

7th EURAMET General Assembly Plenary Session Minutes

Reykjavik, Iceland, 28 to 29 May 2013



Time	Part 1: Tuesday 28 May 8h30 – 13h00 Part 2: Wednesday 29 May 8h30 – 18h00
Place	Hilton-Hotel, Reykjavik, Iceland
Participants	EURAMET Delegates Representatives of EURAMET Associates and Liaison Organisations TC-Chairs Invited Guests Staff of EURAMET Secretariat (for support)

Minutes:

Keeper:	Wolfgang Schmid EURAMET Head of Secretariat
Approved by:	Participants of the plenary session on 12 th July 2013
Distribution:	Delegates and Alternates of EURAMET Members Representatives from EURAMET Associates Representatives from Liaison Organisations TC-Chairs Research Council Invited Guests to the GA EURAMET Secretariat
Notes:	Further documents to which reference is made in these minutes are available on the EURAMET website under “General Assembly” (direct link: http://www.euramet.org/index.php?id=ga7)

G07.01. Welcome address

Tryggvi Axelsson, Director of NEST welcomed the participants of the 7th EURAMET GA to Reykjavik and gave a short introduction on NEST.

G07.02. Opening and adoption of agenda

EURAMET Chairperson Kamal Hossain opened the 7th EURAMET GA. The agenda was accepted without change.

G07.03. EURAMET activities of the last year

D07.03.01 Chairpersons report

Kamal Hossain gave an overview on the most important strategic activities of EURAMET during the last year (see attached PP presentation).

D07.03.02 Supporting activities of the Secretariat

Head of Secretariat Wolfgang Schmid presented the development of the Secretariat in the last year and gave an overview on the most important activities (see attached report and PP presentation).

D07.03.03 EURAMET Communication

Communications Officer Anne Trumpfheller presented status and future plans for the implementation of the EURAMET communication strategy (see attached PP presentation).

D07.03.04 Questions and answers

A short discussion was carried out on the previous presentations.

G07.04. European Metrology Research Programme – EMRP

D07.04.01 Status of the EMRP: Activities of the last year and outlook

EMRP Programme Manager Duncan Jarvis gave a status report on the EMRP (see attached PP presentation).

Bosnia-Herzegovina became the 23rd EMRP member and will participate in the last call which is running in this year.

The Impact Prize of this year was announced: It will be awarded to Andrea Merlone, INRIM, Italy.

D07.04.02 Questions and answers

In the following discussion the importance of making the programme visible to Members of European Parliament and other EU politicians, e.g. via visits to the NMIs, was emphasised.

G07.05. European Metrology Programme for Innovation and Research – EMPIR

D07.05.01 Status of preparation

EMRP-Chair Jörn Stenger presented the status in preparation of the follow-up programme to the EMRP, the European Metrology Programme for Innovation and Research – EMPIR. 28 of the 37 EURAMET member countries confirmed their intention to participate in the programme and indicated a national commitment (for further information see attached PP presentation).

The following discussion focussed on questions on the EMPIR financing model.

G07.06. CIPM MRA related matters

D07.06.01 Report from BIPM

D07.06.02 Results of the workshop on “Best Practices in CMC Review”

Andy Henson, Director of International Liaison and Communications Department of BIPM, gave an overview on important developments at BIPM, CIPM and CIPM MRA and in particular on the last JCRB meeting and the results of a workshop on “Best Practices in CMC Review” (see attached PP presentation).

D07.06.03 CMC review: Forward look

Beat Jeckelmann, Member of the Board of Directors, presented EURAMET’s position on the CIPM MRA and focussed on the question of how to assure the CMC review remains manageable despite the fact that the number of CMC entries is expected to grow (see attached PP presentation).

G07.07. Reports from EURAMET horizontal TC’s

G07.07.01 TC-IM

The presentation was given by the TC-Chair Maguelonne Chambon (see attached report and PP presentation).

In particular, she mentioned that an e-learning training course on general metrology was developed and will be published soon on the EURAMET website. Anneke van Spronssen (WELMEC) suggested adding a module on legal metrology to the course.

G07.07.02 TC-IM FG-FNMID

Vice-Chair (GA) Janko Drnovsek, who is responsible for the Focus Group on “Facilitating National Metrology Infrastructure Development” (FG-FNMID) gave a presentation on the activities of the FG of the last year (see attached PP presentation).

In the following discussion Kamal Hossain emphasised that it is a joint committee between EURAMET and WELMEC and that we should make this more reality and strengthen the activities on legal metrology.

G07.07.03 TC-Q

TC-Q Chair Pavel Klenovsky gave an overview on the status of QMS review and specific activities of the TC-Q in the last year (see attached report and PP presentation).

End of Plenary Session part 1

Working session for Delegates only followed.

G07.08. Reports from working session Delegates only

EURAMET Chairperson Kamal Hossain presented the most important results of the working session for Delegates only, which was held the afternoon before:

EURAMET Membership:

2 new Designated Institutes were accepted as Associates of EURAMET (A-DI):

- 1) Belgium Nuclear Research Centre (SCK-CEN), Belgium
- 2) Underwater Acoustics Laboratory (UAL), Turkey

Elections:

Janko Drnovsek was re-elected as Vice-Chairperson (GA) for a second term from 06/2013 to 07/ 2016.

3 new BoD members were elected; one was re-elected for a second term of office:

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| • Zijad Dzemic | Bosnia-Herzegovina | new member |
| • Jan Petersen | Denmark | new member |
| • Maria Luisa Rastello | Italy | new member |
| • Jose Angel Robles | Spain | 2 nd term |

The new BoD Members introduced themselves to the audience.

6 TC-Chairs were re-elected for a second term of office

TC-EM:	Francois Piquemal	France
TC-F:	Elsa Batista	Portugal
TC-L:	Antti Lassila	Finland
TC-M:	Nieves Medina	Spain
TC-MC:	Michela Segal	Italy
TC-PR:	Marek Smid	Czech Republic

The current composition of BoD and TC-Chairs can be found in Annex 2.

Internal organisation:

The strategic orientation of the **TC-IM** is currently under discussion. The GA supports the continuation of the TC-IM and the action plan proposed by the TC-IM. In discussion with the BoD the action plan shall be reviewed and shall be more focussed.

The GA approved the concept of “**EURAMET Task Groups**” to be established for discussion and preparing concepts for general and specific interdisciplinary actual topics of high relevance for EURAMET.

A Task Group for “**Metrology in Health**” was established.

EURAMET GA 2014:

The next EURAMET GA will be in Cavtat (Dubrovnik), Croatia, in the week from 3 to 7 June 2014.

G07.09. Highlights from Technical Committees – part 1

The session on highlights from EURAMET Technical Committees (TC) consisted of two elements:

- a) Sector topics of relevant metrology areas, prepared jointly by several Chairs of the TCs concerned.
- b) Short presentations of highlights of each of the 10 TCs.

PP presentations and written annual reports of the TCs are attached to the documents of the meeting.

G07.09.01 Sector Topic: Energy

Presentation by Andrea Peruzzi, TC-T Chair

G07.09.02 Sector Topic: Environment

Presentation by Michela Segal, TC-MC Chair

G07.09.03 TC-AUV

Presentation by Salvador Barrera, TC-AUV Chair

G07.09.04 TC-EM

Presentation by Francois Piquemal, TC-EM Chair

G07.09.05 TC-F

Presentation by Elsa Batista, TC-F Chair

G07.09.06 TC-IR

Presentation by Hans Bjerke, TC-IR Chair

G07.09.07 TC-L

Presentation by Antti Lassila, TC-L Chair

G07.10. Liaison Organisations

Presentations of Liaison Organisations and invited guests followed. PP presentations are attached to the documents of the meeting

G07.10.01 CEN/CENELEC

Presentation by Luc van der Berghe, CEN/CENELEC, Programme Manager Research Integration.

G07.10.02 EURACHEM

Presentation by Michela Segal.

G07.10.03 GULFMET

Presentation by Mohammed Almulla, President of GULFMET.

G07.10.04 WELMEC

Presentation by Anneke van Spronssen, Chairperson of WELMEC.

G07.10.05 COOMET

Presentation by Pavel Neyezhnikov, Vice-President of COOMET.

G07.10.06 EUROLAB

Presentation by Álvaro Silva Ribeiro.

G07.10.07 NCSLI

Presentation by Lonnie Spires, NCSLI-President.

G07.11 Topic of general interest in metrology:

Designated Institutes and maintenance of national measurement standards

A draft position paper on “Role and Responsibilities of Designated Institutes”, in particular for the maintenance of national measurement standards has been prepared on initiative of the TC-MC Chair Michela Segla and Head of Secretariat Wolfgang Schmid (see attached documents). The development of the paper was supported by the TC-MC, CIPM Secretary Bob Kaarls and EURAMET Vice-Chair (GA) Janko Drnovsek. A EURAMET internal discussion process is in progress, but still not concluded.

Bob Kaarls and Michela Segla presented the important aspects of the paper with emphasis on BIPM and EURAMET aspects, respectively (see attached PP presentations). A discussion followed. Delegates were invited to give further comments on the paper.

It was concluded that Michela should prepare an updated version of the paper, taking into account the comments received during the discussion.

G07.09. Highlights from Technical Committees – part 2

G07.09.08 TC-M

Presentation by Nieves Medina, TC-M Chair

G07.09.09 TC-MC

Presentation by Michela Segla, TC-MC Chair

G07.09.10 TC-PR

Presentation by Marek Smid, TC-PR Chair

G07.09.11 TC-T

Presentation by Andrea Peruzzi, TC-T Chair

G07.09.12 TC-TF

Presentation by Ramiz Hamid, incoming TC-TF Chair

G07.09.13 Sector topic: Health

Joint presentation by Hans Bjerke, Michela Segla and Salvador Barrera.

G07.09.14 Sector topic: Industry

Presentation by Nieves Medina.

G07.12. Important developments amongst EURAMET Members

G07.12.01 IMBIH (Bosnia-Herzegovina)

Presentation by Zijad Dzemic, Delegate for Bosnia-Herzegovina.

G07.13. Conclusions and follow-up

EURAMET Chair Kamal Hossain gave a short summary of the General Assembly.

He thanked the staff of the host NEST and the EURAMET Secretariat for support in the organisation and closed the GA.

ANNEX 1: List of Participants

<i>Name</i>	<i>Function</i>	<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Country</i>
Almulla, Mohammed	Guest	GULFMET	
Arnason, Gudmundur	Delegate	NEST	Iceland
Asanovic, Vanja	Delegate	MBM	Montenegro
Barham, Richard	Incoming TC Chair	NPL	United Kingdom
Barrera-Figueroa, Salvador	TC-Chair	DFM	Denmark
Batista, Elsa	TC-Chair	IPQ	Portugal
Bender, Jutta	Secretariat	EURAMET	
Bjerke, Hans	TC-Chair	NRPA	Norway
Chambon, Maguelonne	Delegate, TC Chair	LNE	France
Dalhuijsen, Albert	Delegate	VSL	Netherlands
Drnovsek, Janko	Delegate Vice-Chairperson (GA)	MIRS	Slovenia
Džemić, Zijad	Delegate	IMBiH	Bosnia and Herzegovina
Edelmaier, Robert	Delegate	BEV	Austria
Filipe, Eduarda	Alternate	IPQ	Portugal
Frøystein, Hans Arne	Alternate	JV	Norway
Gonda, Arpad	Delegate	SMU	Slovakia
Gunn, Robert	DI Representative	NMO	United Kingdom
Hafner, Katharina	EMRP Representative	IMBiH	Bosnia and Herzegovina
Hamid, Ramiz	Incoming TC Chair	UME	Turkey
Henson, Andy	BIPM		
Hossain, Kamal	Delegate EURAMET Chairperson	NPL	United Kingdom
Hoxha, Majlinda	Alternate	DPM	Albania
Huch, Michael	JPC	EURAMET	
Isotalo, Heikki	Delegate	MIKES	Finland
Ivanova, Dimka	Delegate	BIM	Bulgaria
Jarvis, Duncan	EMRP PM	EURAMET	
Jeckelmann, Beat	Delegate	METAS	Switzerland
Johansson, Lena	Incoming TC Chair	NPL	United Kingdom
Kaarls, Robert	Guest	CIPM	
Kanakrieh, Omar	Guest	GULFMET	
Klenovský, Pavel	Delegate, TC Chair	CMI	Czech Republic
Krukoniene, Gerda	Alternate	VMT	Lithuania
Lassila, Antti	TC-Chair	MIKES	Finland
Maurans, Juris	Delegate	LatMB	Latvia
Medina, Nieves	TC-Chair	CEM	Spain
Nagyné-Szilágyi, Zsófia	Delegate	MKEH	Hungary
Neyezhmakov, Pavel	Representative	COOMET	
Panardziev, Dimitar	Delegate	BoM	FYR Macedonia
Pendrill, Leslie	Delegate	SP	Sweden

Name	Function	Organisation	Country
Peruzzi, Andrea	TC Chair	VSL	Netherlands
Petersen, Jan C.	Delegate	DFM	Denmark
Piquemal, Francois	TC Chair	LNE	France
Pirée, Hugo	Delegate	SMD	Belgium
Rastello, Maria Luisa	Delegate	INRIM	Italy
Popowska, Janina Maria	Delegate	GUM	Poland
Ramotowski, Zbigniew	Guest	GUM	Poland
Ribeiro, Álvaro Silva	Representative	EUROLAB	
Robles, José Angel	Delegate	CEM	Spain
Sandu, Ion	Alternate	INM	Romania
Schmid, Wolfgang	Head of Secretariat	EURAMET	
Sega, Michela	TC-Chair	INRIM	Italy
Smid, Marek	TC-Chair	CMI	Czech Republic
Spires, Lonnie	Representative	NCSLi	
Stenger, Jörn	Delegate EMRP Chair	PTB	Germany
Stokstad, Ellen	Delegate	JV	Norway
Tafel, Barbara	Legal Advisor	EURAMET	
Trenevski, Marjan	Guest	BoM	FYR Macedonia
Trumpfheller, Anne	Communications Officer	EURAMET	
Üstüner, Fatih	Delegate	UME	Turkey
Van den Berghe, Luc	Representative	CEN-CENELEC	
Van Spronssen, Anneke	Representative	WELMEC	
Vukoslavovic, Goran	Guest	BOM	Montenegro
Zabulionis, Daivis	Delegate	VMT	Lithuania
Zivkovic, Vida	Delegate	DMDM	Serbia
Zvizdic, Davor	Delegate	HMI	Croatia

ANNEX 2: Board of Directors and TC-Chairs

Board of Directors (and Standing Invitees):

Status	Name		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Chairperson	K. Hossain	UK				1st	Ch.E		Chairperson		P.Ch.	
Vicechair	J. Drnovsek	SI	2nd	3rd			Vice-Chair (GA)			Vice-Chair (GA)		
Vicechair	J. Stenger	DE					EMRP-Chair			EMRP-Chair		
Member	A. Dalhuijsen	NL				1st		2nd				
Member	Z. Dzemic	BA							1st			
Member	B. Jeckelmann	CH				1st		2nd				
Member	J. Petersen	DK							1st			
Member	M. L. Rastello	IT							1st			
Member	J.Á. Robles	ES					1st		2nd			
Standing Invitees												
TCC-Q	P. Klenovsky	CZ				1st		2nd				
TCC-IM	M. Chambon	FR				1st		2nd				
Q-Manager	E. Sadikoglu	TR							appointed until further notice			
Legal Advisor	B. Tafel	DE							Sept 2014			
EMRP-PM	D. Jarvis	UK								End 2017		
Head Secretariat	W. Schmid	DE						End 31 Oct 2013				

TC-Chairs:

Period			20..	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16
AUV	Richard Barham	UK						1st		
EM	Francois Piquemal	FR				1st				
F	Elsa Batista	PT				1st				
IM	Maguelonne Chambon	FR			1st		2nd			
IR	Lena Johansson	UK						1st		
L	Antti Lassila	FI				1st				
M	Nieves Medina	ES				1st				
MC	Michela Segà	IT				1st				
PR	Marek Smid	CZ				1st				
Q	Pavel Klenovsky	CZ		1st		2nd				
T	Andrea Peruzzi	NL			1st		2nd			
TF	Hamiz Ramid	TR						1st		