

**COOMET PRESIDENT'S REPORT**  
**about the activities of the organization after 27<sup>th</sup> COOMET Committee meeting**  
**(April 2017 – April 2018) and about cooperation tasks**

**Dear colleagues!**

During the reporting period COOMET activities were carried out in all directions and thematic areas stipulated by the Memorandum of Cooperation and the Program of COOMET development for 2017 – 2019.

Shall I dwell on some results in the reporting period and tasks for 2018.

During the reporting period there was done much work on the preparation and agreement of the Memorandum of Understanding in the field of measurement uniformity assurance between COOMET and EURAMET. Its signing is planned at this Committee Meeting. Moreover, the work on preparing a Memorandum of Understanding in the field of measurement uniformity assurance between the Euro-Asian Economic Commission and COOMET is in process now.

No doubt the signing of these Documents will contribute to the further development of metrological cooperation with these organizations!

**Current activities in certain areas of cooperation**

COOMET work on the implementation of the CIPM MRA in the framework of **the Joint Committee on Measurement Standards** was aimed at organizing and conducting regional comparisons and to conduct intra- and interregional examinations of CMC's.

During the 22<sup>nd</sup> COOMET President's Council meeting the actualized Program of COOMET comparisons for 2018 was signed.

Work on conducting Program of comparisons oversees the Chairman of the COOMET Joint Committee on Measurement Standards Anna Chunovkina, VNIIM, Russia.

Over the past year COOMET Secretariat registered 28 new projects, 14 of them related to the carrying out of comparisons, in particular in *Annex B* the KCDB, 3 comparisons were registered during the reporting period.

In the reporting period 63 CMC lines of COOMET member-countries were published, total amount of lines - 2 487 (including Associate members – 7029).

In the reporting period work on the implementation of “Joint program of reference materials development within COOMET” was carried out (In charge - Chairman of TC 1.12 “Reference materials” Sergei Medvedevskih, VNIIM, Russia). As for 31.03.2018, in the COOMET Reference Materials Register was included information on 111 types.

During the reporting period was held **the 19<sup>th</sup> COOMET Quality Forum meeting** together with the 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of QF Technical Committee (January, Braunschweig, Germany).

Currently, most of COOMET NMI has the status of COOMET recognition of their quality management systems (QMS). In 2017 the following NMIs' QMS were tested: NIM (Moldova) due to the expiration of previously issued certificate, and AzStandard (Azerbaijan) for the first time. In 2018 it is planned to test QMS of the following NMIs: INIMET, CENTIS, CPHR (Cuba), State Enterprise “Ivano-Frankovskstandartmetrology” (Ukraine) and GeoSTM (Georgia).

Introduction and application of quality management systems in metrology institutes is an important area of cooperation for the implementation of the CIPM MRA. I therefore appeal to representatives of all COOMET member countries to be active in the work of Quality Forum.

Activities in the field of **legal metrology** were carried out as part of the Work Program of TC 2 “Legal Metrology” for 2017 approved at the last COOMET Committee meeting, the new version of which shall be approved at the forthcoming 18<sup>th</sup> TC 2 meeting.

Jointly with the scheduled TC 2 “Legal Metrology” meeting, that will take place on May 17 2018 in Moscow, it was decided to carry out International OIML-COOMET Conference “Worldwide uniform requirements on prepackages - Basis for fair trade and consumer protection” and COOMET seminar on the OIML Certification System (OIML-CS) “Promoting Global Harmonization for Measuring Instruments”. I kindly invite everyone to participate in these events!

**In the past year, works in the field of information and training were carried out.**

During the reporting period also information updating, presented at COOMET web-resources, was carried out (Information on COOMET projects, information about COOMET Committee members, Chairman of the structural bodies, COOMET publications, etc.), CMC database on the *Annex C* of KCDB.

The COOMET website ([www.coomet.org](http://www.coomet.org)) is maintained by the experts of VNIIFTRI. The website is administered by A. Ivanov (VNIIFTRI).

Maintaining a web portal of COOMET ([www.coomet.net](http://www.coomet.net)) is carried out by the Secretariat of COOMET and online editors of pages of the countries and the COOMET technical committees.

During the reporting period work was initiated on the modernization of COOMET informational resources. According to the President’s Council resolution was established the Working Group on this issue. The modernization is aimed at creating the single online informational resource of COOMET that will unite the possibilities of portal and web-site for presenting fully the actualized information on COOMET activities and providing the information exchange among the participants within the organization.

Much attention in COOMET is paid to training and advanced training of metrologists. As you know, since 2005, every two years, the International Competition “The Best Young Metrologist of COOMET” is held. In May 2017 VII International Competition “The Best Young Metrologist of COOMET” was held in Astana, Kazakhstan. The participants of the competition were not only from COOMET member states but also from other Regional Metrological Organizations.

October 31 – November 1, 2017 in Kishinev (Moldova) the 14<sup>th</sup> meeting of TC 4 “Information and Training” was held.

Within this meeting there were approved the activities of the Technical Committee according to TC 4 Work Program for 2015-2017 and adopted the Work Program for 2018-2020.

It is necessary nowadays to hold regular training seminars for online editors of pages of the countries and the COOMET technical committees due to constant increase of COOMET member states and regular changes in National Secretariats and technical committees.

**Cooperation with international, regional and national organizations on metrology**

COOMET today is an active participant in international cooperation in metrology, it helps to assure measurement uniformity in the region covered by COOMET, and contributes to the

development of national metrology infrastructure of member countries, harmonized with international requirements.

During the reporting period, COOMET continued cooperation with international (CIPM, BIPM, JCRB, CIML, BML) and regional (AFRIMETS, APMP, EURAMET, WELMEC, NCSLI) metrology organizations.

COOMET representatives took part in the 38<sup>th</sup> and 39<sup>th</sup> meetings of JCRB.

With the aim of promoting COOMET activities at the international level, representatives of COOMET took part in:

- roundtable of regional organizations on legal metrology in the framework of the 52<sup>nd</sup> meeting of CIML;
- EASC meetings;
- STSMetr of EASC meetings;
- NCSLI meetings;
- EURAMET meetings.

**Thus, we can conclude that the intended objectives of COOMET Development Program for 2017 have been largely implemented.**

I would like to note!

In 2017 COOMET received an application from SENCAMER (Venezuela) to join our organization as an associated member. Unfortunately not all the COOMET Committee members voted positively on this issue. This is the first time in COOMET history when we reject state metrological institution.

I would like to highlight that Venezuela is among the 17 countries that signed Metre Convention in 1875.

To conclude my statement, I want to thank Vice-Presidents and Chairmen of Technical Committees and Subcommittees, who were actively working in the past year. I wish to all present successful and productive work. I express my confidence that our solutions will contribute to the further development of COOMET as well as expansion of cooperation between the member countries of our organization. It must be noted that this Meeting includes the handover to the new President.

Thank you for attention!

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