

LIST OF RESOLUTIONS PROPOSED AT THE 24th EA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

25 & 26 NOVEMBER 2009

BRUGES, BELGIUM

EA Resolution 2009 (24) 01

The General Assembly ratifies the results of the electronic ballots completed since the last General Assembly meeting according to Document EA/GA(09)56.

EA Resolution 2009 (24) 02

The General Assembly agrees to:

- amend the Articles of Association in accordance with the draft prepared by the limited liability company organised under the laws of the Netherlands:
 CMS Derks Star Busmann N.V., with corporate seat in Utrecht, characterised: EA/EX09)99, which draft is to anyone's disposal at the meeting
- authorise each member of the Executive Committee of the association, as well as Mr. Jan Carel van der Poel, born on April, 23, 1951 and each of the candidate civil-law notaries and notarial assistants employed by CMS Derks Star Busmann N.V., aforementioned, to have the notarial deed of amendment of Articles of Association executed and to perform all other legal acts which the attorney deems necessary in respect of the foregoing.

EA resolution 2009 (24) 03

Under the exemption clause in revised Article 4 of the Articles of Association, the membership status of an EA Full Member not appointed as the legally appointed national accreditation body is maintained unless otherwise informed by the Member State or the EC but no longer than to the EA GA meeting of May 2010.

EA Resolution 2009 (24) 04

The General Assembly endorses the adoption of the EA Policy for Relations with Stakeholders as defined in EA-1/15 and the annexed template for recognized stakeholder agreement.

EA Resolution 2009 (24) 05

The General Assembly agrees to the transfer of the EA full membership status jointly from German accreditation bodies DKD and DGA to the legal entity named DAkkS (Deutsche Akkreditierungsstelle GmbH). The date of transfer is to be determined by the Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology (BMWi) and notified to EA in advance.

EA Resolution 2009 (24) 06

The General Assembly mandates the Executive Committee to ensure that the human resources of the EA Secretariat in Paris are appropriate for the expected workload for 2010 and within the overall budget, taking into account the outcome of the strategic discussions planned to take place in January 2010 in connection with the Executive Committee meeting.

EA Resolution 2009 (24) 07

The General Assembly approves the proposals outlined in Document EA/GA(09)46 for recognition by EA of non-European ABs meeting the requirements of European Regulation 765/08 and agrees the establishment of a working group under the Executive Committee to consider the detail and to report back with a plan at the May 2010 General Assembly.

EA Resolution 2009 (24) 08

The General Assembly endorses the recommendation by the EA MAC to accept DAK, Kosovo, under the UNSC Resolution 1244/1999, as a signatory to a contract of cooperation with EA.

EA Resolution 2009 (24) 09

The General Assembly endorses the recommendation by the EA MAC to accept GAC, Georgia as a signatory to a contract of cooperation with EA.

EA Resolution 2009 (24) 10

The General Assembly agrees the policy that:

National Accreditation Bodies should not carry out assessments of bodies that seek to become Notified Bodies, when that assessment is being used by competent authorities as an alternative to the use of accreditation for determining the competence of the body, and, where National Authorities require the continuation of the use of the services of the NAB without recourse to accreditation, a transition period should be agreed between the NAB and the National Authorities after which this practice should stop and only accreditation be used.

EA Resolution 2009 (24) 11

The General Assembly endorses an Executive Committee new work item (as supported by the EA Advisory Board) to investigate further the potential introduction of a European accreditation symbol by considering the issues outlined in Document EA/GA(09)44.

EA Resolution 2009 (24) 12

The General Assembly resolves to disband the remaining sub-project groups (SP 1 & 5) and transfer their activities to the relevant EA committees.

EA Resolution 2009 (24) 13

The General Assembly ratifies the Work Programme for 2010 together with its Annex, the estimated related budget, as already submitted by the Executive Committee to the European Commission in accordance with the draft Framework Partnership Agreement (Document EA/GA(09)34).

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The General Assembly endorses the Executive Committee's response to the Financial Oversight Committee's report on EA 2008 accounts (Document EX/EA(09)89).

EA Resolution 2009 (24) 15

The General Assembly approves the EA Budget 2010 (Document EA/EX(09)56) on the assumption that the Work Programme 2010 and related budget estimate is accepted by the European Commission.

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The General Assembly approves the fee schedule for 2010 (Document EA/EX(09)88 rev2).

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The General Assembly approves the 2010 Work Programme of the EA MLA Council (Document EA/GA(09)65).

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The General Assembly approves the 2010 Work Programme of the Horizontal Harmonisation Committee (Document EA/GA(09)66).

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The General Assembly approves the 2010 Work Programme of the Communications and Publications Committee as outlined in the CPC report EA/GA(09)49.

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The General Assembly endorses the terms of reference of the Laboratory Committee Management Group.

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The General Assembly endorses the terms of reference of the Laboratory Committee Technical Networks.

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The General Assembly approves the 2010 Work Programme of the Laboratory Committee (Document EA/GA(09)64).

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The General Assembly endorses:

- The revised terms of reference of the new umbrella Certification Committee WG Environment combining the existing WGs EMS and GHG (EA/GA(09)58)
- The appointment of Andrew Marlow from UKAS as the convenor of the WG Environment.

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The General Assembly endorses the appointment of Pamela Beha from UKAS as the convenor of the Certification Committee WG Food, acknowledging the need for setting out the terms of reference of the working group.

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The General Assembly endorses a Certification Committee new work item (as supported by the EA Advisory Board) on the drafting of a guidance on scopes for accreditation of organic production certification (Document EA/GA(09)35).

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Upon recommendation by the Certification Committee, the General Assembly endorses that:

- a. The accreditation and supervision of environmental verifiers as CABs (Conformity Assessment Bodies) under the EMAS III Regulation shall be carried out in accordance with ISO / IEC 17021:2006 (as the harmonized standard) with the additional requirements of the EMAS III Regulation and relevant EA, IAF and FAB Guidance;
- b. The accreditation of natural persons that are not legal entities does not comply with the above recommendation.

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The General Assembly endorses the recommendation by the Certification Committee to withdraw EA-9/01: EA Guidelines for the Application of EN 45503 following the standard's withdrawal by CEN.

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The General Assembly approves the 2010 Work Programme of the Certification Committee (Document EA/GA(09)60).

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The General Assembly approves the 2010 Work Programme of the Inspection Committee (Document EA/GA(09)63).

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The General Assembly confirms that the next meetings will take place:

- on 20-21 May 2010 in Zürich, Switzerland
- on 24-25 November 2010 in Budva, Montenegro
- May-June 2011 in Berlin, Germany

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The General Assembly expresses its appreciation for the superb arrangements and support services provided by BELAC for the 24th General Assembly and related meetings, 24-26 November 2009.

End of resolutions proposed at the 24th EA General Assembly.