# Resolutions of the 40<sup>th</sup> Pacific Area Standards Congress (PASC 40) Vancouver, Canada

Theme: Regional Collaboration in a Global Environment

3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> May 2017

# Resolution 1: Appointment of the Chairperson of PASC 40 and Roll Call of Delegates

PASC 40 appoints Mr John Walter (SCC) as the Chairperson of PASC 40.

#### PASC 40 notes that:

- 16 of the 23 members of PASC are present at PASC 40 (Annex 1).
- PASC 40 is the 3rd meeting which Brunei Darussalam (ABCi) did not attend and, in accordance with the PASC Charter, their membership lapses.
- Standards bodies whose PASC membership has lapsed are welcome to resume their membership. PASC 40 requests members to encourage these standards bodies to consider the benefits of membership in this important regional body.

### **Resolution 2: PASC Observers and Guests**

PASC 40 welcomes representatives from COPANT as observers in the PASC AGM.

PASC 40 welcomes and appreciates continuing engagement of the senior leadership of ISO, IEC and ITU-T as participants in the PASC AGM.

### **Resolution 3: Resolutions Committee**

PASC 40 appoints Karen Batt (SA) as the Chair of the Resolutions Committee and as members of the committee: Mr MATSUMOTO Mitsuo (JISC), Ms LEE Yonghyun (KATS), Ms CHO Chae-eun (KATS), Ms TAGAMI Akiko (Akko) (JISC), Ms XIA Weija (CAS), Mr Steven Cornish (ANSI) and Mr Alec Clark (SCC).

### **Resolution 4: ISO Update**

PASC 40 thanks Mr Nicolas Fleury, Acting Secretary General, for his remarks on the following key and current activities within ISO:

- Implementation of the ISO Strategic Plan 2016-2020:
- The approval of the ISO IT Strategy 2017-2020 and of a revised commercial policy (ISO POCOSA)

- Establishment of two Strategic Advisory Groups on IT and Commercial Policy (ITSAG and CPAG),
- Pursuit of the ISO Regional Engagement Initiative (REI); and
- The ISO DEVCO Action Plan for Developing Countries (APDC).

PASC 40 commits to contribute positively to the advancement of the ISO Regional Engagement Initiative (REI) as well as participating in the ISO workshop and breakout sessions on this topic to be held at the ISO 2017 General Assembly in Berlin.

PASC 40 extends its congratulations and its enthusiastic support to Mr Sergio Mujica, the new ISO Secretary-General, as he moves forward in this role.

### **Resolution 5: IEC activities and Masterplan**

PASC 40 thanks Mr James Shannon, IEC President, for his presentation on IEC activities including:

- the signing of the Frankfurt Agreement in October 2016,
- the finalization of the IEC Masterplan with the aim for approval in October 2017,
- the collaboration on Systems Evaluations Groups (SEGs),
- the World Smart City Forum to be held in Barcelona in November 2017,
- new committees on Standardization of the management of assets in power systems (IEC/TC 123), Wearable electronic devices and technologies (IEC/TC 124) and the Internet of Things and related technologies (ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 41), and
- the Market Strategy Board (MSB) white papers on *IoT 2020: Smart and Secure IoT Platform* and *Global energy interconnection*.

PASC 40 thanks Mr Vimal Mahendru, IEC Ambassador, for his presentation on Low Voltage Direct Current (LVDC), who shared the importance of standardization of LVDC and encourages engagement by PASC members in the LVDC Conference from 22-23 May 2017 in Nairobi Kenya.

### **Resolution 6: Report on ITU activities**

PASC 40 thanks Ms Alexandra Gaspari, (Programme Coordinator, Telecommunication Standardization Bureau) for providing an overview of some of ITU-T's priority activities.

PASC 40 is encouraged by a key objective of ITU's strategic plan to *Extend and facilitate cooperation with international, regional and national standardization bodies*, and looks forward to future co-operation and collaboration with ITU-T.

PASC 40 notes the ITU's invitation to participate in various ITU events including the Internet of Things Week (6-9 June 2017) and the AI for good global summit (7-

9 June 2017).

PASC requests all members make contact with the ITU member in their country.

### **Resolution 7: Report on WTO activities**

PASC 40 thanks Mr LIM Aik Hoe (Director Trade and Environment Division, WTO) for his video message providing an update from the WTO on particular activities underway within the Technical Barriers to Trade Committee (TBT) and next 8<sup>th</sup> Triennial Review.

### Resolution 8: COPANT-PASC Workshop: Enabling Innovation through Standardization

PASC 40 noted the excellent presentations at the COPANT-PASC workshop and the recommendations that were generated as a result of the workshop.

PASC 40 noted the key recommendations from the COPANT-PASC workshop focussed on communication and outreach opportunities; partnership and stakeholder engagement and capacity building and trade facilitation.

PASC 40 agrees that the PASC EC will discuss how PASC may follow up on the key recommendations from the workshop as part of PASC's focus areas and priority projects in 2017/2018 as well as areas where PASC can cooperate with COPANT.

### Resolution 9: ISO Regional Engagement Initiative (REI) Work Plan and KPIs

PASC 40 thanks Mr GOH Adrian, Director ISO Regional Office, Singapore for his update on the ISO Regional Engagement Initiative (REI).

PASC 40 notes the importance of setting goals (KPIs) which will demonstrate the value of the REI. It was noted that the KPIs should be aligned with ISO's overall strategic objective of standards used everywhere.

PASC 40 thanks members for the support from ISO members through secondments to the REI. The ISO Regional Office is keen to see other members benefit from future secondments from ISO members in the region and encourages members to approach the REI about these opportunities.

PASC 40 notes the upcoming events hosted by the ISO Regional Office in Singapore including the CEO Forum at the end of 2017 and the first secretaries week in Asia.

PASC 40 strongly encourages PASC members to contribute to the survey on KPIs for the REI to ensure they are demonstrative of the success of the REI which

should be reviewed on a regular basis to ensure they are fit for purpose. PASC 40 also agreed that ISO REI had brought about faster response time from ISO, higher level of interactions with ISO members and stronger working relationships with ISO and requested that PASC members shared these benefits with ISO Council and the wider body of ISO.

PASC recommends that ISO extends initiatives from the ISO REI to the PASC members in the Americas.

### Resolution 10: IEC regional update and future activities

PASC 40 thanks Mr. Dennis Chew, IEC Regional Office Director (APRC), for his presentation on recent initiatives and upcoming regional IEC activities.

PASC 40 thanks members for their involvement in various APRC initiatives that have taken place since PASC 39, including training, seminars, workshops and symposia.

PASC 40 notes new initiatives supporting various members with the implementation of Young Professionals Programmes in India and Indonesia and new quarterly regional (starting with ASEAN members) web sharing sessions starting from June 2017.

PASC 40 noted that the review to the APSG terms of reference was focused on strengthening the APSG, rather than duplicating activities underway with PASC.

### **Resolution 11: PASC Working Group progress on priority projects**

PASC 40 thanks the members of Working Groups 1 - 3 for their work since PASC 39.

PASC 40 notes the achievements of **Working Group 1** since PASC 39, including the revitalization and launch of the PASC website and the development of PASC related standardization promotional materials. Further discussion would be undertaken on the use of social media platforms and establishment of an ICT solution for collaboration and communication between members.

PASC 40 encouraged members to provide feedback to the Working Group 1 convenor on the templates circulated for comment.

PASC 40 noted the survey results from the PASC-COPANT workshop and the key recommendations from the results concerned with Structure of Future Workshops and how to leverage workshop recommendations.

PASC 40 notes the two key activities in 2016-2017 of **Working Group 2**, including the development of a set of case studies/best practices for MSMEs, services and standards education which has been made available on the PASC website. And the second activity encouraging PASC members' participation in a range of

APEC/ISO/IEC events and activities.

PASC 40 notes the achievements of **Working Group 3** since PASC 39, including the involvement of PASC members in the survey and workshop for the APEC Silver Economy project.

PASC 40 encourages members to disseminate the results and recommendations from the APEC silver economy project.

### Resolution 12: PASC Strategic Plan – breakout sessions

PASC 40 thanks the facilitators of the breakout sessions – Mr Sadhvir Bissoon (SABS); Mr Joe Tretler (ANSI); Mr MATSUMOTO Mitsuo (JISC); Mr LI Dongfang (SAC); Mr Damian Fisher (SA) and Ms Sabrina Anthony (SPRING SG). And also thanks all participants for their active contributions.

PASC 40 requests that the PASC EC prioritise and endorse the projects for 2017-2018 which the working groups will progress.

### Resolution 13: Report on regional activities and initiatives of interest to PASC

PASC 40 thanks members for providing updates on regional activities and initiatives - ARSO (Dr Sadhvir Bissoon), APEC SCSC (Mr Damian Fisher), ASEAN/ACCSQ (Ms CHOY Sauw Kook) and COPANT (Ms Kory Eguino), and takes note of the information provided.

PASC 40 encourages members to ensure they are actively participating in the activities of APEC SCSC and other APEC fora in order to promote the benefits of standards harmonisation and assist APEC with implementation of its strategic objectives. Further, members who are also members of APEC SCSC are encouraged to carefully consider the Voluntary Action Plan which is currently with members for input.

PASC 40 requests PASC EC to consider what actions should be taken to support the ARSO – PASC Memorandum of Understanding.

PASC 40 requests PASC EC to consider potential collaboration between PASC and ASEAN/ACCSQ on standards education programmes, compliance matters and initiatives to increase understanding of PASC activities within ASEAN members.

PASC 40 thanks members of COPANT for sharing their annual meeting with PASC. PASC members have greatly benefited from the joint workshop and look forward to further collaboration and cooperation in advancing the recommendations. The joint meeting has been an excellent opportunity to network and share experiences with COPANT members. PASC 40 particularly thanks Ms Kory Eguino for assistance with the organisation of the joint meeting and PASC

members look forward to a third joint meeting with COPANT in the future.

PASC 40 thanks the representative from APLAC (Mr Trace McInturff) for the updates on the activities of their regional organization and takes note of the information provided.

### Resolution 14: Projects and activities of potential interest to PASC members

PASC 40 thanks representatives from ANSI (USA), JISC (Japan), KATS (Korea), SAC (China), SPRING SG (Singapore) and TISI (Thailand) for their presentations on projects of potential interest to PASC members and notes the information provided.

PASC 40 requests that members interested in the standardization activities highlighted in the presentations follow-up with the presenting member bodies and support such activities.

PASC 40 also requests that any APEC project proposals be circulated amongst PASC members to ensure the standards body is aware of the relevant projects underway within APEC.

# Resolution 15: Report on Climate Change Coordinating Task Force and Development of Climate Change Guide

PASC 40 notes the project underway at ISO to develop a Guide for addressing climate change in standards. The Guide aims to assist standards writers include climate change adaptation (CCA) and climate change mitigation (CCM) considerations in their standardization work.

### Resolution 16: Support and presentation of Meritorious award for John Walter

PASC 40 acknowledges the significant contributions made by Mr John Walter to PASC over many years and congratulates him on this achievement.

PASC 40 showed their support for the recipient with a generous round of applause.

### Resolution 17: PASC support for nominees to ISO/IEC governance positions

PASC 40 reaffirms its long-standing practice of encouraging its members to support the candidature of representatives from PASC member bodies in elections for positions within the governance structures of ISO and IEC.

PASC 40 recommends support for the following candidates for the elections in 2017:

### ISO

- ISO Technical Management Board (TMB)
   DGN (Mexico) (2018-2020): Mr Jesus Lucatero
- ISO Policy Development Committee Chairs
   ISO COPOLCO Chair (2018-2019): SPRING SG (Mr CHOON Seah Seng)

### **IEC**

- IEC Chair of CAB & IEC Vice-President (2018 2020)
   CANC-IEC/SCC (Mr Shawn Paulsen)
- IEC Treasurer (2018 2020) SA (Dr Ian Oppermann)
- IEC Council Board (2018 2020)
   INC-IEC/BIS (Mr. R. K. Mittal)
   KATS (Dr KANG Byung-Goo)
   For second term
   DGN (Mr Odón Demófilo DE BUEN RODRÍGUEZ)
   SANC-IEC/SABS (Dr Sadhvir Bissoon)
- IEC Standardization Management Board (2018 2020)
   KATS (Dr HAN Jin-Kyu)
   For second term:
   INC-IEC/BIS (Mr. Vimal Mahendru)
- IEC Conformity Assessment Board (2018 2020)
   INC-IEC/BIS (Name Pending)
   CANC-IEC/SCC (Mr Marty Cole)
- <u>IEC Third Vice-President (2019 2021)</u>
   If IEC Council decides to elect this post at IEC Council in 2018 after the term of office of the current third Vice-President/MSB Convenor.
   <u>JISC (Dr TSUTSUMI Kazuhiko)</u>

# Resolution 18: Feedback from members on the PASC 40 format for continuous improvement

PASC 40 notes the excellent planning and running of the Vancouver meeting, and makes the following suggestions for future meetings:

- Board room style layout be considered rather than theatre style layout.
- Continue to schedule an afternoon of networking during the PASC meeting.
- Ensure all members make a contribution to each meeting including working group activities. For those members not making presentations that they are

- encouraged to provide a country report for the information of other PASC members.
- That a cut off point for the distribution of papers be set (for example 5 days before the meeting).

# Resolution 19: Invitation and Presentation of the next PASC meeting (PASC 40)

PASC 40 notes the invitation by JISC (Japan) to host PASC 41 in Okayama in May 2018 and is delighted to accept JISC's invitation. The meeting will take place from 15-18 May 2018.

### **Resolution 20: Hosting of future PASC meetings**

PASC 40 accepts the invitation from JISC (Japan) to host PASC 41 in 2018.

PASC 40 accepts the invitation from SNZ (New Zealand) to host PASC 42 in 2019.

### Resolution 21: Note of thanks

PASC 40 conveys thanks and appreciation to all the speakers, delegates and observers for their proactive engagement and valuable contributions to the discussions of the meeting.

### Resolution 22: Expression of appreciation

PASC 40 expresses its appreciation and thanks to the Standards Council of Canada (SCC), its staff, and the Chair of PASC 40, Mr John Walter, for their gracious hospitality, excellent organization and venue for a successful hosting of PASC 40.

#### **Resolution 23: PASC 40 Resolutions Committee**

PASC 40 thanks the members of the Resolutions Committee and its Chair (Ms Karen Batt) for their work supporting the PASC 40 meeting.

### Annex 1 - Attendance at PASC 40

### Members present at PASC 40:

- Australia SA
- Canada SCC
- P.R. China SAC
- Columbia ICONTEC
- Fiji DNTMS
- India BIS
- Indonesia BSN
- Japan JISC
- Mexico DGN
- New Zealand SNZ
- Peru INCAL
- Republic of Korea KATS
- Singapore SPRING
- South Africa SABS
- Thailand TISI
- USA ANSI

### Members unable to participate:

- Brunei Darussalam ABCi
- Hong Kong S.A.R. ITCHKSAR
- Malaysia DSM
- Mongolia -MASM
- Papua New Guinea NISIT
- Philippines BPS
- Vietnam STAMEQ

### Observers and Guests:

- APLAC
- COPANT
- IEC
- ISO
- ITU-T