

<b>Agenda Item 8</b>	
<b>Resolutions of the 56th EA GA</b>	
<b>EAGA(24)11-10</b>	
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## RESOLUTIONS OF THE 56<sup>th</sup> EA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

**20-21 NOVEMBER 2024**

### ***EA Resolution 2024 (56) 01***

The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation of the Executive Board, decides with immediate effect and in accordance with Article 6 of the Articles of Association and paragraph 4 of EA-1/17 Supplement 5 - *Levying of Membership Fees* to terminate the membership of JAS-AU in EA, because the membership fee 2024 has not been paid.

### ***EA Resolution 2024 (56) 02***

The General Assembly elects Matt Gantley (UKAS) as member of the Financial Oversight Committee for the year 2025.

### ***EA Resolution 2024 (56) 03***

The General Assembly, acting upon recommendation from the Executive Board, endorses the revised membership fee schedule for 2025 (Document EAGA(24)11-C-14).

### ***EA Resolution 2024 (56) 04***

The General Assembly, acting upon recommendation from the Executive Board, mandates the Secretariat to elaborate a new EA-3/01 Supplement 2 *Rules on the use of the EA MLA mark in the UK* - based on EA-3/01 S1 - in order to meet the specific provision required by the UK Intellectual Property Office for the EA MLA mark to be successfully registered in the UK.

In derogation from EA-1/14 *Procedure for development and approval of EA documents and adoption of ILAC/IAF documents*, the General Assembly gives mandate to the HHC Chair for approving the new document and for any revision needed to comply with the requirements of the UK Intellectual Property Office. EA-3/01 Supplement 2 will be attached to the EA application for the registration of the EA MLA mark in the UK.

### ***EA Resolution 2024 (56) 05***

The General Assembly, acting upon recommendation from the Technical Management Board, agrees that the Technical Committees shall define the content of scopes of accreditation for each new EU legislation.

The defined scopes of accreditation shall be deemed first as best practice. The TMB shall evaluate after 2 years whether better harmonisation of the content of accreditation scopes could be achieved. In case that no progress has been made, the TMB shall propose further actions.

### ***EA Resolution 2024 (56) 06***

The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation of the Technical Management Board, endorses the mandatory application of the following document, issued by the European Commission / Joint Research Centre: *European Quality Assurance Scheme for Breast Cancer Services; Version 1 September 2024*.

This scheme shall be applied for the accreditation of Conformity Assessment Bodies under the European Commission Initiative on Breast Cancer.

### **EA Resolution 2024 (56) 07**

The General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the Certification Committee, resolves that the transitional arrangement for the revision of ISO 55001 “*Asset management — Asset management system — Requirements*” be three years from the last day of the month of publication of the revised standard (31 July 2027). All ISO 55001:2014 certifications shall expire or be withdrawn at the end of the transition period.

Within this transition timeline:

- NABs shall be ready to carry out transition assessments for ISO 55001:2024 within 18 months from the last day of the month of publication of the revised standard (31 January 2026).
- CABs shall complete the transition with NABs for ISO 55001:2024 within 24 months from the last day of the month of publication of the revised standard (31 July 2026).
- CABs shall cease conducting initial and recertification audits to ISO 55001:2014 24 months from the last day of the month of publication of the revised standard (31 July 2026).
- CABs shall have completed all transitions of certified clients 36 months from the last day of the month of publication of the revised standard (31 July 2027).

### **EA Resolution 2024 (56) 08**

The General Assembly ratifies the results of the electronic ballots completed since the General Assembly meeting held in May 2024 according to Document EAGA(24)11-09.

### **EA Resolution 2024 (56) 09**

The General Assembly adopts the following IAF resolutions adopted at the IAF 38<sup>th</sup> Annual General Assembly on 8 and 10 October 2024, as applicable to EA and its members:

**IAF Resolution 2024-18** – (Agenda Item 8.1) **Use of ISO/IEC 17029 in Accreditation** - *The General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the Technical Committee, resolved that ISO/IEC 17029 shall be applied by ABs with a sector-specific validation/verification programme(s). If the programme concerns environmental information, ISO 14065 shall be applied (ref IAF GA38\_8.1).*

**IAF Resolution 2024-19** – (Agenda Item 8.1) **Non-accredited Validation and Verification, where the VVB is Accredited for the Same Scope** - *The General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the Technical Committee, resolved that IAF Accreditation Body members shall have legally enforceable arrangements with their accredited VVBs for validation and verification that prevents the VVB from issuing non-accredited validation and verification statements/opinions in scopes for which they are accredited. The enforceable arrangements between the AB and the VVB shall require implementation within 18 months from October 17, 2024. VVBs for validation and verification shall include the accreditation symbol and/or make reference to the accreditation status of the VVB including the identification of the AB on the validation or verification documentation (e.g. report, statement/opinion) for all engagements commencing 36 months from October 17, 2024.*

*Note: Any exception to the use of the accreditation symbol or reference to the accreditation status must be justified to the AB by the VVB, and if accepted by the AB, the validation and verification is still considered accredited (ref IAF GA38\_8.1).*

### **EA Resolution 2024 (56) 10**

The General Assembly hereby resolves that, going forward, the number of votes as well as the total votes cast in favour, against, or abstaining in the election of EA officers shall be disclosed to the General Assembly.

***EA Resolution 2024 (56) 11***

The General Assembly requests the Executive Board to propose the best structure for EA

- to discuss and collaborate on topics concerning the use of Artificial Intelligence by National Accreditation Bodies, as well as
- the formal structure entitled to define and decide on the harmonized approach for EA member NABs accrediting CABs using Artificial Intelligence and performing Conformity Assessment Activities of AI systems

with urgency but at least to allow decision-making by EA members at the next EA General Assembly.

***EA Resolution 2024 (56) 12***

The General Assembly pays a glowing tribute to Roeland Nieuweboer (RvA) who has been a member of the Executive Board since January 2021, Gabriel Zrenner (DAkkS) who has been chairing the Horizontal Harmonisation Committee since January 2018, and Konrad Flück (SAS) who has been a member of the Financial Oversight Committee since January 2022.

***EA Resolution 2024 (56) 13***

The General Assembly expresses its appreciation for the written reports presented by international and regional cooperation organisations to the 56<sup>th</sup> General Assembly on 21 November 2024.

***EA Resolution 2024 (56) 14***

The General Assembly expresses its appreciation for the written reports presented by stakeholder organisations to the 56<sup>th</sup> General Assembly on 21 November 2024.

***EA Resolution 2024 (56) 15***

The General Assembly agrees upon the following dates and venues for future meetings:

- 21- 22 May 2025, Türkiye
- 19-20 November 2025, Austria
- May 2026, Luxembourg
- November 2026, Azerbaijan (TBC)
- May 2027, Slovenia

***EA Resolution 2024 (56) 16***

The General Assembly expresses its appreciation for the superb arrangements and support services provided by IPAC for the 56<sup>th</sup> General Assembly on 20-21 November 2024.

End of resolutions of the 56<sup>th</sup> EA General Assembly.