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Dear Colleagues,

In 2004, IFCC established a Committee on Traceability in Laboratory Medicine (C-TLM). Since then, the Committee has provided IFCC with high level expertise in the specific area of metrological traceability and standardization. The Committee, under the Chairmanship of *Dr. Anja Kessler*, intends to replace two members who have completed their term of office.

The terms of reference and current projects of the C-TLM are as follows:

Terms of Reference

- To support activities regarding Traceability in Laboratory Medicine, permitting IFCC to continue its international role in this area and providing an operating link between the SD and the WGs of the Joint Committee on Traceability in Laboratory Medicine (JCTLM), concerning identification of reference measurement procedures, reference materials and reference laboratories.
- To support reference laboratories in the context of complete reference systems (accepted reference measurement procedures of higher order, reference materials, and reference laboratories) by establishing an External Quality Assessment Scheme (EQAS) for reference laboratories in order to monitor their competence.
- To promote establishment and maintenance of IFCC reference laboratory networks for clinically relevant measurands (e.g. the IFCC HbA1c network).

Current Projects

- Organization of IFCC Ring Trials for reference laboratories

Information on the current composition of the C-TLM and its activities are available on the IFCC Website, at following link: <http://www.ifcc.org/ifcc-scientific-division/sd-committees/c-tlm/>. More specific information can be obtained directly from Dr. Anja Kessler - a.kessler@dqkl-rfb.de.

Nominations should be sent directly to the IFCC Office (paola.bramati@ifcc.org) by using the enclosed application form, before **February 10th, 2019**.

We would particularly welcome applications from candidates with experience in the standardisation of electrolytes or drugs and/or with the background of metrology institute or similar, although all applications will be given careful consideration.

Following approval, the candidates will be appointed for a three-year term (commencing in March 2019). A second three-year term is allowed following satisfactory review at the end of the first term by the Scientific Division Executive Committee following consultation with the C-TLM Chairman.

Sincerely yours



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