AGENDA

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

3.	**Update on the Creation of the Scheme/Program Owner Association (~20 minutes)** **Presenter:** *Gigi Vita* – Chief Food Safety Assessment Officer and Senior Vice President at SQFI (Safe Quality Food Institute) **Expected Outcome:** Providing an update on efforts to establish a Scheme/Program Owner Association, its objectives, and potential benefits for Scheme/Program owners.
4.	**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) **Presenter:** *Gabor Molnar* – Industrial Development Officer at UNIDO **Expected Outcome:** Providing an update on UNIDO's efforts in developing a global framework for benchmarking terminology, principles, criteria and process use to benchmark.
5.	**The Evolution of CanadaGAP: From the Grassroots to GFSI** (~20 minutes) **Presenter:** *Heather Gale* – Executive Director at CanadaGAP **Expected Outcome:** Exploring the development and success of CanadaGAP, lessons learned, and its role in achieving GFSI recognition.
6.	**AI and conformity assessment – Activities related to certification programs for AI** (~25 minutes) **Presenter:** *Kimberly Lucy* – Director of GRC Standards at Microsoft **Expected Outcome:** Understanding how AI is impacting conformity assessment, challenges in certifying AI-related technologies, and ongoing initiatives shaping AI certification frameworks.
7.	<u>**Discussion**</u>**: Paper on Competence Framework for Scheme/Program Owner Personnel Involved in the Development of Certification Schemes/Programs** (~15 minutes) **Presenters:** *Vijay Krishna* – ANAB Vice President Credentialing Programs *Eric T. Vincent* – ANAB Senior Manager, Credentialing

	Expected Outcome: Reviewing the proposed competence framework and gathering feedback on its applicability and implementation in Scheme/Program Owner operations.
8.	**Overview of ANAB 2026 Conformity Assessment Symposium** (~10 minutes) **Presenter:** *Keith Mowry* – ANAB Senior Manager Business Development **Expected Outcome:** Sharing information about the upcoming ANAB Conformity Assessment Symposium, key themes, and how Scheme/Program owners can participate.
9.	<u>Panel 1</u>: **Scheme/Program Owners' Representatives – Best Practices of Scheme/Program Owners on the Management and the Implementation of the Certification Scheme/Program** (~60 minutes) **Moderator:** *Leann B. Chuboff* – Vice President, Technical Affairs at SQFI **Presenters:** *Eric K. Jefferies* – President at International Aerospace Quality Group (IAQG) | Management System Scheme/Program Owner *Guðmundur Sigbergsson* – CEO at International Carbon Registry | GHG Scheme/Program Owner *Andri Orphanides* – Director, Individual Certification Programs at American Petroleum Institute (API) | Personnel Scheme/Program Owner **Expected Outcome:** Sharing experiences and strategies to address common challenges and leverage opportunities in certification Schemes/Programs. - 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.	<u>Panel 2</u>: **Scheme/Program Owners' Representatives – Best Practices of Scheme/Program Owners on the Management and the Implementation of the Certification Scheme/Program** (~60 minutes) **Moderator:** *Jason Stine* – ANAB Vice President, Inspection, Laboratories, and Related Activities

	Presenters: • *Jal Desai* – CEM Researcher, Accelerated Deployment and Decision Support (ADDS) Center at National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) | Persons Scheme/Program Owner • *Darwin Millard* – Technical Director at CSQ Cannabis Safety & Quality | Product Scheme/Program Owner • *Alejandra Amador Garcia, PhD* – Manager, Psychometrics at Project Management Institute | Personnel Scheme/Program Owner • *Anna Malek-Woznica* – Head of Certification Integrity at BRCGS | Food Safety Scheme/Program Owner **Expected Outcome:** Sharing experiences and strategies to address common challenges and leverage opportunities in certification Schemes/Programs. - 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.	**Update on the ISO/CASCO – Global Accreditation Cooperation** (~15 minutes) **Presenter:** *Warren Merkel* – ANAB Vice President, Policy 　i.　ISO Policy Committee on Conformity Assessment – CASCO 　ii.　Global Accreditation Cooperation - International Accreditation Forum (IAF) – International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) **Expected Outcome:** Keeping up to date with the latest activities and priorities of ISO/CASCO, IAF, and ILAC.
12.	**Closing** (~5 minutes) **Presenter:** *Lori Gillespie* – ANAB Vice President, Management Systems, Validation and Verification, Product Certification **Expected Outcome:** Summarizing key takeaways from the meeting and next steps.