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Ref: 8.2.23 Call for Nominations for Membership of Committee on

Traceability in Laboratory Medicine (C-TLM)

To: IFCC Full Member Societies' National Representatives **IFCC Affiliate Societies' Representatives IFCC Corporate Members' Representatives**

Dear Colleagues,

In 2004, IFCC established a Committee on Traceability in Laboratory Medicine (C-TLM). Since then, the Committee has provided IFCC with high level expertise in the specific area of metrological traceability and standardization. The Committee, under the Chairmanship of Dr. Denis Grote-Koska, intends to replace two members who have completed their term of office.

The terms of reference and current projects of the C-TLM are as follows:

Terms of Reference

- To support activities regarding Traceability in Laboratory Medicine, permitting IFCC to continue its international role in this area and providing an operating link between the SD and the WGs of the Joint Committee on Traceability in Laboratory Medicine (JCTLM), concerning identification of reference measurement procedures, reference materials and reference laboratories.
- To support reference laboratories in the context of complete reference systems (accepted reference measurement procedures of higher order, reference materials, and reference laboratories) by establishing an External Quality Assessment Scheme (EQAS) for reference laboratories in order to monitor their competence.
- To promote establishment and maintenance of IFCC reference laboratory networks for clinically relevant measurands (e.g. the IFCC HbA1c network).

Current Projects

Organization of IFCC RELA surveys for calibration laboratories and candidate calibration laboratories

Information on the current composition of the C-TLM and its activities are available on the IFCC Website, at following link: http://www.ifcc.org/ifcc-scientific-division/sd-committees/ctlm/. More specific information can be obtained directly from Dr. Grote-Koska - Grote-Koska.Denis@mh-hannover.de

Nominations should be sent directly to the IFCC Office (paola.bramati@ifcc.org and elisa.fossati@ifcc.org) by using the enclosed application form, before March 25th, 2024.

We would particularly welcome applications from young scientists and candidates with experience in standardisation and setting up reference measurement systems, although all applications will be given careful consideration.

Following approval, the candidate will be appointed for a three-year term (commencing in April 2024). A second three-year term is allowed following satisfactory review at the end of the first term by the Scientific Division Executive Committee following consultation with the C-TLM Chairman.

Yours sincerely

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Chair IFCC Scientific Division

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