-16 June 2017 (+CM/NDT cross-forum) –group to support event</li> <li>e. ICNDT Workshop?</li> </ul>  |          | All  | Action mid<br>2016                                     |   |              |
|   | f. 20th WCNDT Korea 2020 – seek strong CM participation   |          | TC/Wontae Kim                                  | Meeting in<br>Seoul in<br>August 2016                  | Meeting completed   |              |
| 2 | Create register of research organisations in CM and Diagnostic technologies – circulate proforma to collect info and publish on ICNDT and ISCM websites |          | David Gilbert                                  | ASAP   |   |              |
|   | Create related Glossary of Terms (CM, PM, SH, DT) referencing ASTM's  |          | Florian<br>Raddatz /TC/<br>Cameron<br>Sinclair | Target<br>completion for<br>ASNT<br>conference<br>2015 |   |              |

|   | Action (What)   | Cost (€) | Who?   | When?  | Progress/ Remarks  | IEC Decision |
|---|---|----------|--|--|--|--------------|
| 3 | ICNDT/ ISCM Guide to Certification in NDT (and Condition Monitoring) -  |          | Peter Milligan/<br>Peter<br>Tscheliesnig/<br>Terry Clausing/ | Target<br>completion for<br>ASNT<br>conference<br>2015 | Published June 2016.   |              |
|   | Survey members about training and certification in CM different countries   |          | Peter Milligan/<br>Wendy Poole<br>(BINDT)                    | ASAP   |  |              |
| 4 | ICNDT Guide to Education in CM and DT – the workshop in 1b will be designed to collect information and produce Guide.  Volunteer author needed or need approval to incur cost | ??       | TC/LG/ Gabor<br>Por  | Action fto follow 3b.                                  |  |              |
|   | Prepare a paper for the two Certification committees in ISO recommending that at Level 3 awareness of the other should be included as a topic.                                |          | LG   | Action for 2016  |  |              |
| 5 | Representation on ISO TC 108 SC Condition Monitoring -  |          | TC/WTK   | Mtg in Sydney<br>March 2016<br>Next mtg: ??            | Terry Clausing nominated.<br>alternate is Prof Wontae Kim  |              |
| 6 | CM/NDT Publications – review existing publications and needs  |          |  |  | ???  |              |
|   | International Journal of CM –internet publication, free to members of ISCM and BINDT  |          | LG   | 2016   | WG to organise a special issue on NDT for the CM community                                       |              |
|   |   |          | <b>DG</b> /LG  | 2015   | Consider model of availability   |              |
|   | Insight –annual August issue  |          | DG   | By Dec 2015  | WG to initiate papers on CM for an NDT audience  |              |
|   | Condition Monitor –digital publication  |          | DG   |  | Consider using for "NDT for Condition Moitoring community" articles                              |              |
|   | On-line journal Case Studies in NDT (ed Bernd Kohler)   |          | Florian Raddatz  |  | Seek opportunities for papers to demonstrate value of CM bothin this Journal and above Journals. |              |

|    | Action (What)   | Cost (€) | Who?     | When? | Progress/ Remarks  | IEC Decision                                |
|----|---|----------|----------|-------|--|---|
| 7  | CM/NDT CPD (Continuous Professional Development)  |          | LG/TC    | 2016  | Action to be considered in the light of 1b  Need for CPD for CM trainers to be considered. |   |
| 8  | CM/NDT joint grant application with ICNDT/ISCM involvement as a dissemination partner (eg EU Project Horizon) |          | All      |       | Agreed to be open for ideas  | No<br>commitment<br>without IEC<br>approval |
| 9  | Joint CM/NDT cross-forums: plan first for ISCM World Conference in 2017.                                      |          | LG/TC    | 2016  |  |   |
| 10 | Review of need for Standards for on-line monitoring   |          |          |       | Actions to be considered at next meeting   |   |
| 11 | Administration- circulate updated joint TOR incorporating refs to ISCM and SHM.                               | Aug 2015 | MF/LG/TC |       | Sent to TC/LG 22/04/2016,  |   |

## **ACTION PLAN 7: ICNDT Management and Administration**

Chair: Sajeesh Kumar Babu Group: Mike Farley, Gerhard Aufricht, , David Gilbert

|   | Action (What)   | Cost (€) | Who?                            | When?                                     | Progress/ Remarks   | IEC Decision |
|---|---|----------|---------------------------------|---|---|--------------|
| 1 | Clarify responsibilities of the officers  | Nil      | Farley, Group                   | Oct 2016                                  | Completed by new Operating Procedures                                       |              |
| 2 | Clarify and publish structure (and membership) on the website  Further update to reflect new organisation                       | Nil      | Farley, Gilbert Farley, Gilbert | June 2018                                 | MF<br>MF/DG   |              |
| 3 |   |          |                                 |   |   |              |
| 4 | Prepare a four-year timeline to assist management of actions  | Nil      | S K Babu,<br>Gilbert            | July 2016                                 | Complete and circulated to IEC.   |              |
|   |   |          | Farley                          | Completed                                 | Needs update to reflect new OP on fees                                      |              |
| 5 | Review and update Operating Procedures  | Nil      | Group                           | Completed                                 | Action complete.  |              |
| 6 | Revise organisation and fee structure to improve coordination with Regional Groups  1. update of constitution 2. updates of OPs | Nil      | Farley +IEC                     | Completed                                 | Approved by membership and to<br>be implemented at GA in<br>Gothenburg 2018 |              |
| 7 | Review responsibilities of Secretariat and other supporting Member Societies  |          | Group                           | 2018                                      | Necessary in view of change role of David Gilbert at BINDT                  |              |
| 8 | Review the share of activities and responsibilities between ICNDT and Regions   |          | ICNDT Advisory<br>Committee     | Commence<br>June 14 <sup>th</sup><br>2018 | Necessary to implement the intent of the new Constitution and fee structure |              |

#### 7. SUMMARY

A thorough review of ICNDT's activities and the opportunities has been completed. Key strategies have been identified and Action Plans drawn up with the immediate priorities being those "quick-wins" which can be achieved at modest cost.

The Strategic Plan is a "live-document". It will be subject to further elaboration and remains open for comment and revision by the Membership through the General Assembly and Policy and General Purposes Committee..

#### 8. ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Chairman and Executive Committee thank the individuals who have given time and effort to the preparation of this plan by their participation in meetings and drafting work.

#### 9. FURTHER INFORMATION

Please contact the ICNDT Secretariat (david.gilbert@bindt.org).