



**USNC COUNCIL
PRELIMINARY DRAFT AGENDA**

**Thursday, 26 January 2023
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM (ET)
(Meeting #68)**

**Hosted by American Welding Society
8669 NW 36th Street
Doral, FL 33166**

Dress Code: Business Casual

**Section 1 – Organizational Matters
(Veronica Lancaster, USNC President)
(9:00 – 9:10 AM)**

- 1.1 Welcome and Introductions**
- 1.2 Approval of Agenda**
 - 1.2.1 Approval of USNC Council Roster**
 - 1.2.2 Approval of Balance of Agenda**
- 1.3 Approval of the USNC Council Minutes from the meeting on 15 September 2022 held in Norwood, MA**
 - 1.3.1 Discussion of comments received**

**Section 2 – Status of Outstanding Action Items
(T Zertuche)
(9:10 – 9:30 AM)**

**ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 1 – ANSI Legal to provide their rationale for allowing the Chair of the USNC Council meeting to determine the agenda regarding the USNC Council member only session.
Status: In Process**

**ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 2 – USNC staff to include additional columns (follow-up date, completion date, and final resolution) on the USNC policy committee resolutions document.
Status: Completed**

**ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 3 – USNC Rules & Procedures Committee to review the USNC Statutes to provide clarification on USNC leaders roles when transitioning of employers.
Status: In Process**

ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 4 – USNC Standing Committees to confirm their membership and consider balance of representation.

Status: In Process

ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 5 – USNC policy committees to form a task force to develop a USNC response to the EU standards strategy in coordination with Gordon Gillerman (NIST) and Joe Bhatia. The group will be led by Angus Low; volunteers include Michael Atlass, Dave Osborn, Ed Mikoski, Bob Sherwin, Wallie Zoller, and Sonya Bird.

Status: In Process

ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 6 – ANSI staff to reach out to the involved US entities to provide updates on the US-EU Trade & Technology Council in relation to the EU standards strategy.

Status: Completed

ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 7 – USNC staff to circulate benefits and logistical information to 2022 IEC GM General Sponsors to assist in identifying sponsor benefits.

Status: Completed

ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 8 – Tony Zertuche to follow up with ANSI regarding the inclusion of USNC's logo in the General Meeting sponsorship graphic.

Status: Completed

ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 9 – USNC staff and PlanCo leadership to hold an informational webinar on the 2022 IEC GM for the USNC constituency.

Status: Completed

ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 10 – USNC Council to hold a virtual session to address the member travel funding and process issue, create a cohesive proposal, and come to a consensus on how USNC would like to move forward. USNC Finance VP Peter Pondillo to lead this meeting.

Status: In Process

ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 11 – USNC staff to circulate a ballot to USNC Council on the 2023 USNC budget.

Status: Completed

ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 12 – USNC staff to provide the estimated amount of unused 2022 USNC funds to the USNC Finance Committee by the end of September.

Status: Completed

ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 13 – USNC Council to discuss the policy around placing USNC staff on various external groups versus a USNC member during the January 2023 meeting.

Status: In Process

ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 14 – Hold USNC Country Mentoring discussion during January 2023 meeting. USNC staff to provide background information on past mentoring relationships.

Status: In Process

ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 15 – Discuss USNC participation in regional groups at January 2023 meeting.

Status: In Process

ACTION ITEM #2022 – 9 – 16 – USNC staff to circulate a survey to policy committee members regarding May and September 2023 management meeting dates.

Status: Completed

Section 3 – For Discussion – USNC Membership

(T Zertuche)

(9:30 – 9:45 AM)

Executive Summary

Tony Zertuche will lead a discussion to address membership retention within the USNC.

Section 4 – For Discussion – USNC Strategic Objectives

(P Pondillo)

(9:30 – 9:45 AM)

Executive Summary

Peter Pondillo will review the USNC’s strategic objectives to reaffirm key areas of importance.

Section 5 – For Discussion – Staffing IEC Groups

(V Lancaster)

(9:30 – 9:45 AM)

Executive Summary

Veronica Lancaster to lead a discussion on the policy around placing USNC staff on various external groups versus a USNC member.

Section 6 – For Information – US-EU Trade & Technology Council Update

(A Quinn)

(9:45 – 10:00 AM)

Executive Summary

Anthony Quinn, International Trade Administration, to provide updates on the US-EU Trade & Technology Council in relation to the EU standards strategy.

Section 7 – For Information – Update on IEC Governance Items

(10:00 – 10:45 AM)

**7.1 IEC Board
(K Lippert/V Lancaster)**

Executive Summary

There will be a report on the IEC Board meeting held on 2 November and a review of the agenda for the upcoming meeting on 22-23 February in Geneva.

**7.2 IEC Forum
(T Zertuche)**

Executive Summary

Tony Zertuche will report on the IEC Forum meeting held on 1 November.

**7.3 IEC Diversity Advisory Committee
(M Hayes)**

Megan Hayes will report on the virtual DAC meeting held on 16 December.

**7.4 IEC Business Advisory Committee
(K McManama)**

Executive Summary

Kerry McManama will report on the BAC meeting held on 12-13 December in Geneva.

**7.5 IEC Governance and Audit Committee
(P Pondillo)**

Executive Summary

Peter Pondillo will report on the GRAC meeting held on 1 December in Geneva.

Section 8 – For Information – USNC Finance Issues

(P Pondillo)

(10:45 – 11:15 AM)

Executive Summary

Peter Pondillo, VP – Finance, will report on the USNC's finances.

Section 9 – For Information – USNC Communications Committee

(E Biery)

(11:15 – 11:30 AM)

Executive Summary

Ethan Biery, Chair, will provide a report on the activities of the Communications Committee.

Section 10 – Future Meeting Dates

(V Lancaster)

(11:30 AM – 12:00 PM)

Executive Summary

Veronica Lancaster will review the following future meeting dates:

2023

IEC Board Meeting
22-23 February 2023
Geneva, Switzerland

BAC Meeting
8 March 2023
Virtual

GRAC Meeting
26 April 2023
Geneva, Switzerland

BAC Meeting
27 April 2023
Geneva, Switzerland

IEC Forum Meeting
10 May 2023
Sydney, Australia (TBC)

IEC Board Meeting
20-21 June 2023
Mexico City, Mexico

BAC Meeting
6 July 2023
Virtual

IEC Board Meeting
29 August 2023
Virtual

IEC Forum Meeting
27 September 2023
Virtual

FOR DISCUSSION: Company Policy
87th IEC General Meeting
22 – 26 October 2023
Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt

BAC Meeting
29 November 2023
Geneva, Switzerland

DAC Meeting
6 December 2023
Geneva, Switzerland

2024

88th IEC General Meeting
21 – 25 October 2024
Edinburgh, UK

LUNCH
(12:00 – 12:45 PM)

Section 11 – Report from American National Standards Institute (ANSI)
(12:45 – 1:30 PM)

11.1 ANSI Report
(J Bhatia)

Executive Summary

Joe Bhatia, President of ANSI, will report on ANSI's activities.

11.2 ANSI International Policy Report
(J Tretler)

Executive Summary

Joe Tretler, ANSI VP – International Policy, will report on current activities in his department.

Section 12 – For Information – IEC SMB / TMC Issues
(H Choe)
(1:30 – 1:45 PM)

Executive Summary

Hae Choe, TMC Chair, will report on the TMC meeting held on 25 January 2023.

Section 13 – For Information – IEC CAB / CAPCC Issues
(J Sterling)
(1:45 – 2:00 PM)

Executive Summary

Joan Sterling, CAPCC Chair, will report on the CAPCC meeting held on 24 January 2023.

Section 14 – For Information – IEC Market Strategy Board (MSB) Report
(C Cramer)
(2:00 – 2:15 PM)

Executive Summary

Current issues being discussed by the IEC MSB will be reviewed.

Section 15 – For Information – USNC 2022 Planning Committee Report
(S Margis)
(2:15 – 2:45 PM)

Executive Summary

Steve Margis, Chair, will provide a debrief on the 2022 IEC General Meeting in San Francisco, CA.

Section 16 – For Information – USNC Rules and Procedures Committee Report
(K Willis)
(2:45 – 3:00 PM)

Executive Summary

Karen Willis, Chair, will provide an update on the work of the Rules and Procedures Committee.

Section 17 – For Information/Action – USNC Nominations Committee Report

(E Mikoski)

(3:00 – 3:15 PM)

Executive Summary

Ed Mikoski, Chair, will provide an update on the work of the USNC Nominations Committee.

Section 18 – For Information – USNC Young and Emerging Professionals

(C Schmaus)

(3:15 – 3:30 PM)

Executive Summary

Carrie Schmaus, Chair, will provide a report on the Young and Emerging Professionals Committee.

Section 19 – For Discussion / Information – Outreach to Regional Organizations

(T Zertuche)

(3:30 – 3:55 PM)

Executive Summary

Tony Zertuche will lead a discussion on USNC participation in regional groups, USNC country mentoring, and review the ongoing activities with the following:

- **APCF/PASC**
- **FINCA**
- **COPANT**
- **USNC Country Mentoring**
- **USNC Participation in Regional Groups**

Section 20 – Review of Action Items

(T Zertuche)

(3:55 – 4:00 PM)

Executive Summary

Tony Zertuche will review the action items captured during the 26 January USNC Council meeting.

Section 21 – Adjournment

Approximately 4:00 PM (ET)