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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOTICE

BIPEA's Director left his position at the beginning of April 2013. The Board of Directors has already started the process for recruiting a new Director.

The Direction is assumed temporary by the Deputy Director Marie-Philippe SEILLER.

For any professional inquiry, you can contact BIPEA on the following email addresses: [direction@bipea.org](mailto:direction@bipea.org) / [mpseiller@bipea.org](mailto:mpseiller@bipea.org).

*Philippe CLAUZEL, President of BIPEA*

## BIPEA AT ARABLAB EXHIBITION IN DUBAI

BIPEA has participated in **ARABLAB** exhibition that took place in Dubai from the 10th till the 13th of March 2013.



This event gathered more than 10.000 visitors and allowed us to meet many laboratories settled in the Gulf States. We had the opportunity to exchange about the interest of participating in our Proficiency Testing Schemes.

We also had the chance to meet some of our current members that are located in the Middle East countries.

During this Exhibition, in close cooperation with the **GSO** (Gulf Standardization Organization), **our Scientific and technical adviser Eric ZIEGLER** participated in the « **GCC Proficiency Testing Conference** » (in the picture, the 3rd person starting from the right).

He talked about **the importance of participating in interlaboratory comparisons** in the areas of Food and Environment.



Since our participation in Arablab, we noticed that **new laboratories have become members of BIPEA.**

## PT-WFD 2013

The PT-WFD (Proficiency Testing for Water Framework Directive) is a European Network of PT Providers created to develop Interlaboratory comparisons around the molecules classified « priority substances » within the Water Framework Directive.

In this context, we are glad to offer you two rounds:

► « **Organotin compounds in surface water matrice** »

Parameters: Organotin compounds.

Planning: expected in August 2013.

► « **Pesticides in surface water matrice** »

Parameters: Alachlor, Atrazine, Bifenox, Chlorfenvinphos, Diuron, Chlorpyrifos, Cybutryne, Isoproturon, Quinoxifen, Simazine, Terbutryn, Trifluralin.

Planning: expected in October 2013.

We will send you a specific offer shortly.

If you wish to receive any additional information, do not hesitate to contact our Scientific and technical adviser Eric ZIEGLER, eziegler@bipea.org.

## NEW PT SCHEME: 67 - PET FOOD

Continuing with our development policy and aiming to satisfy our members' needs, we regularly set up new PT Schemes. Thus, we are glad to announce you the organization of a new interlaboratory comparison program: 67- PET FOOD.

It is composed by 2 rounds, each one with 2 samples:

► **April 2013 round:**

- Wet cat food

- Poultry fat

► **June 2013 round:**

- Meat meal

- Dog food

The laboratories will be able to analyze several parameters: fatty acids, amino-acids, metals, mycotoxins, vitamins, fibers, stabilizers, amines biogenes, anti-oxidants...

April round is already closed, but we **propose you to join us for next June round.**

We would like to express our gratitude to **Sophie ROBERT** from **MARS Petcare**, for her assistance and technical support in the organization of this new PTS.

You can contact our Sales Department for further information: shellali@bipea.org

## EVOLUTION IN PTS: 58A AND 65

### 58a - Dehydrated alcohols:

The study carried out on February 2013 between the participating members to the PTS 58a permitted us to maintain the phosphorus and sulphates criteria for next annual series.

Moreover, three matrices will be spiked with denaturants. Therefore, there will be 4 more criteria:

- DEP (diethyl phthalate).
- MEK (methyl ethyl ketone).
- TBA (tert-Butyl alcohol).
- Bitrex (Benzyl diethyl (2,6-xylyl carbomethyl) ammonium benzoate).

### 65 - Compounds extracted from wood in spirits:

Following the study carried out on February 2013 between the participating members to the PTS 65, we decided to add the following criteria: lead and phthalates (DEP, DBP, BBP, DMP, DEHP, DINP, DNOP and DIDP). The proposed Spirits will be thus spiked not only in lead and phthalates but also in copper and ethyl carbamate.

If you wish to receive any additional information, do not hesitate to contact our Scientific and technical adviser Caterina MAZZONI: cmazzoni@bipea.org

## 2013-2014 RENEWAL / ERM CONTRACTS

As every year, the period of May-June means the beginning of the renewal of your participation in our interlaboratory comparisons.

You are actually **more than 1450 laboratories to participate in our PTS**. We would like to express our gratitude for your trust and we hope that this annual series have met your expectations.

You will receive the renewal documents for next 2013/2014 annual series at the beginning of June 2013. We would like to ask you to pay attention to all the documents and to send back the eventual modifications **before the 15th of July 2013**. If you did not receive anything by the 15th of June 2013, we would appreciate that you contact us as soon as possible.

**If you intend to buy External Reference Material (ERM), you might be interested in signing a personalized ERM contract and benefit from 20 to 40 % discounts.**

You only have to anticipate your needs and to order in advance your ERM samples for next annual series (minimum of 10 samples).

These contracts allow us to produce more samples and therefore better satisfy our members' needs. For further information you can contact our Sales Department (+33.1.47.33.54.60 / sales@bipea.org).

### FOCUS ON A MEMBER

As usual, we offer a focus on a laboratory member of our association. This publication is made with the prior agreement of the person interviewed. Today, the focus is on Mr. **Haitham Altraif ingénieur et président** from « IDAC » in Saudi Arabia.

#### Could you introduce us your laboratory ?

IDAC aims in order to enable the food industry in Saudi Arabia & GCC to provide high quality safe food for consumers by offering full scope of Testing, Inspection and Certification services all over the food value chain of manufacturers, retailers and restaurants.

As the Testing arm for the company, IDAC Laboratories is the largest independent private food laboratories in Saudi Arabia & GCC' and the only one that has been Internationally ISO 17025 accredited by IAS in United States the full member at ILAC. It is also ISO 17025 accredited by Saudi Accreditation Committee SAC.

#### What are the activities of your laboratory?

IDAC Laboratory serves its clients with more than 1,600 different tests to cover all the needs for testing food's quality and safety, whether they relate to product specifications, nutritional values, shelf life or environmental testing. Very soon, we are going to start Sensory Analysis to support product's development as well as R&D for different clients.

#### When did you first register for BIPEA PTS?

We participate to Bipea PT programs since 2011-2012. Because IDAC became the reference laboratories for many of Food Global & Regional Brands as well as the reference laboratory for some regulatory bodies in the region to test imported, exported or locally produced and distributed food, it became mandatory to enhance our quality assurance and quality control of result accuracy. This is in addition that PT is a mandatory requirement of ISO 17025 accreditation.



#### Nowadays what role do BIPEA PTS play in your quality program?

BIPEA supports our quality programs. In fact, as we are accredited ISO 17025 and certified ISO 9001, BIPEA PT programs contribute to our accreditation and certification.

#### How different are BIPEA PTS from those of its competitors?

Several differences lead us to choose Bipea than other PT provider.

First of all Bipea proposes a complete annual program composed with several rounds during the year. This system permits us to follow our accuracy on a long term basis. It is important for us to prove to our customers our regular performance.

Then the interlaboratory comparisons reports of Bipea are very detailed and comprehensive. It is an advantage for us because we can compare our results to the assigned value but also to the others participants: so we can position our efficiency throughout all the participants.

#### To conclude, would you like to add something?

We appreciate the technical support provided by Bipea and would like to thank the whole Bipea Team.

If you want to be interviewed and appear in our next newsletter, please send an email to: shellali@bipea.org

**QUALITY NEWS**

Quality is an ever-evolving matter. Please find below a summary of progress in standardization over recent months, based on publication in the official standards update of the AFNOR magazine *Enjeux* N°332 and 333. The different standards are classified according to the concerned PTS, but should not be considered as exhaustive.

**PTS on ANIMAL FEEDS**

**PR NF ISO 5985:** Animal feeding stuffs - Determination of ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid – March 2013.

**PTS on SOILS & INPUTS**

**NF EN 15936:** Sludge, Treated Biowaste, Soil and Waste - Determination of Total Organic Carbon (toc) by dry Combustion – January 2013.

**NF U42-111:** Potash fertilizers - Determination of potassium content - Flame photometric method – February 2013.

**NF EN 16195:** Fertilizers - Determination of chlorides in the absence of organic material - January 2013.

**NF EN 13971:** Carbonate and silicate liming materials - Determination of reactivity - Potentiometric titration method with hydrochloric acid – February 2013.

**PR NF EN ISO 17184:** Soil quality - Determination of carbon and nitrogen by near infrared spectrometry – March 2013.

**NF EN ISO 11269-1:** Soil quality - Determination of the effects of pollutants on soil flora - Part 1: Method for the measurement of inhibition of root growth (ISO 11269-1:2012) - March 2013.

**NF EN 16328:** Fertilizers - Determination of 3,4-dimethyl-1H-pyrazole phosphate (DMPP) - Method using high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) - February 2013.

**PR NF ISO 14244:** Oilseed meals. Determination of soluble protein in potassium hydroxide solution - April 2013.

**PTS on FOOD AND FOOD CONTAMINANTS**

**PR NF EN ISO 5536:** Milk fat products - Determination of water content - Karl Fischer method - March 2013.

**NF EN 16204:** Foodstuffs - Determination of Lipophilic algal toxins (okadaic acid group toxins, yessotoxins, azaspiracids, pectenotoxins) in shellfish and shellfish products by LC-MS/MS - February 2013.

**PR NF V45-069:** Transformed products from fisheries and aquaculture - Determination of net mass, fish mass and flaked fish percentage in preserved fish with cover medium – February 2013.

**ISO 17715:2013:** Flour from wheat (*Triticum aestivum* L.). Amperometric method for starch damage measurement - February 2013.

**PTS on WATERS**

**PR NF ISO 16308:** Water quality - Determination of glyphosate and AMPA - Method using high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) with tandem mass spectrometric detection – March 2013.

**NEXT PTS ANNUAL COMMITTEES**

PTS	Date	Venue
PTS 15 – Soil analysis	05/29/2013	Chamber of Agriculture -Orleans
PTS 39 – Port wines	06/07/2013	Porto, Portugal