



Annual Report

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1 Meetings of Committees

1.1 General Meetings

The ordinary meeting was held in Geneva on 24 April 2018 and an extraordinary meeting in Barcelona on 29 October 2018.

1.2 Executive Committee (EC) Meetings

Two meetings were held during 2018:

- One ordinary meeting in Geneva on 24 April 2018.
- One ordinary meeting in Barcelona on 29 October 2018.

Amongst others, the following topics were discussed in 2018:

Continuation of ARCO ISO 17065 accreditation

There is an impact on Qualanod, as so far the running costs of the accreditation were shared by ARCO Association Management AG, Qualanod and Qualicoat. Once Quali-coat had left the share for Qualanod would become much bigger than now.

ARCO was instructed to contact the Swiss Accreditation Authorities and to ascertain the various possibilities (inclusion of Qualisteelcoat, maintaining the current valid accreditation of Qualanod) and submit until the next meeting in 2019 concrete proposals inclusive their financial impact.

Composition of the secretariat as from 2020

Mr. Kauer and Mr. Lanz presented themselves and reminded that at the end of August 2018 the General Licensees and the members of the Committees had been informed about the new composition of the secretariat after the retirement of Mr. Schoppig. A transfer from Mr. Schoppig's activities to the new persons would be assured by a transition period in 2019. Mr. Lanz would become the responsible person for Qualanod within ARCO and would obviously still be supported by Ms. Kägi. Mr. Kauer would be the deputy of Mr. Lanz in case he was unavailable.

1.3 Technical Committee (TC) Meetings

Two meetings were held during 2018:

- One ordinary meeting in Geneva on 24 April 2018.
- One ordinary meeting in Barcelona on 29 October 2018.

Amongst others, the following topics were discussed in 2018:

Procedure for granting and renewing of licences if parts of the inspections are negative or not executed

Mainly in plants that have a licence for more than one type of anodising, there can be potential problems of renewing a licence if insufficient material is available. Following several discussions, TC finally appreciated the proposal that all types should at least



be tested during one of the two annual inspections. If this was not possible, then the scope of the licence would be limited in the following year to those type(s) for which at least one inspection had been satisfactory. However, the rule of passing two satisfactory inspections would be maintained. The secretariat was asked to consider the matter further and to take into account table 1 of the Specifications which stipulated the number of samples to be taken depending of the lot size. Additionally, the secretariat should handle concrete cases and find pragmatic solutions regarding the issue of renewing the licences for anodisers with several licensed types.

Official Qualanod testing form for new products and processes

The QUALANOD "General Regulations" stipulated the procedure for granting licences and testing new products and processes. So far, no official QUALANOD testing form had been introduced, and the various testing laboratories sometimes reported the results in different ways using their own forms. The secretariat disseminated this form to the testing institutes.

Form "Agreement with customers"

A table which could be supplied by the customer in a uniform manner and which would indicate important information such as the intended service of the articles to be anodised will be prepared.

Digitalised inspection report

The secretariat was asked to provide an offer for a digitalised version of the inspection report until the next TC meeting in 2019.

Publication of new documents

Following discussions about several technical issues, several documents (Specifications, General Regulations, Inspection report, Report new product and processes) were modified in 2018, valid from 1 January 2019. The amendments were so far directly included in the documents and they were distributed to all relevant parties.

1.3.1 Label Committee (LC) Meetings

No meetings were held in 2018 and no particularities regarding results of inspection were dealt with.

1.3.2 Working groups

As the convenors of some working groups had resigned as TC members or were not anymore actively following the scope of the respective working groups, the Technical Committee decided to deactivate all current existing working groups and to create new ones as required. The list would be stored by the secretariat for historical reasons.

1.4 Management Committee

No such meeting was held in 2018.



2 Summary of other decisions and activities

2.1 Elections

Mr. Deyhle was re-elected as auditor for 2018.

2.2 Number of licensees

The number of licensees increased during the year.

Licensees	Dec 2017	Dec 2018	Increase
	193	195	+2

At the end of 2018 QUALANOD thereby had licensees in following 36 countries:

Albania, Austria, Bahrain, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brasil, China, Cyprus, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Kuwait, Lebanon, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, Oman, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Slovakia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and Vietnam.

In 2018 AMELAQ became the General Licensee for Mexico and the first QUALANOD licence was granted in Serbia and Sri Lanka.

2.3 Additional statistical overview

	2017 / 2018
General Licence holders with accreditation	3 / 3
General Licence holders without accreditation	14 / 14
Licensees in countries with accredited general licence holders	44 / 43
Licensees in countries without accredited general licence holders	138 / 139
Licensees in countries without general licence holders	11 / 13
Approved testing institutes in countries with a general licence holder	14 / 15

2.4 Granting of a General Licence to AMELAQ

After a comprehensive presentation given by AMELAQ the Executive Committee and General Assembly granted AMELAQ a provisional General Licence for Mexico.



2.5 Anodizing Section of the QUALISURFAL "Agreement Group"

The Anodizing Section of the QUALISURFAL "Agreement Group" held its annual meeting in Amsterdam on 15 October 2018 with the participation of most of the inspectors. The inspectors were fully informed about the various decisions taken by the QUALANOD committees and experience with the new and the modified inspection report was shared.

2.6 Visits with inspectors and general licensees

Mr. Schoppig carried out inspections with inspectors in Serbia.

He furthermore made a preliminary audit at an anodising plant in Bulgaria.

2.7 Joint Technical Committee (ESTAL, QUALANOD, QUALICOAT)

Dr Furneaux attended both meetings in 2018.

2.8 Liaison membership to ISO TC 72 / SC2

The TC Convenor attended the annual meeting in Lisbon.



3 Accounts

3.1 Operating Statement 2018 and Budget 2019

	Budget 2018 EUR	Actual 2018 EUR	Actual 2018 CHF	Budget 2019 EUR
INCOME				
Licence fees	123'500.00	123'725.00	145'470.85	123'250.00
Approvals	8'250.00	8'250.00	9'700.35	8'250.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	131'750.00	131'975.00	155'171.20	131'500.00
EXPENSES				
Administration fees	85'217.40	79'719.10	91'756.68	85'500.00
<i>Licence</i>	0.00	38'515.88	44'331.78	40'000.00
<i>Approval</i>	0.00	2'004.04	2'306.65	2'000.00
<i>Accounting</i>	0.00	3'675.07	4'230.00	4'000.00
<i>Marketing / Website / Database</i>	0.00	6'171.20	7'103.05	6'000.00
<i>Meetings</i>	0.00	18'935.71	21'795.00	20'000.00
<i>Inspector's audit & Qualisurfal</i>	0.00	5'926.37	6'821.25	8'000.00
<i>Accreditation</i>	0.00	1'879.41	2'163.20	3'000.00
<i>Extraordinary projects</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	0.00	2'611.42	3'005.75	2'500.00
Outlays	26'826.09	29'302.44	33'727.11	39'000.00
<i>Translations</i>	434.78	0.00	0.00	0.00
<i>Travelling, meetings</i>	8'695.65	10'928.69	12'578.92	12'000.00
<i>Marketing /Internet</i>	4'869.57	67.62	77.83	1'000.00
<i>Consultancy fee (Trade mark renewal, etc)</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<i>Accreditation</i>	1'739.13	1'943.53	2'237.00	3'000.00
<i>Database</i>	0.00	1'598.61	1'840.00	13'000.00
<i>Taxes</i>	217.39	0.00	0.00	2'000.00
<i>Projects</i>	4'347.83	2'270.00	2'612.77	3'000.00
<i>Extraordinary projects</i>				
<i>2018 Training Course</i>	3'478.26	3'000.00	3'453.00	0.00
<i>Several Outlays (phone, copies etc.)</i>	2'608.70	2'647.35	3'047.10	3'000.00
<i>Miscellaneous (incl. VAT)</i>	434.78	6'846.65	7'880.49	2'000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	112'043.49	109'021.54	125'483.79	124'500.00
Surplus of income	19'706.51	22'953.46	29'687.41	7'000.00

The **net assets** of QUALANOD as per 31st December 2018 are **EUR 126'054.72** (**CHF 145'088.98**).