

# Discussion on APLAC PT Working Mode

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## Role of APLAC PTs



Support ILAC-MRA in our region.



## An Event Going on



- A government department has a major concern on an imported product based on some feedback. Four labs in different economies got different results on this kind of products. The department doesn't see virtually variability in production, thus comes the concern regarding the variation in testing results.
- Our MRA might be undermined by this kind of events.



## BOM Decisions 2016



- PT programs need to provide confidence in the APLAC MRA.
- PT program proposals need to be supported by strong justifications and will be reviewed by BoM. BoM will make recommendations to the APLAC GA for approval.
- An operation model on how APLAC PT schemes are to be run will be developed.

*From BoM 40.11*





## BOM Decisions 2017



- No commercial programs available;
- Trade related testing;
- Sufficient participants in our region.



## POSSIBLE CHANGE?



SELF-MAKE



PURCHASE





## Background



- Members` need of APLAC PT is obvious to see.
- The MRA effect within our region can be monitored in general.
- APLAC PTs provide a good chance to compare the CABs from different regions.
- The support of APLAC MRA could be demonstrated by the data we collect in our APLAC PTs.

**No Data, No Evidence.**



## Possible Mode



- To publicize the need of APLAC & the specific requirements.
- To apply tender/bid process.
- To get the report and performance data from providers.
- To extract useful information.
- No more involvement in the operation of PTs except for the nomination.





# Discussion



## Advantages vs. Disadvantages



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## Potential Requirements



- Free of participation fee from participants.
- APLAC provides Max AUS10,000.
- Other RCBs are invited as well.
- Adherence to ISO/IEC 17043.
- More preferable to traceable assigned values.
- If application, the uncertainty shall be required for the participants as well as for the assigned values.
- Technical discussion is a Must, especially on the MU and (if any) different testing methods (including digestion technique).

