**INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION SYSTEM FOR CERTIFICATION TO STANDARDS RELATING TO EQUIPMENT FOR USE IN EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERES (IECEx SYSTEM)**

**Title: *Summary of Voting results on ExMC/1578/DV Vote on acceptance of the Final Draft 2021 IECEx Budget, for submission to CAB, based on ExMC/1481/CD, as approved during the 2019 Dubai ExMC meeting.***

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**INTRODUCTION**

This document contains a summary of the voting results on *ExMC/1578/DV Vote on acceptance of the Final Draft 2021 IECEx Budget, for submission to CAB, based on ExMC/1481/CD, as approved during the 2019 Dubai ExMC meeting.*

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***Summary of voting results on ExMC/1578/DV*** ***Vote on acceptance of the Final Draft 2021 IECEx Budget, for submission to CAB, based on ExMC/1481/CD, as approved during the 2019 Dubai ExMC meeting.***

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| **Country** | **Vote**  | **Comment** |
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| **AUSTRALIA** | Yes |  |
| **BRAZIL** | Yes | Considering the current Coronavirus situation, we would propose a Budget Review. |
| **CANADA** | Yes |  |
| **CROATIA** | Yes |  |
| **CZECH REPUBLIC** | Yes |  |
| **DENMARK** | Yes |  |
| **FINLAND** | Yes |  |
| **FRANCE** | Yes |  |
| **GERMANY** | Yes |  |
| **GREECE** | Yes |  |
| **HUNGARY** | Yes |  |
| **INDIA** | Yes | India’s annual dues may be kept as CHF 6,500 and applicant ExTL (CIMFR) may be excluded from this budget. |
| **ISRAEL** | Yes |  |
| **ITALY** | Yes |  |
| **JAPAN** | Yes |  |
| **KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA** | Yes |  |
| **MALAYSIA** | Yes |  |
| **NETHERLANDS** | Yes |  |
| **NEW ZEALAND** | Yes |  |
| **NORWAY** | Yes | The secretariat should assess whether the Covid-19 situation will affect the budget proposal significantly. |
| **PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA** | Yes |  |
| **POLAND** | Yes |  |
| **REPUBLIC OF KOREA** | Yes |  |
| **ROMANIA** | Yes |  |
| **RUSSIA** | Yes |  |
| **SINGAPORE** | Yes |  |
| **SLOVENIA** | Yes |  |
| **SOUTH AFRICA** | Yes |  |
| **SPAIN** | Yes |  |
| **SWEDEN** | Abstain |  |
| **SWITZERLAND** | Yes |  |
| **TURKEY** | Yes |  |
| **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** | Yes |  |
| **UNITED KINGDOM** | Yes |  |
| **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA** | Yes |  |

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| **Members Voting: 35****Members in favour: 34****Members abstain: 1**  | **Final Decision: Approved** |
| **Status on: 2020 03 26** |

**Do you agree to the acceptance of co-operation between RISE Research Institutes of Sweden AB, Sweden, and Central Mining Institute, GIG, Poland?**

**Yes = In favour No = Against NR = Not received Abstain**

**Annex A**

**Member Bodies Comments with Secretariat Responses**

**BRAZIL**

Considering the current Coronavirus situation, we would propose a Budget Review.

**Secretariat Response:**

The Budget is a starting point for our IECEx Operations and as with all approved budgets, they are under constant review during the year based on both actual accounts and situations occurring at the time.

Therefore, BR is correct that annual budgets are reviewed on an ongoing basis and will be done during the 2021 year.

**INDIA**

India’s annual dues may be kept as CHF 6,500 and applicant ExTL (CIMFR) may be excluded from this budget.

**Secretariat Response:**

Applicant bodies are included in the budget calculations as applicants are members of ExTAG and enjoy benefits of ExTAG documents + Meetings and information. However if an applicant ExTL withdraws their application then they are excluded, they do however face an application fee if they decide to re-apply later.

**NORWAY**

The secretariat should assess whether the Covid-19 situation will affect the budget proposal significantly.

**Secretariat Response:**

Yes, this is already being done and will be updated once the impacts of COVID-19 are known and also as part or normal business review practise during the 2021 year.