

SCHEDULE

National Institute of Standards and Technology
Conformity Assessment in the Americas
1- 5 October 2001

Monday, 1 October 2001

NIST Administration Bldg. 101, Lecture Room - B

OPENING

- 7:45 AM Bus pick-up from Hotel
Summerfield Suites
Gaithersburg, Maryland
- 8:30-9:00 AM Welcome and Introductions
Walter G. Leight, Deputy Director
Office of Standards Services, NIST
- 9:00-9:30 AM NIST Overview
Dr. Claire M. Saundry, Chief, International Affairs
Office of International and Academic Affairs, NIST
- 9:30-10:15 AM NIST in Our Community
Tour of Lobby Displays
Jan Hauber, Public and Business Affairs, NIST
- 10:15-10:30 AM BREAK

GLOBAL MARKET ACCESS

- 10:30-11:30 AM Conformity Assessment Systems: Surveys Summary and Discussion
Ivan Rios, NIST Standards Attache
U.S. Embassy Mexico
- 11:30 AM-12:30 PM Overview of Conformity Assessment
Steven Roll, President
Joven Technology LLC
- 12:30-1:00 PM Administration
- 1:00-2:00 PM Lunch - NIST Cafeteria
2:00 PM Group Photo – NIST Lobby

2:15-3:15 PM Market Access and the Role Conformity Assessment Plays
Mary H. Saunders, Chief
Global Standards and Information Program, NIST

3:15-3:30 PM BREAK

3:30-4:30 PM Self Declaration of Conformance and How It Works
Ann Rollins, Manager, Technology & Trade Policy
Information Technology Industry Council (ITI)

4:30-5:30 PM The Use of Self Declaration of Conformance
William Maxwell, International Trade Policy Manager
Hewlett Packard (HP)

5:30 PM Depart for Hotel

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8:00 AM Bus pick-up from Hotel

8:30-9:00 AM Overview of Third Party Certification in the U.S.
Kathleen Woods, Staff Director, Conformity Assessment Section
American Council for Independent Laboratories (ACIL)

9:00-9:30 AM Confidence and Value: Certification in the U.S.
Gordon Gillerman, Manager Government Affairs
Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. (UL)

9:30-10:00 AM Discussion

10:00-10:15 AM BREAK

10:15 AM-12:15 PM Voluntary Certification Programs
**U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) – Shell Eggs
Certification Program**
Gale L. Mason, Assistant National Supervisor

Environmental Protection (EPA) – Energy Star Program
Robin Clark, Program Manager
ICF Consulting

**Air-Conditioning and Refrigeration Institute (ARI) Certification
Program – Establishing Energy Efficiency Ratings**
James K. Walters

Director, International Standards

12:15-1:30 PM LUNCH – NIST Cafeteria

1:30-3:00 PM Mandatory Certification Programs
Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)
 Kenneth P. Klouse, Lead Assessor
 OSHA NRTL Program

Federal Communications Commission (FCC)
 William S. Hurst, P.E.
 Office of Engineering and Technology
 Policy and Rules Division

3:00-3:30 PM BREAK

3:30-5:00 PM Food and Drug Administration – Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP)
 Dr. Elisa L. Elliot, Microbiologist
 Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, FDA

Pam Ogasawara, Staff Officer
 Food Safety and Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture

5:00 PM Depart for Hotel

<i>Wednesday, 3 October 2001</i>	<i>NIST Administration Bldg. 101, Lecture Room - B</i>
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8:00 AM Bus pick up from hotel

8:30-9:00 AM ISO 9001:2000 Meeting Customer or Regulatory Product Requirements
 Paul Brooks, Certification Manager, BSI Product Services
 British Standards Institute (BSI), Inc.

9:00-9:30 AM A Quality Management System (QMS) Case History
 Cristobal Gayoso, Chief, Quality and Certification
 Instituto Nacional de Tecnologia y Normalizacion (INTN), Paraguay

9:30-10:00 AM ISO 14001 – Voluntary and Regulatory Applications of Environmental Management
 Greg Swan, President
 Bureau Veritas Quality International (BVQI)

- 10:00-10:30 AM An Environmental Management System (EMS) Case History
 Bayardo Flores, Executive Director
 MSTQ System, Ecuador
- Jillian Grant, Inspector of Standards
 Ministry of Commerce Consumer Affairs and Business Development
 Barbados
- 10:30-11:00 AM BREAK
- 11:00 AM-12:00 PM Panel Discussion
 Moderator: Reinaldo B. Figueiredo, ANSI
- Focus Question: What are the relationships among Accreditation, System Certification, Product Quality, Customer Confidence, and Market Access?
- Yadira Guevara, Product Certification Manager
 FONDONORMA, Venezuela
- Ingrid Imana, Executive Director
 Instituto Boliviano de Normalizacion y Calidad (IBNORCA), Bolivia
- Edgar Sanchez, National Metrology Laboratory Coordinator
 National Bureau of Standards and Measurement (ONNUM) Costa Rica
- 12:00-12:45 PM LUNCH – NIST Cafeteria
- 12:45 PM Depart for Washington, D.C.
- 1:45-2:45 PM Overview of Federal Trade Commission Responsibilities
 Alain Sheer, Senior Attorney, Division of Financial Practices
 Federal Trade Commission (FTC)
- 2:45 – 3:30 PM Standards and Services
 Sherry Stephenson, Deputy Director, Trade Unit
 Organization of American States (OAS)
- 3:30-3:45 PM BREAK
- 3:45-4:30 PM Regional Activities of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)
 Steven Wilson, Programming Officer
 Multilateral Investment Fund, IDB
- 4:30-5:00 PM Activities of the Interamerican Accreditation Cooperation (IAAC)

Kory V. Eguino de Schmidt
National Coordinator of Bolivian System NMAC
Viceministro de Industria y Comercio Interno, Bolivia

5:30 PM Reception at DC site

Thursday, 4 October 2001

U.S. Customs Visit

8:30 AM Bus pick up from Hotel

10:00 AM Overview and Tour of U.S. Customs
Customs House
Baltimore, Maryland

11:30 AM LUNCH – Baltimore Harbor

1:30 PM Tour - Belts Warehouse

Friday 5 October 2001

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8:30 AM Bus pick-up from hotel

9:00-9:45 AM Market Access Through Non Discriminatory Infrastructures
Mary H. Saunders

9:45-10:00 AM Review of Workshop Topics
Ivan Rios

10:00-11:30 AM Breakout Session
Focus Questions: What from this week is applicable or useful to you?
How can Conformity Assessment practices facilitate market access in
the Western Hemisphere?

WRAP UP

11:30 AM-12:30 PM Forum
Walter Leight, Ivan Rios

Country Presentations: Immediate Next Steps to Market Access

12:30 PM

Closing

1:00 PM

Departure