**PRESENTATION**

**Ernst O. Göbel**, born in 1946, is a German physicist who received his diploma and PhD from, respectively, the Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, Frankfurt, Germany, and the University of Stuttgart.

He had been Scientific Assistant at the University of Stuttgart from 1974-1980 and subsequently Assistant Professor at the Max-Planck-Institute for Solid State Research, Stuttgart. In 1985 he was appointed full professor at the Philipps-University Marburg, Germany. From 1995 until the end of 2011 he was president of the Physikalisch-Technische-Bundesanstalt (PTB), Braunschweig and Berlin, Germanys National Metrology Institute. He was member of the *Comité international des poids et measures (CIPM)* from 1997-2013 and its president from 2004 -2011. He now is Honorary Member of the CIPM.

Ernst Göbel has published more than 350 scientific papers in peer reviewed journals. He has received several scientific honors amongst them the Max-Born-Prize of the Institute of Physics and German Physical Society (DPG) and the Leibniz-Prize of the German Research Society (DFG). He is member of the Berlin Brandenburgiche Academy of Science (bbaw), the “Deutsche Akademie der Technikwissenschaften (acatech), foreign member of the Academy of Science of Ukraine and member of the Russian Academy for Metrology.

During his term as president of PTB he was particularly supportive of COOMET. He decided PTB to continue as a member of COOMET and to strengthen the scientific cooperation of PTB with the NMIs of other COOMET member states. In particular, due to his personal engagement a firm scientific cooperation program has been established between PTB and the Russian metrology institutes which is still very active.

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