

MEETING OF MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIVES

22 April 2015

SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

Tabular Scopes

The Project has been progressing over the last two years.

The biggest change to scopes will likely be seen in the more established accreditation programs such as Chemical Testing and Biological Testing. Scopes will hopefully become more relevant to customer needs as they will be reflective of broader industry classifications rather than of individual fields of testing.

The tabular scopes project will effectively be completed when the AIMS project was concluded, in approximately two years. At this time tabular scopes will 'go live'.

Other Developments

- Review of ISO/IEC 17025:2005

A Draft International Standard will be produced by early 2016. This will be made available for Member comment.

- Member Engagement

NATA is recommencing NATA Members Meetings, starting in Western Australia. The intended format will have a reduced NATA Corporate overview and dedicate more focus on discipline specific workshops.

- Governance Update

Following on from the 2014 meeting, where a framework for future member representation was discussed, draft documents in support of this framework were established.

- a) Terms of Reference
- b) Procedures for Appointment
- c) Operating Procedures and Protocol

- Report on ILAC Laboratory Committee

The NATA Members Representative on the ILAC Laboratory Committee (LC) provided an update on attendance at the last ILAC LC meeting.

Some of the meeting issues arising included discussions on the following:

- ISO 17011
- ISO/IEC 17025
- Sampling Plans and Sampling
- Inspection
- Proficiency Testing