

## **109th meeting of the CIPM Decisions**

### **Decision CIPM/109-01**

The CIPM accepted the minutes of the second session of the 108th meeting of the CIPM as a true record.

### **Decision CIPM/109-02**

The CIPM noted that the Task Group established by Decision CIPM/108-19 to propose terms of reference for a Working Group of Member State representatives had completed its mandate and decided to close it.

### **Decision CIPM/109-03**

The CIPM noted the decision taken by correspondence on 28 February 2020 that Prof. Neyezhmakov will represent the BIPM at the JCGM-WG2:VIM. Seventeen members had voted in favour and one had abstained.

### **Decision CIPM/109-04**

The CIPM noted the decision taken by correspondence 9 March 2020 that the document OIML D-01 should be developed for final publication as a joint BIPM/OIML publication. Twelve members had voted in favour and six had abstained.

### **Decision CIPM/109-05**

The CIPM noted the decision taken by correspondence on 13 June 2020 that the draft MoU between the BIPM and the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) was approved. Seventeen members had voted in favour and one had abstained.

### **Decision CIPM/109-06**

The CIPM noted the decision taken by correspondence on 3 July 2020 that it confirmed its approval of the audited financial statements of the BIPM and of the BIPM Pension and Provident Fund which were reviewed by the CIPM Sub-Committee on Finance in June 2020. The CIPM granted the BIPM Director quietus for the 2019 exercise. All eighteen members had voted in favour.

### **Decision CIPM/109-07**

The CIPM noted the decision taken by correspondence on 7 August 2020 to allow Consultative Committees, Consultative Committee Working Groups and Consultative Committee Workshops to be held on-line and agreed version 3.1 of CIPM D-01 “Rules of procedure for the Consultative Committees (CCs), CC working groups and CC workshops”. Seventeen members had voted in favour.

### **Decision CIPM/109-08**

The CIPM noted the decision taken by correspondence on 21 August 2020 to hold its 109th meeting online between 11:00 and 13:30 (UTC) on 12, 13 and 14 October 2020. All eighteen members had voted in favour.

### **Decision CIPM/109-09**

The CIPM noted the decision taken by correspondence on 11 September 2020 that the draft MoU between the BIPM and the International Federation of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine (IFCC) was approved. Sixteen members had voted in favour.

### **Decision CIPM/109-10**

The CIPM noted the decision taken by correspondence on 9 October 2020 that, on the basis of the criteria it has previously adopted, it would be appropriate for the Republic of Azerbaijan to accede to the Metre Convention. The BIPM will convey the Decision, recalling Resolution 4 ‘On the status of Associate State of the General Conference’ adopted by the CGPM at its 24th meeting, and the implications regarding the increase in subscription should the Republic of the Azerbaijan choose to remain as an Associate of the CGPM. Sixteen members had voted in favour.

### **Decision CIPM/109-11**

The CIPM agreed with the timetable proposed by the Chair of the CIPM Sub-Committee on Finance to implement Resolution 5 of the 26th meeting of the CGPM (2018) and requested the CIPM Sub-Committee on Finance to continue to coordinate the needed CIPM actions to build a consensus amongst advancing Member States on the issue.

### **Decision CIPM/109-12**

The CIPM welcomed the report from the Chair of the Pension Fund Advisory Board and noted the participative and consensus-building approach taken by the CIPM members and staff and pensioner representatives.

The CIPM endorsed the 2019 Actuarial Study and considers it as an expert actuarial basis for its decision making to ensure the long-term financial stability of the Pension Fund.

The CIPM decided to ask the Sub-Committee on Finance to explore the possibility and feasibility of authorizing exceptional contributions or voluntary injections of liquidity into the Fund pursuant to the discussions at the 2nd meeting of the CGPM and to articles 3.3 b) and c) of the Regulations of the Pension Fund.

The CIPM noted Article 3 of the Regulations of the Pension Fund, and asked the BIPM Director to consider commissioning a new actuarial study before the next meeting of the CGPM if necessary.



### **Decision CIPM/109-13**

The CIPM recalled Decision CIPM/105-07 and, whilst giving due consideration to the scenarios tested in the 2019 Actuarial Study, decided to offer the option for active BIPM staff to join the “Post-2017” Section of the Pension Scheme as of 1 January 2021 if they choose. This “one-time” option should be available to staff for implementation by the end of December 2020.

### **Decision CIPM/109-14**

The CIPM approved the amendments to Title IV (Service and Leave) of the RRI (Rules, Regulations and Instructions applicable to BIPM staff) as submitted in document CIPM/2020-07 (Annex 1). It noted that the CCE had been consulted and had submitted its advisory opinion expressing its views about the proposed measures. The CIPM was confident that the amendments will improve the conditions of employment of BIPM staff whilst serving the interests of both the staff and the BIPM. The new provisions of the RRI will enter into force as of 1 January 2021.

The CIPM encouraged the BIPM Director to continue with the steps necessary to further modernize the RRI and to bring forward policies that reflect current standards of conduct expected from International Civil Servants.

### **Decision CIPM/109-15**

The CIPM approved the Terms of Reference of a Joint Task Group between the BIPM (representing the States Parties to the Metre Convention) and the International Organization of Legal Metrology (OIML) with the aim to foster enhanced cooperation between the BIPM and OIML in order:

- to facilitate both organizations in serving their Member States better,
- to make both organizations more attractive to states that do not currently participate in the activities of either/both organization(s).

Dr Louw, Dr Milton and Dr Richard were appointed as the representatives of the BIPM in the Joint Task Group. Other CIPM members will be invited to join the task group as required.

### **Decision CIPM/109-16**

The CIPM welcomed the draft document “Evolving Needs in Metrology” prepared by SC1 of the Sub-Committee on Strategy and decided to appoint CIPM contact persons for each theme proposed. Dr Rietveld was asked to finalize the list of contact persons that will be published on the BIPM website.

### **Decision CIPM/109-17**

The CIPM endorsed the “Grand Vision” prepared by the Task Group on the "Digital SI" (TG) and the Expert Group (EG), recognizing that it will continue to evolve. The CIPM decided:

- to appoint Dr Laiz, Dr Duan and Dr Sené as new members of the TG and to approve an update to its terms of reference,
- to support the activities in “digital transformation” proposed for inclusion in the BIPM Work Program (2020 to 2023),

The CIPM encouraged the BIPM and the NMIs to work with the TG to realize the Grand Vision, confirmed its support for the International Workshop on the “The International System of Units (SI) for FAIR Digital Data” to be held in February 2021 and noticed the possible drafting of a resolution for the 27th meeting of the CGPM.

### **Decision CIPM/109-18**

The CIPM decided to grant the status of ‘liaison organization’ within the CCU to the International Mathematical Union (IMU).