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The 54th CIML Meeting was held from 22–25 October 2019 in Bratislava, Slovak Republic and was hosted by the Slovak Office of Standards, Metrology and Testing (UNMS). 52 Member States were present or represented together with 11 Corresponding Members, and representatives from organisations in liaison.

The CIML President Dr Schwartz reported on OIML activities during the last year and presented his vision for the future of the Organisation.

A key event during the meeting was the election of Dr Mathew (Switzerland) as CIML Second Vice-President for a six-year term.

BIML Director Mr Donnellan reported on the activities and achievements of the Bureau and its staff, particularly the efforts to improve the effectiveness of OIML technical work and activities in favour of Countries and Economies with Emerging Metrology Systems (CEEMS), the OIML Certification System (OIML-CS), World Metrology Day, and work with liaison organisations. Mr Donnellan also emphasised the cost-saving measures the Bureau has achieved.

The OIML currently has 61 Member States and 61 Corresponding Members and efforts are ongoing to encourage new economies to join the Organisation.

The accounts for 2018 were approved and Mr Donnellan reported that the Organisation continues to be in a strong financial position.

The BIML reported on its activities with organisations in liaison. In addition, Dr Miki presented a summary of the discussions held during the Regional Legal Metrology Organisations (RLMO) Round Table held on the morning of 22 October. Dr Milton, BIPM Director, presented a detailed report on the BIPM's activities over the past year, focussing on the very successful revision of the SI and the BIPM's collaboration with the BIML, most notably World Metrology Day.

Other organisations in liaison (CECIP, IAF, ILAC, OECD and UNIDO) also reported on their activities.

The CIML approved the following publications:

- Revision of D 31 General requirements for software-controlled measuring instruments
- New Document D 33 Reference standard liquids (Newtonian viscosity standard for the calibration and verification of viscometers)
- New Document D 34 Conformity to Type (CTT) Pre-market conformity assessment of measuring instruments
- Revision of B 6 Directives for OIML technical work

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- New Basic Publication B 20 Rules for the use of OIML logos
- New Basic Publication B 21 Framework for OIML Training Centers and OIML Training Events
- Revision of R 117 Dynamic measuring instruments for liquids other than water

The CIML approved the following new projects:

- Revision of D 31 General requirements for software controlled measuring instruments
- New publication: R 87 prepackage template
- Revision of R 142 Automated refractometers: Methods and means of verification
- New publication Rotary viscometers Determination of dynamic viscosity Verification method
- Revision of B 11 Rules governing the translation, copyright and distribution of OIML Publications

The BIML gave a report on the work of high-priority projects and provided a summary of the training programme organised by the BIML for Project Group conveners.

A discussion took place on the OIML Bulletin and the need for more contributions from the Membership in the form of articles.

Mr Mason, vice-chairperson of the CEEMS Advisory Group (AG), delivered a report on the activities of the AG, including the meeting held on 21 October. His report focussed on progress related to the 2018 CIML resolution concerning CEEMS. In addition, Mr Mason provided a report on the outcomes of the e-Learning Workshop held on 21 October. Following the resignation of Mr Pu (P.R. China), Mr Mason was appointed as chairperson of the CEEMS AG, and Dr Ulbig (Germany) was appointed as vice-chairperson.

Mr Oosterman, OIML-CS Management Committee (MC) Chairperson reported on the activities of the OIML-CS, including the MC meeting held in March 2019. His report highlighted the increased participation in the OIML-CS, promotion and awareness-raising activities and the key issues that the MC will be addressing in the future.

OIML medals were awarded to Mrs Lagauterie (France), to Dr Borzyminski (Poland) and to Dr Miki (Japan) in recognition of their outstanding contributions to international legal metrology. A Letter of Appreciation was presented to Mr Oosterman in recognition of his work as OIML-CS MC Chairperson.

The 16th International Conference and 55th CIML Meeting will be held in Suzhou, P.R. China, in October 2020.

The 54th CIML Meeting Resolutions, documents and presentations can be found on the OIML website at:

https://www.oiml.org/en/structure/ciml/sites