

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE 27th EA GENERAL ASSEMBLY**25 & 26 MAY 2011
BERLIN, GERMANY**

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 01

The General Assembly ratifies the results of the electronic ballot completed since the last General Assembly meeting according to Document EA/GA(11)22.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 02

The General Assembly adopts revised EA-2/02 2011: *EA Procedures for the Multilateral Agreement*.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 03

The General Assembly notes the draft EA Work Programme 2012 as presented to the meeting and mandates the Executive Committee to finalise it taking account of discussions in the General Assembly before submission to the European Commission and EFTA by 30 September 2011.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 04

The General Assembly approves the revised EA Strategy for the years 2010-2015 as defined in Document EA/GA(11)02.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 05

The General Assembly notes and supports EA Strategic Objectives for 2010-2015 as defined in Document EA/GA(11)03, and mandates the Executive Committee to include actions within future Work Programmes to meet these objectives.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 06

The General Assembly notes EA/GA(11)20 as stating EA's position on *Evaluation of the impartiality and objectivity requirements of ISO/IEC 17011 with particular focus on governmental national accreditation bodies*.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 07

The General Assembly supports that the Multilateral Agreement Council should include the contents of EA/GA(11)20 stating EA's position on *Evaluation of the impartiality and objectivity requirements of ISO/IEC 17011 with particular focus on governmental national accreditation bodies* (EA Resolution 2011 (27) 06), into the training process for all EA peer evaluators to ensure common understanding and harmonisation of approach.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 08

The General Assembly reconfirms the policy that, in order to maintain compliance with both the intent and the detailed requirements of Regulation (EC) 765/08, EA members shall not provide a positive response to any tender aiming to grant accreditation to an organisation established in a country where an EA member exists.

However, an EA member may provide an accreditation service to such an organisation if it is requested to do so by a (the) National Authority in the Member State of the applicant and in agreement with the national accreditation body that is local to the applicant organisation for reasons allowable under Article 7 of Regulation (EC) 765/08.

In this circumstance, the EA member shall also request from the applicant an attestation claiming that it is not "shopping around" and inform its own (sponsor) National Authority of the request.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 09

The General Assembly mandates the Horizontal Harmonisation Committee to incorporate the policy on Competitive Tenders for Accreditation Services (EA Resolution 2011 (27) 08) into the revision of EA-2/13: *EA Cross Frontier Policy for Cooperation between EA Members*.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 10

The General Assembly elects the following officers to the EA Executive Committee for a two-year mandate starting on 1 January 2012:

EA Chair:	Graham TALBOT
EA Vice-Chair:	Daniel PIERRE
Multilateral Agreement Council Chair:	Thomas FACKLAM
Horizontal Harmonization Committee:	Merih MALMQVIST NILSSON
Communications & Publications Committee Chair:	Vagn ANDERSEN
Inspection Committee Chair:	Rolf STRAUB
Certification Committee Chair:	Leopoldo CORTEZ
Laboratory Committee Chair:	Paolo BIANCO

Four additional members of the Executive Committee:

Biserka BAJZEK-BREZAK
Ignacio PINA
Rózsa RINGJan Van Der Poel

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 11

The General Assembly endorses the decision of the Executive Committee to appoint Claudio Boffa (NAB-MALTA) as a member of the Financial Oversight Committee in 2011.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 12

The General Assembly elects Jiří RUZICKA, Filippo TRIFILETTI and Claudio BOFFA as members and Jiří RUZICKA as Chair of the Financial Oversight Committee for a mandate starting on 26 May 2011 until 31 December 2013.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 13

The General Assembly adopts the Annual Financial Audit Report for 2010 (Document EA/GA(11)23) and certificate of expenses claimed under 2010 Operating Grant (Document EA/GA(11)24).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 14

The General Assembly accepts the Financial Oversight Committee's Report on EA 2010 Accounts (Document EA/GA(11)29).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 15

The General Assembly endorses the Executive Committee's response to the Financial Oversight Committee's Report on EA 2010 Accounts (Document EA/GA(11)32).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 16

The General Assembly approves the financial accounts for 2010 (Document EA/EX(11)43).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 17

The General Assembly notes the financial forecast for the year end 2011 (Document EA/GA(11)27).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 18

The General Assembly endorses the revision of *EA Terms and Conditions and forms to be submitted in support of a request for payment* (Document EA/EX(11)72) and notes the revision of EA-0/05: *Procedure for the Control of Expenditures and Preparation of Budgets*.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 19

The General Assembly, following the Executive Committee's proposal on possible sanctions against EA members not fulfilling their obligations, agrees that Article 5 of the EA Rules of Procedure should be amended as presented in Document EA/GA(11)01_Annex.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 20

The General Assembly mandates DAkkS to report back to the Executive Committee to confirm implementation of DAkkS's decision to suspend accreditation of the laboratory that is the subject of the Complaint raised by ENAC against DAkkS, not later than June 3, 2011.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 21

The General Assembly approves the 2012 Work Programme of the EA MLA Council (Document EA/GA(11)16Annex1).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 22

The General Assembly notes EA's proposed road map towards accreditation of Verification Bodies under ISO 14065 according to the new A&V Regulation (Document EA/GA(11)16Annex2).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 23

The General Assembly agrees to further revise *EA-2/02 2011: EA Procedures for the Multilateral Agreement*.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 24

The General Assembly approves the 2012 Work Programme of the Horizontal Harmonisation Committee (Document EA/GA(11)27).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 25

The General Assembly agrees that the Horizontal Harmonisation Committee revises EA-1/06: *The EA Multilateral Agreement* in order to bring it up to date, harmonize its terminology with other EA documents and define the levels of the MLA in this document. This work will be carried out in close cooperation with the EA MLA Council (Document EA/GA(11)29).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 26

The General Assembly agrees that the Horizontal Harmonisation Committee starts a new work item on surveillance of subcontractors to conformity assessment bodies in order to harmonize the implementation of practices among EA members (Document EA/GA(11)28).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 27

The General Assembly resolves that a new activity is defined at level 2 of the MLA and that this activity is called "Verification". The General Assembly also resolves that this activity is based upon ISO 14065 for environmental verifiers thus defining ISO 14065 as the level 3 standard under the activity "Verification".

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 28

The General Assembly approves the 2012 Work Programme of the Laboratory Committee (Document EA/GA(11)10).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 29

The General Assembly agrees that the Laboratory Committee starts a new work item to revise EA-4/09: *Accreditation of Sensory Testing Laboratories* (Document EA/GA(11)12).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 30

The General Assembly agrees that the Laboratory Committee starts a new work item to revise EA-4/15: *Accreditation for Non-Destructive Testing* (Document EA/GA(11)13).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 31

The General Assembly agrees that the Laboratory Committee starts a new work item to draft new guidelines on ILCs with few participants (Document EA/GA(11)14).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 32

The General Assembly agrees that the Laboratory Committee starts a new work item to revise the following EA Training Guides:

- EA-3/05: *Guidelines for Training Courses for Assessors Used by Laboratory Accreditation Schemes*
- EA-3/06: *Guidelines for Selection of Participants to Courses for the Training of Assessors Involved in Assessment of Laboratories Applying for Accreditation*
- EA-3/07: *Programme for Courses for Tutors for Assessor Training*

by replacing the three documents with a single document including training for all accreditation activities.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 33

The General Assembly endorses the withdrawal of EA-2/10: *EA Policy for the Participation in National and International Proficiency Testing Activities* and, acting upon the recommendation from the Laboratory Committee, adopts ILAC P9:2010 as a mandatory document for all EA Members.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 34

The General Assembly approves the 2012 Work Programme of the Certification Committee (Document EA/GA(11)15).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 35

The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation from the Certification Committee, resolves that ISO 22005 is not a standard to be used for accreditation.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 36

The General Assembly approves the 2012 Work Programme of the Inspection Committee (Document EA/GA(11)05).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 37

The General Assembly approves the 2011/2012 Work Programme of the Communications and Publications Committee (Document EA/GA(11)19).

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 38

The EA General Assembly endorses, upon the recommendation from the Communications and Publications Committee, that the revised version of EA-3/01: *Conditions for the use of accreditation symbols, text reference to accreditation and MLA signatory status* shall:

- contain a mandatory requirement for NABs to refer to the EA MLA on accreditation certificates;
- encourage NABs to use “EA MLA Signatory” in conjunction with their logo;
- encourage NABs to develop a policy allowing accredited conformity assessment bodies in combination with the accreditation symbol to use “EA MLA Signatory” on reports and certificates issued under their scope of accreditation.

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 39

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

- 23-24 May 2012 in Madrid, Spain
- xx-xx November 2012 in Bratislava, Slovakia
- May/June 2013 in Paris, France

EA Resolution 2011 (27) 40

The General Assembly expresses its appreciation for the excellent arrangements and support services provided by DAkkS for the 27th General Assembly on 25-26 May 2011.

End of resolutions proposed at the 27th EA General Assembly.