57th CIML meeting 2022
Agenda Item 15.1

Report by the OIML-Certification System Management Committee Chairperson

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OIML-CS MC Chairperson
Management Committee Membership

The following 22 countries are voting members of the OIML-CS Management Committee:

- Australia
- Belgium
- Cambodia
- Canada
- Colombia
- Cuba
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- France
- Germany
- India
- Japan
- Korea (R.)
- Netherlands
- New Zealand
- P.R. China
- Russian Federation
- Slovakia
- South Africa
- Switzerland
- United Kingdom
- United States

The 7th OIML-CS Management Committee Meeting which was held on 22-23 March 2022. 18 of the 22 MC members were present or represented.

In addition, there was a representative from a potential new participant in the OIML-CS, and there were representatives from the following liaison organisations: CECIP, CECOD, ILAC/IAF, and ISO CASCO.
The OIML Certification System structure is shown below (taken from B18)
Some of the key items addressed during the 7th OIML-CS Management Committee meeting were;

- Feedback and experiences of participants in the OIML-CS;
- Report on the Review Committee meeting;
- Report on the Maintenance Group meeting, including the revision of the OIML-CS documentation;
- Update on the re-approval of Legal Metrology Experts and Management System Experts;
- Review of OIML Issuing Authority Annual Reports for 2021 and the re-approval of the OIML Issuing Authorities and Test Laboratories;
- Promotional activities;
- High priority publications and periodic reviews;
- Changes to the OIML-CS documentation
- Update on the OIML Digitalisation Task Group.
I, as Chair of the Management Committee, speak of behalf of my MC colleagues and would like to thank all the efforts and hard work of the Review Committee and Maintenance Group.
### Issuing Authorities and their scope (June 2022)

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Certificates by Recommendation
1 January 2018 - 06 July 2022
Experts
I encourage you to look at Annex G of Addendum 15-1: Summary of Legal Metrology Experts. This list has grown significantly since 2018. There has been good growth, but there is still work to be done to increase the number of Management system experts.

Instrument Categories / Recommendations
39 instrument categories over 47 recommendations currently in the Certification System – All except for R150 are in scheme A (R150 planned to move into Scheme A in Jan 2023)

Scope of Issuing Authorities and Test Laboratories.
Since 2018, the number of Issuing Authorities may not have increased significantly, but their scopes certainly have, mostly inline with the timelines of the transitions for recommendations from Scheme B to Scheme A.
Promotion and Awareness

The Promotion and Awareness Raising Working Group has conducted a survey amongst countries in the Americas regarding membership of the OIML, their use of OIML certificates, and potential participation in the OIML-CS. The Working Group will use this information to determine suitable promotion and awareness raising activities, and will also consider how best to conduct similar surveys in the other regions.

Website

The OIML CS Website has been significantly improved following an update and refresh of the workspace and general usability.

What could you personally do to make people more aware of the OIML benefits?
Promotion and Awareness - How can you help?

Has there been any changes in your organisation? Do your colleagues know about the OIML CS?

“The mission of the OIML is to enable economies to put in place effective legal metrology infrastructures that are mutually compatible and internationally recognized, for all areas for which governments take responsibility, such as those which facilitate trade, establish mutual confidence and harmonize the level of consumer protection worldwide.”

Perhaps you could arrange an internal workshop to remind your colleagues of the OIML benefits?
How do we measure the performance of the CS? What is good? What is suitable?

• Number of Certificates issued
• Number of experts
• Adequate coverage of the recommendations (scope) by the test labs and Issuing authorities
• Number of Utilizers and associates
• Number (or impact?) of Promotion and Awareness raising activities
• Liaison organisation engagement and activities
• Number (suitability?) of Measuring instrument categories/recommendations
• Number of Appeals, Rejections, Suspensions

Do you have any suggestions? – please make a comment
The Future?

Starting with feedback from the 57th CIML meeting, what would you consider the priorities for the MC should be for 2023?

Chairperson board
Promotion and Awareness raising activities
Increased collaboration with the DTG
Risk register

Being able to measure and quantify is of great global importance – the OIML-CS is incredibly valuable given the Environmental issues that face us, and with the increases in energy and the cost of living that some nations are facing.

I would like you to give feedback by making a comment in the chat function.
Updates since my report was published (Addendum 15-1)

Due to some changes in the participants on the Board of Appeal, the list on page 7 of my formal report, Addendum 15-1, is incorrect now.

The Chairman of this Board, Roman Schwartz, will be identifying suitable participants, I’m sure an update will follow when the new participants have been confirmed.
Merci – Thank you
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