



## CEOC International – Confederation of Inspection and Certification Organisations



### CEOC in Brief

- ✓ Association of **inspection** and **certification** organisations
- ✓ **24 members** from **17 countries** in Europe
- ✓ Members employing more than **110,000 people**, of which over 62,000 graduate engineers and technicians
- ✓ Members' **revenues of > 9 000 M€**



### WHAT WE DO

- ✓ **We aim to promote safety and reduce accidents** through independent conformity assessment.
- ✓ **We represent the common interests of our sector**, as well as those of our members, to the EU institutions and to all European or international organisations and associations dealing with directives, regulations, standards and accreditation.
- ✓ **We keep our members informed of significant matters** (with respect to the above), and establish CEOC International positions for them to follow.
- ✓ **We aim to address concerns related to safety, quality and the environment.**



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### Vision

***CEOC International wants to be the recognized voice of safety and quality in Europe***

### Mission

***To improve safety and quality through independent testing, inspection and certification services***

## CEOC International Structure

### Committees

- Public Affairs & Communication
- Regional (Brussels Focus Group)
- Temporary Working Groups



### Topical Committees

<http://www.ceoc.com/structure.aspx>

- Conformity Assessment
- Inspection
- Energy and Environment
- Machines, Lifts & Cranes
- Non Destructive Testing
- Occupational Health & Safety
- Pressure Equipment
- Joint EUROLAB-CEOC Technical Committee on Product Testing & Certification

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## Brussels office



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## CEOC International – EUROLAB cooperation



### Key dates

- 1997:** first MoU between CEOC and EUROLAB
- 1999:** Joint Technical Committee on Product Testing and Certification (JTC PTC)
- 2011:** EUROLAB and JTC PTC Secretariat moved to Brussels
- 2012:** TCQA Secretariat moved to Brussels
- 2013:** joint CEOC – EUROLAB – IFIA Safety Seminar in Brussels



- **1997: first MoU between CEOC and EUROLAB**
- **Since then continuous renewals**
- **in 2010:**
  - **renewed MoU**
  - **Service Agreement**  
(CEOC to host the General Secretariat)



#### Main aims:

- To **inform** each other of activities.
- To **co-ordinate** the content and programming of workshops and seminars;
- To **exchange views** and, wherever possible, achieve consensus positions on policy matters of interest to the members of both organisations, such as the EC R&D programmes, pre-and-co-normative and accreditation activities, QA standards for laboratories, etc.
- To **co-ordinate**, where appropriate, **participation** in other European and international activities (CEN, EA, ISO, IAF, ILAC, etc.);
- To **co-ordinate activities and positions** on matters involving the interaction of testing, inspection and certification.
- To **take part in appropriate technical committees** concerned with horizontal issues at the European level,
- To **operate jointly a Technical Committee** on Product Testing and Certification (JTC PTC)
- To **encourage liaison** at the national level between their respective national members,



- **Established in 1999**
- **Jointly chaired by CEOC and EUROLAB**
- **36 meetings**
- **Regular attendance of 15 – 20 people**
- **Now also participation of IFIA and EEPKA representatives**



### Main topics:

- **EU policies**
- **Accreditation affairs: EA, ILAC, IAF**
- **Standardisation affairs: CEN, ISO**
- **Example: Revision of the Blue Guide**
  - **5 joint working groups with 40 volunteers prepared via online and telephone conferencing the joint CEOC – EUROLAB comments for the revision of the Blue Guide**



## Joint Position Papers (examples)



CEOC International, IFIA and EUROLAB Position on Product Safety and Market Surveillance Package adopted by European Commission on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2013



CEOC International, IFIA and EUROLAB

*Position Paper*

European Parliament seeks to enhance product safety in Europe



CEOC International, EUROLAB and IFIA

*POSITION PAPER*

On the proposal for a regulation on medical devices (COM 2012/542)

28-06-2007

Position Paper on the  
"Proposed Regulation setting out the  
Requirements for Accreditation and  
Market Surveillance relating to the  
Marketing of Products" (COM(2007) 37  
final)

EL-CEOC/NA/2006-2final

Comments on the EU Commission's Working Documents on  
the Review of the New Approach  
25 July 2006

The below comments relate to the following draft documents:

- CERTIF 2006-4 (28-06-2006) : Elements for possible articles for a horizontal legislative approach to harmonisation of legislation on products - (SOGS

## Joint events

### CEOC International – EUROLAB – IFIA Safety Seminar

#### *Safer Products and Industrial Installations in a Globalising World.*

**WHEN?** 27th November 2013

**WHERE?** Residence Palace, Brussels

**WHO?** Neven Mimica

(European Commissioner for Consumer Policy), **Malcolm Harbour** (IMCO Committee Chairman, European Parliament), representatives from **industry and consumer organisations**, and representatives from the **TIC sector**



**CEOC International – EUROLAB – IFIA Safety Seminar 2013**  
Safer Products and Industrial Installations in a Globalising World

**Programme**  
Date: Wednesday, 27th November 2013  
Place: Residence Palace, 155 Rue de la Loi, Brussels

13.00 – 14.00 Seated Lunch & Registration

14.00 – 14.10 Opening (Simo Hassi)  
CEOC International President

14.10 – 14.30 Welcome Speech by Malcolm Harbour  
Internal Market and Consumer Protection Committee chairman, European Parliament

14.30 – 11.40 Session No.1: Industrial Safety  
Chaired by Richard Nelson  
IFIA President

14.30 – 14.45 Introduction of Testing, Inspection and Certification Sector  
by Ruth  
Member of the Board of DEIRA SE and head of DEIRA industrial business unit DEIRA SE

14.45 – 15.00 Risk Based Inspection  
Prof. Aleksander Jovanovic  
European Technology Platform on Industrial Safety

15.00 – 15.15 Industrial Safety  
Saskia Clark  
Group Safety and Business Assurance Director, Lloyd's Register

15.15 – 15.30 The Manufacturer's Point of View  
Philippe Foubert  
Standardisation and Technical Policy Manager, Orgalime

15.30 – 15.40 Q & A

15.40 – 16.10 Coffee break

16.10 – 17.20 Session No.2: Consumer Safety  
Chaired by Jill Scudder  
EUROLAB President

16.10 – 16.25 Product Testing  
Magnus Holmgren  
Quality Manager, IPR—Technical Research Institute of Sweden

16.25 – 16.40 Market Surveillance and Safety Issues  
Stéphane Bourais  
Secretary General, ANEC – The European consumer voice in standardisation

16.40 – 16.55 IFIA Study on Product Testing  
Gitta Schärer  
Chairwoman UL/IFIA Consumer Products Committee

16.55 – 17.10 Consumer Product Safety  
Jens Bollenmann  
Vice President/Director at TÜV SÜD Product Service GmbH

17.10 – 17.20 Q & A

17.20 – 17.45 Key note speech by Neven Mimica,  
European Commissioner for Consumer Policy (invited)

18.30 – 18.45 Closure by CEOC International, EUROLAB and IFIA Presidents

18.45 – 22.00 Buffet dinner

The seminar and the reception will take place at:  
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**Joint promotion of the safety  
of European societies and its  
citizens.**





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## The Voice of the Independent Safety Professionals

