



**CITAC**  
Cooperation on International  
Traceability in Analytical Chemistry

## **Individual Honorary membership of CITAC**

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### **Purpose**

CITAC is committed to the promotion of cooperation on international metrological traceability in chemistry. In furtherance of this aim, CITAC wishes to recognise individuals who have made exceptional contributions in this field and has accordingly adopted the following mechanisms and procedures for individual recognition. This policy provides for the recognition of exceptional individual contributions to CITAC or to the promotion of metrological traceability in chemical measurements and in measurements where chemistry is coupled with other disciplines, e.g. physics and biology, at the international level.

### **Honorary membership**

The CITAC Members' Meeting may designate an individual as an "Honorary member of CITAC" for exceptional contributions to the work of CITAC or to the promotion of cooperation on international metrological traceability in chemistry.

Note: "Honorary membership of CITAC" is not a class of CITAC membership as provided for in section "Rules of membership" in CITAC Terms of Reference. It is an individual honour that is accompanied by an open invitation to attend the CITAC Members' meetings as an invited expert in recognition of his/her contribution and expertise.

Suggestions of nominations for Honorary membership may be made by any CITAC member to the Executive, providing a letter describing the reason for the nomination to the Executive. In case of approval of the proposed candidate, CITAC Secretary will circulate to members the proposal, together with the nomination letter, at least forty days prior to the CITAC Members' Meeting at which the Honorary Membership is to be voted and/or rectified. Appointment requires a consensus (understood as agreement in the absence of strong opposition) and will normally be taken at the CITAC Members' Meeting following the receipt of the nomination. The voting can also be done by e-mail and the formal adoption of the voting result will be done at the following CITAC Members' Meeting. The process should be confidential for the nominee. The individual concerned may be invited to attend the CITAC Members' Meeting for the formal adoption of the voting result at his/her own expense.

A Honorary Member may attend future CITAC Members' Meeting in a non-voting capacity, at their own expense. The Honorary Member does not pay the annual membership fee.

A message of the elected Honorary Member is to be published in the next CITAC News after the Member's meeting when his/her Honorary Membership was adopted.

### **Withdrawal of Honorary membership**

In very exceptional circumstances, a Honorary member of CITAC might subsequently act in a manner that is not consistent with the aims and purposes of CITAC. In these circumstances, the Executive may propose to CITAC members the withdrawal of the Honorary membership. The individual concerned shall be given a minimum of thirty day notice of such a vote. The notice shall include the reason given to

CITAC for withdrawal of the membership. During this term the individual concerned could provide a defence prior to the vote. The decision of the CITAC members by consensus (understood as agreement in the absence of strong opposition) on such a proposal will be final.