INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION

COUNCIL BOARD (CB)

SUBJECT
Confirmed decisions taken by correspondence in 2020 to date and at the 2020-06-11 Council Board meeting

CB DECISION 2020/001 (by correspondence)

German CAB member

The Council Board approves the appointment of Mr Thorsten Arnhold as the German Member of the Conformity Assessment Board (CAB) until the end of his predecessor’s term of office, 31 December 2020.

CB DECISION 2020/002 (by correspondence)

Regional Adoption Agreement with GSO

The Council Board approves the Regional Adoption Agreement between the IEC and the Standardization Organization for the Gulf Cooperation Council of the Arab States of the Gulf (GSO) for circulation to Council for final approval.

CB DECISION 2020/003 (by correspondence)

Lord Kelvin Award selection process and qualification criteria

The Council Board approves the updated selection process and qualification criteria for the Lord Kelvin Award, as provided in attachment two to document CB/1073A/DV.

CB DECISION 2020/004 (by correspondence)

NC monitoring form

The Council Board approves the updated report form on National Committees’ representation and sustainable operations, as provided in attachment to document CB/1078/DV.
CB DECISION 2020/005 (by correspondence)

NRG membership

The Council Board approves the updated membership of the New Revenue Generation Group, as provided in attachment to document CB/1085/DV.

CB DECISION 2020/006 (by correspondence)

Provision of XML files

In addition to Council Board decision 2019/012, the Council Board grants the right for any NC-appointed Sales Outlet to receive access to XML files during the pilot phase for the purpose of supporting the appointing NC in the elaboration of national adoptions, sales and reproduction without paying a contribution to the XML conversion costs, subject to the following conditions:

- The NC itself does not engage in sales and has delegated its sales responsibility to the Sales Outlet;
- The NC’s sales responsibility has been delegated solely and entirely to the Sales Outlet;
- The Sales Outlet has no current agreement with CO;
- The Sales Outlet signs an agreement with CO (this may be a tripartite agreement including the NC if so desired); and
- The NC concerned has signed the Licence Agreement.

CB DECISION 2020/007

IEC Auditors for years 2020, 2021, 2022

Council Board endorsed the Audit Committee (AudCom) recommendation to appoint KPMG as Auditors of the IEC Statutory Accounts for the years 2020, 2021 and 2022, for circulation to Council for approval by correspondence.

CB DECISION 2020/008

Lord Kelvin Award

Council Board selected Mr Toshiyuki Kajiya (Japan) as the 2020 Lord Kelvin Award laureate.

Council Board confirmed that the names of the candidates should not be disclosed outside Council Board.

CB DECISION 2020/009

WSC Terms of Reference

Council Board supported the concept of increasing collaboration between the three organizations and requested that the General Secretary seek some additional changes to the proposed WSC terms of reference through discussion with ISO and ITU in line with the discussion at the CB meeting.
Draft Copyright Policy and Implementation Guidelines

Council Board approved the draft IEC Copyright Policy for circulation to Council for final approval by correspondence.

Council Board approved the IEC Copyright Policy Implementation Guidelines for immediate implementation following approval of the IEC Copyright Policy by Council.

Council Board noted that the Implementation Guidelines would be circulated to Council for information in parallel to the draft Copyright Policy.

Risk Framework

Council Board approved the IEC Risk Framework and requested that the General Secretary elaborate a mitigation action plan, together with the impact and cost analysis, for the following five risks:
- SEC 2020: Business continuity
- REL 83: Competition
- REV 102: Free standards
- REV 101: New Opportunities
- REL 81: Speed to market

The mitigation action plan should be presented to Council Board for approval at its November 2020 meeting.

Elaboration of a mitigation action plan for the remaining risks shall be undertaken in 2021.

Diversity

Council Board approved the IEC Diversity Statement as provided in document CB/1109/R and supported the Task Force recommendation for IEC to participate in the Joint IEC-ISO Strategic Advisory Group (JSAG) on Gender responsive standards and appointed Lynne Gibbens (Canada) as the IEC co-convenor.

Council Board also requested the CB Task Force on Diversity to continue its valuable work and to:
- streamline the Gender Action Plan and review the timelines;
- review the Geographical Action Plan to place more focus on capacity building;
- further develop the stakeholder categories and definitions.

The Task Force should update Council Board on the progress in June 2021.

Council Draft Agenda

Council Board approved the Council Draft Agenda for meeting due to take place in Geneva on 13 November 2020.
Masterplan Implementation

Council Board decided to establish a Task Force comprising CB members to conduct a high-level review of the Masterplan Implementation (MPI) achievements to date and to make recommendations to:

- define any additional steps to be taken to secure successful delivery of the Commission's strategy;
- forthcoming strategic topics as provided in document CB/1119/INF;
- consider the SMB work on SDGs and digital transformation as provided in document CB/1121/INF and CB/1115/R; and
- prepare for the development of the future strategy.

Council Board asked the General Secretary to coordinate the membership of the MPI Task Force, which should report its findings to Council Board before the end of 2020.

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