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**Title: IECEx OD 008 - Reciprocal arrangements covering exchange of information and meeting participation between ExNBG and IECEx**

**Introduction**

This document contains a proposal for amendments to Edition 1.0 of IECEx OD 008 as prepared by Mr Omerovic.

This is now submitted for approval during the 2024 ExMC meeting for publication as IECEx OD 008, Edition 2.0.

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**Introduction**

The following arrangements were approved by the IECEx Management Committee, during the October 2024 Foz do Iguaçu, Brazilmeeting and provides a framework for both liaison and cooperation between the European ATEX Directive Notified Bodies Group, ExNBG and IECEx.

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**Document History**

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| 2003 06 | Original Issue (Version 1) |
| 2024 09 | Editorial revisions to accommodate for ExNB’s new abbreviation ExNBG. |

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**Agreed Arrangements:**

1. ExNBG is granted a position as a Liaison Member of both the IECEx Management Committee and the IECEx Testing and Assessment Group.
2. IECEx is granted a position as Liaison Member of ExNBG permitting a delegation of up to 3 representatives to attend ExNBG meetings and participation on ExNBG WGs.
3. Exchange of views and information to achieve a common approach between IECEx and ExNBG that may lead to alignment of Clarification sheets between IECEx and ExNBG.
4. Support for a common acceptance criteria for Ex Test Laboratories and Ex Certification Bodies entering ExNBG and IECEx.
5. Alignment between ExNBG and IECEx on manufacturers quality system requirements.
6. Alignment between ExNBG and IECEx on matters of methodology, such as application of manufacturers quality system requirements and production surveillance.
7. Where possible, future alignment of meetings between IECEx and ExNBG.

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