**INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION IEC SYSTEM FOR**

**CERTIFICATION TO STANDARDS RELATING TO EQUIPMENT FOR USE IN**

**EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERES (IECEx SYSTEM)**

**TITLE: Nomination from Germany for Dr. Frank Lienesch as ExTAG Chair**

**INTRODUCTION**

In response to the call for nomination, ExTAG/603/Inf, this document contains the nomination received from Germany for the appointment of Dr. Frank Lienesch as ExTAG Chair. A copy of his CV is attached.

Dr. Lienesch’s nomination will be considered, along with other nominations received for the ExTAG Chair position, during the ExTAG 2020 Meeting, in readiness for a decision by the ExMC during its September 2020 meeting.

Should Member Bodies have any comments or questions please feel free to contact me.

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Frank Lienesch Curriculum Vitae 28.05.2020

Frank Lienesch, Dr. - Ing. studied electrical engineering (specializing in power engineering and electric drives) in Braunschweig and Valencia (1988 -1993). He has been working at the Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt in Braunschweig since 1994. After receiving his PhD in "Electrical Breakdown of Combustible Gases ..." in 1999, he took over the management of the working group "Explosion-Protected Drive Systems" from 2003-2016 and, from 2016, headed PTB's "Explosion-Protection in Sensor Technology and Instrumentation" department and the conformity assessment sector for explosion protection.

The activities also include representing the interests of the PTB in international standardization IEC TC 31 especially WG 27 and WG 43 (convener) since 1999. On the national level he is involved in DKE K 241 and K 311.

With respect to the regulation in the field of explosion protection he is supporting the BMAS (Federal Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs) in the area of the ATEX directive since 2006, in particular the national advisory committee, the WG of the Standing Committee of the European Commission, the ATEX-ADCO (Market Surveillance in Europe). Parallel, he took over the responsibility of the Sector Initiative of Equipment for Explosive Environment (SIEEE) at UNECE WP.6 to support the international acceptance of conformity assessment and testing with respect to standards. The Sector initiates a cooperation with the IECEx scheme to increase the international acceptance and to bridge the communication to the national officials for regulation.

Frank, born 1967, lives in Braunschweig, Germany, is married and has 3 Children.