



AGENDA

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 1899 L Street 11th Floor
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Topic	
1.	<p>Introduction and Welcome (~5 minutes)</p> <p>Presenter: <i>Reinaldo B. Figueiredo</i> – ANAB Vice President, Conformity Assessment Strategy</p> <p>Expected Outcome: Setting the tone and objectives for the meeting.</p>
2.	<p>ANAB – ANSI National Accreditation Board (~20 minutes)</p> <p>Presenter: <i>Lori Gillespie</i> – ANAB Vice President, Management Systems, Validation and Verification, Product Certification</p> <p>Expected Outcome: Understanding ANAB’s role, its relationship with Scheme/Program Owners, and how collaboration can enhance accreditation processes.</p>

3.	<p>UNIDO – Progress on the work related to the Development of documents related to Terminology, Criteria and Process for Benchmarking of Conformity Assessment Scheme/Program (~20 minutes)</p> <p>Presenter: <i>Gabor Molnar</i> – Industrial Development Officer at UNIDO</p> <p>Expected Outcome: Providing an update on UNIDO's efforts in developing a global framework for benchmarking terminology, principles, criteria and process use to benchmark.</p>
4.	<p>The Evolution of CanadaGAP: From the Grassroots to GFSI (~20 minutes)</p> <p>Presenter: <i>Heather Gale</i> – Executive Director at CanadaGAP</p> <p>Expected Outcome: Exploring the development and success of CanadaGAP, lessons learned, and its role in achieving GFSI recognition.</p>
5	<p>AI and conformity assessment – Activities related to certification programs for AI (~25 minutes)</p> <p>Presenter: <i>Kimberly Lucy</i> – Director of GRC Standards at Microsoft</p> <p>Expected Outcome: Understanding how AI is impacting conformity assessment, challenges in certifying AI-related technologies, and ongoing initiatives shaping AI certification frameworks.</p>
6	<p>Update on the Creation of the Scheme/Program Owner Association (~20 minutes)</p> <p>Presenter: <i>Gigi Vita</i> – Chief Food Safety Assessment Officer and Senior Vice President at SQFI (Safe Quality Food Institute)</p> <p>Expected Outcome: Providing an update on efforts to establish a Scheme/Program Owner Association, its objectives, and potential benefits for Scheme/Program owners.</p>
7	<p><u>Discussion:</u> Paper on Competence Framework for Scheme/Program Owner Personnel Involved in the Development of Certification Schemes/Programs (~15 minutes)</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Vijay Krishna</i> – ANAB Vice President Credentialing Programs • <i>Eric T. Vincent</i> – ANAB Senior Manager, Credentialing <p>Expected Outcome: Reviewing the proposed competence framework and gathering feedback on its applicability and implementation in Scheme/Program Owner operations.</p>

8	<p>Overview of ANAB 2025 Conformity Assessment Symposium (~10 minutes)</p> <p>Presenter: <i>Keith Mowry</i> – ANAB Senior Manager Business Development</p> <p>Expected Outcome: Sharing information about the upcoming ANAB Conformity Assessment Symposium, key themes, and how Scheme/Program owners can participate.</p>
9.	<p>Panel 1: Scheme/Program Owners' Representatives – Best Practices of Scheme/Program Owners on the Management and the Implementation of the Certification Scheme/Program (~60 minutes)</p> <p>Moderator: <i>Leann B. Chuboff</i> – Vice President, Technical Affairs at SQFI</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Eric K. Jefferies</i> – President at International Aerospace Quality Group (IAQG) Management System Scheme/Program Owner • <i>Guðmundur Sigbergsson</i> – CEO at International Carbon Registry GHG Scheme/Program Owner • <i>Ellen Buchanan</i> – Audit Director, FDA/ORR/OO at FDA TPP Program Management System/Product • <i>Andri Orphanides</i> – Director, Individual Certification Programs at American Petroleum Institute (API) Personnel Scheme/Program Owner <p>Expected Outcome: Sharing experiences and strategies to address common challenges and leverage opportunities in certification Schemes/Programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of the Schemes/Programs - Integrity program - Use of Data on the monitoring of Certification Bodies - Experience of Scheme/Program Owners on use of AI - Sharing experiences and strategies to address common challenges and opportunities - Sanctions/Appeals and Complaints process used by Scheme/Program Owner - Scheme/Program owners' best practices and challenges - Feedback on ANAB Services
10.	<p>Panel 2: Scheme/Program Owners' Representatives – Best Practices of Scheme/Program Owners on the Management and the Implementation of the Certification Scheme/Program (~60 minutes)</p> <p>Moderator: <i>Jason Stine</i> – ANAB Vice President, Inspection, Laboratories, and Related Activities</p> <p>Presenters:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Jordan Adelson, PhD</i> – Director at Navy Laboratory Quality and Accreditation Office Laboratory Scheme/Program Owner • <i>Darwin Millard</i> – Technical Director at CSQ Cannabis Safety & Quality Product Scheme/Program Owner • <i>Alejandra Amador Garcia, PhD</i> – Manager, Psychometrics at Project Management Institute Personnel Scheme/Program Owner • <i>Amanda McCarthy</i> – Business Director at BRCGS Product Scheme/Program Owner <p>Expected Outcome: Sharing experiences and strategies to address common challenges and leverage opportunities in certification Schemes/Programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of the Schemes/Programs - Integrity program - Use of Data on the monitoring of Certification Bodies - Experience of SO on use of AI - Sharing experiences and strategies to address common challenges and opportunities - Scheme/Program owners’ best practices and challenges - Feedback on ANAB Services
11.	<p>Update on the ISO/CASCO – Global Accreditation Cooperation (~15 minutes)</p> <p>Presenter: <i>Warren Merkel</i> – ANAB Vice President, Policy</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. ISO Policy Committee on Conformity Assessment – CASCO ii. Global Accreditation Cooperation - International Accreditation Forum (IAF) – International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) <p>Expected Outcome: Keeping up to date with the latest activities and priorities of ISO/CASCO, IAF, and ILAC.</p>
12.	<p>Closing (~5 minutes)</p> <p>Presenter: <i>Lori Gillespie</i> – ANAB Vice President, Management Systems, Validation and Verification, Product Certification</p> <p>Expected Outcome: Summarizing key takeaways from the meeting and next steps.</p>