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**To: All National Representatives of the Full and Affiliate Member Societies
All 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 Prof. Lothar Siekmann, wishes to appoint 1 new member to start early 2016 to replace a member who has come to the end of his period of appointment.

The specific terms of reference of this Committee are:

- To support activities regarding Traceability in Laboratory Medicine, permitting IFCC to play its international role in this area and providing an operating link between the Scientific Division and the Working Groups of the Joint Committee on Traceability in Laboratory Medicine (JCTLM) (in which IFCC plays, as a founding member, a key role along with other organisations such as BIPM and ILAC), concerning identification of reference measurement procedures, reference materials and reference laboratory services.
- 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 External Quality Assessment Schemes (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).

C-TLM consists of 6 full members, including the Chair, nominated by the IFCC Member Societies and/or Corporate Members. This letter asks you for a nomination for this position.

Nominations should be directly sent to the IFCC Office (paola.bramati@ifcc.org) using the attached Application Form **by March 1st 2016**. We would particularly welcome applications from candidates with experience in directing a JCTLM listed reference laboratory or in standardisation activities, as well as nominations of young scientists.

Following approval, the candidates will be appointed for a three-year term on the Committee. 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.

Looking forward to receiving your nomination, I remain

Sincerely yours

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