



EUROLAB General Assembly 2019 & TCQA meeting 9-10 May 2019, Prague

The European Federation of National Associations of Measurement, Testing and Analytical Laboratories (EUROLAB) held elections to the Board of Administrators, including the re-election of five Board Members, the EUROLAB Vice-President & representative of Associated Members as well as the election of one new Board Member.



The EUROLAB General Assembly and Annual Meetings 2019 took place in Prague, on 9 and 10 May 2019 and were kindly hosted by EUROLAB-CZ.

The EUROLAB events started on Thursday morning with the TCQA meeting, which was opened by the newly re-elected Chair, Irache Visiers.

The following topics were discussed during the meeting:

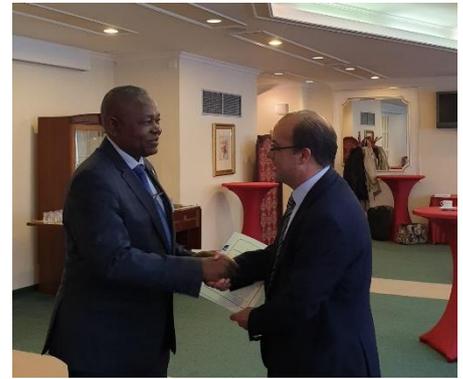
- TCQA Strategy, including TCQA new documents & projects: *Survey on new ISO/IEC 17025 conflict points*, *Position Paper on Risk Approach* which has been published, *GDPR Cook Book* (soon to be published), *Decision rules applied to calibration and measurement capabilities (CMCs)* & *Method validation in calibration* (to be drafted);
- The EUROLAB Cookbooks & the communication strategy to promote the added value and use of the documents as well as the translations in different languages;
- TCQA actions in relation to accreditation and standardisation issues - ILAC-LC Case Studies.

The TCQA meeting was followed in the evening by the EUROLAB Gala Dinner where all the guests and participants were kindly invited by EUROLAB-CZ, which gave also the opportunity to present and network with some of the EUROLAB-CZ members.

The EUROLAB Board meeting took place on Friday, 10 May and was followed by the EUROLAB General Assembly. During the successful meeting, the EUROLAB Members raised and discussed several important topics:

- The EUROLAB objectives, strategy and actions for 2019-2020;

- EUROLAB membership enlargement
 - EUROLAB welcomes ASCOLAB as an International Affiliate member and looks forward to exploring future collaboration opportunities on joint issues of interest.
- Cooperation with other stakeholders, amongst others:
 - Collaboration and EUROLAB membership within the newly created organisation 'The TIC Council' (formerly known as CEOC and IFIA);
 - IMEKO Conference Testing, Diagnostics & Inspection as a comprehensive value chain for Quality & Safety, which will be jointly organised with EUROLAB;
 - Future collaboration and participation at the events of NLA-SA, EURAMET & EURACHEM.
 - Future projects on NDT in cooperation with EFNDT and possible closer collaboration through an MoU.
- Policy updates on various on-going legislative developments, including: Medical Devices, Environment, Cybersecurity, Food, priority focus areas which EUROLAB is following.
- EUROLAB communications strategy, including a new and more interactive approach of EUROLAB to its communications materials: new website, newsletter, presentations and the EUROLAB video presentation;
- NLA South Africa project MetCert - Metrology Certification
- EUROLAB upcoming events:
 - EUROLAB National Members' Meeting 2019, 16-18 October, Toledo
 - EUROLAB General Assembly & Anniversary events 2020, 6-8 May, Madeira



Victor Kanama Viki Mbuya, ASCOLAB President & Álvaro S. Ribeiro, EUROLAB President

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John Wilson, Vice-Chairman NLA-SA

The EUROLAB Members:

- **re-elected the following Board Members:**
 - Ewa Bulska, POLLAB
 - José-Luis Sanchez, EUROLAB-Spain
 - Alexander Šafařík-Pštroš, EUROLAB-CZ
 - Kurt Ziegler, EUROLAB-Germany
 - Paolo Moscatti, ALPI
- **re-elected the Vice-President**
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- **re-elected the Representative of Associated Members**
 - Ömer Güzel, TURKLAB
- **elected a new Board Member:**
 - Tony Smith, BMTA

The EUROLAB General Assembly 2019 concluded with thank you remarks addressed by the President, Álvaro Silva Ribeiro, to all participants and to EUROLAB-CZ and its team for the great organisation of the successful EUROLAB events in Prague.

