



EUROLAB Newsletter No. 1/2026



In Memoriam of Dr. Ömer Güzel

With great sadness, we have to announce the passing of our long-time EUROLAB Board Member, Dr. Ömer Güzel.

With the passing of Dr. Ömer Güzel, not only TURKLAB, EUROLAB, and the entire laboratory and conformity assessment community have lost a distinguished expert, but I have personally also lost a wise advisor and a truly good friend. I bow my head in respect.

May you rest in peace and may Allah have mercy on you.

Our prayers are with you, and our thoughts are with your family and loved ones

Andreas Kinzel

Foreword by the EUROLAB President, Dr. Andreas Kinzel

Dear Members,

The current issue once again highlights the importance of the mutual exchange of information and experience. So, the Croatian Metrology Society reports on its event commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Meter Convention last year, as well as on the preparations for the 11th biannual conference, which will take place in April in Opatija (Croatia) and will again be attended by numerous experts in the field of metrology.

Besides metrology, another important topic within EUROLAB is the changes brought about by the revised Construction Products Regulation. Our Czech colleagues report on voluntary CE marking via the EOTA route and the transition under the new CPR. The procedures described therein are of great interest throughout Europe. However, all these product testing procedures ultimately require the necessary testing equipment, and our Czech colleagues also report on this.

The highlights from our Spanish colleagues also deserve your attention: whether it is concerning internal quality controls in the microbiology laboratory or evaluation of incorrect results in proficiency testing, because both relate to laboratory's competence. However, the standardisation activities within the ISO/TC 336 Laboratory Design Committee, which could also significantly impact laboratories in the future, are another topic our Spanish friends are focusing on.

ASSOTIC outlines their members' meeting, which took place on 29 January, and highlights the progress of the projects launched in 2025 and the association's future prospects. This includes the central role of their working groups and specialist groups, their coordination with Accredia, and training as a pillar of ASSOTIC's activities.



As you can see, our diverse members dedicate their attention to various topics within the field of laboratory and other conformity assessment activities and share this knowledge within our community. This is the heart of a Europe-wide association and network: the professional and ultimately personal exchange between member associations and the experts active within them. Therefore, I look forward to the upcoming exchange at our General Assembly, which this year in April is being kindly hosted by our Bulgarian member, BULLAB.

Andreas Kinzel

EUROLAB President

Foreword by the EUROLAB Secretary General, Ms. Laura Martin

Dear Readers,

The start of 2026 has been an eventful period for EUROLAB, marked by a wide range of activities related to EU Projects, joint activities and joint working group initiatives with different partner organisations.



As part of EUROLAB's ongoing involvement in EU projects, a European focus group was held on 26 March in partnership with EfVET as part of the "Lab of The Future" ERASMUS+ project. This session brought together experts from across different sectors; lab technicians; VET trainers and teachers; as well as formal and non-formal training providers to share insights

and provide recommendations on the challenges of implementing digitalisation practices and strategies within their environments.

The SCREENFOOD project, in collaboration with consortium partners, has delivered three important research papers since the start of the year, addressing topics such as traceability in food, food testing methods, and food packaging, simplifies and efficient PFAS trace extractions, all available on the project website: <https://screenfood.eu/publications/>.

In parallel, a fruitful collaboration has started with Eurachem, and 2026 saw the first meeting of our new joint working group on digitalisation, offering both organisations the chance to convene experts around the table and contribute to the applicability of digital practices in laboratories.

EUROLAB has also continued to focus its position on several important legislative package revisions of high importance for the sector, such as the Standardisation Regulation and the New Legislative Framework, through continuous stakeholders' dialogue and engagement at the EU level.

We look forward to our upcoming annual meetings in April, kindly hosted by BULLAB in Varna. These meetings will provide an important platform for all of our members to discuss, brainstorm and decide on the future strategy and activity plan of EUROLAB.

We also remain committed to further strengthening collaborations with key stakeholders, finding opportunities for partnerships and joint activities in supporting laboratories and other CABs at the European level.

Best regards,

Laura Martin

EUROLAB Secretary General

EUROLAB Highlights

EUROLAB General Assembly, National Members' Meeting & accompanying meetings

The EUROLAB General Assembly, National Members' Meeting & accompanying meetings will be held in person, on 15-16 April 2026 in Varna, Bulgaria. The events are kindly hosted by BULLAB.

Together with BULLAB, we invite and encourage members and representatives to also join the BULLAB Seminar, which will take place on 15 April. More information regarding the seminar will be made available soon.

The TCQA and Board meeting will follow on 16 April, and the EUROLAB General Assembly on 17 April.

You are kindly asked to register your attendance at the following link:

[EUROLAB General Assembly, 15 - 17 April 2026, Varna – Fill in form.](#)

We look forward to fruitful meetings in Varna!

For any questions, do not hesitate to contact us at: info@eurolab.org

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EUROLAB Annual Report 2025

We are pleased to publish the EUROLAB Annual Report 2025, highlighting a year of progress, collaboration, and impact.

This edition focuses on Sustainability in Laboratories and other Conformity Assessment Bodies (CABs), featuring:

- Key publications shaping the discussion on sustainability, providing best practices and guidance for labs and other conformity assessment bodies
- Key activities and achievements
- Ongoing collaboration with our members and stakeholders
- Updates from the Technical Committee on Quality Assurance (TCQA) and its Working Groups

Discover the full report here: <https://www.eurolab.org/annual-reports>



IMEKO - TC8, TC11, and TC24 Joint Conference, 26 - 29 August 2026, Manila, Philippines

EUROLAB is delighted to announce that we are collaborators of the upcoming IMEKO TC8, TC11, and TC24 Joint Conference, taking place from 26 – 29 August 2026, in Manila, Philippines.

This conference aims to cover topics from the fields of 'Traceability in Metrology' (IMEKO TC8), 'Measurement in Testing, Inspection and Certification' (IMEKO TC11), and 'Chemical Measurements' (IMEKO TC24) by uniting experts from both industry and academia.

More information about the event is available [here](#).

**IMEKO JOINT CONFERENCE
TC8-TC11-TC24
PHILIPPINES 2026**

“Leveraging INNOVATION for Future-Ready
MEASUREMENTS for Industry, Health and Environment”

📅 26th to 29th AUGUST 2026
📍 Metro Manila, PHILIPPINES

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IMEKO

Eurachem Week - Lisbon, Portugal 10-15 May

The activities will start with a scientific workshop, followed by the meetings of the Working Groups and finally, the 42nd Eurachem GA meeting.

The Eurachem workshop "Quality in Analytical Measurements: Uncertainty Evaluation and Results Interpretation" will take place in Lisbon on 11-12 May 2026.

The workshop will focus on the key technical challenges involved in practical evaluations of measurement uncertainty based on precision and recovery data gathered during in-house method validation and quality control.

For more information and registration, access the event website: <https://eurachem2026.events.chemistry.pt/>



Eurachem

A focus for analytical chemistry in Europe

Eurachem/CITAC Workshop on Quality in Analytical Measurements: Uncertainty Evaluation and Results Interpretation

Lisbon, Portugal
(10)* 11 and 12 May 2026

*Training course on uncertainty evaluation



CITAC

Cooperation on International
Traceability in Analytical Chemistry

Joint EUROLAB-Eurachem Working Group

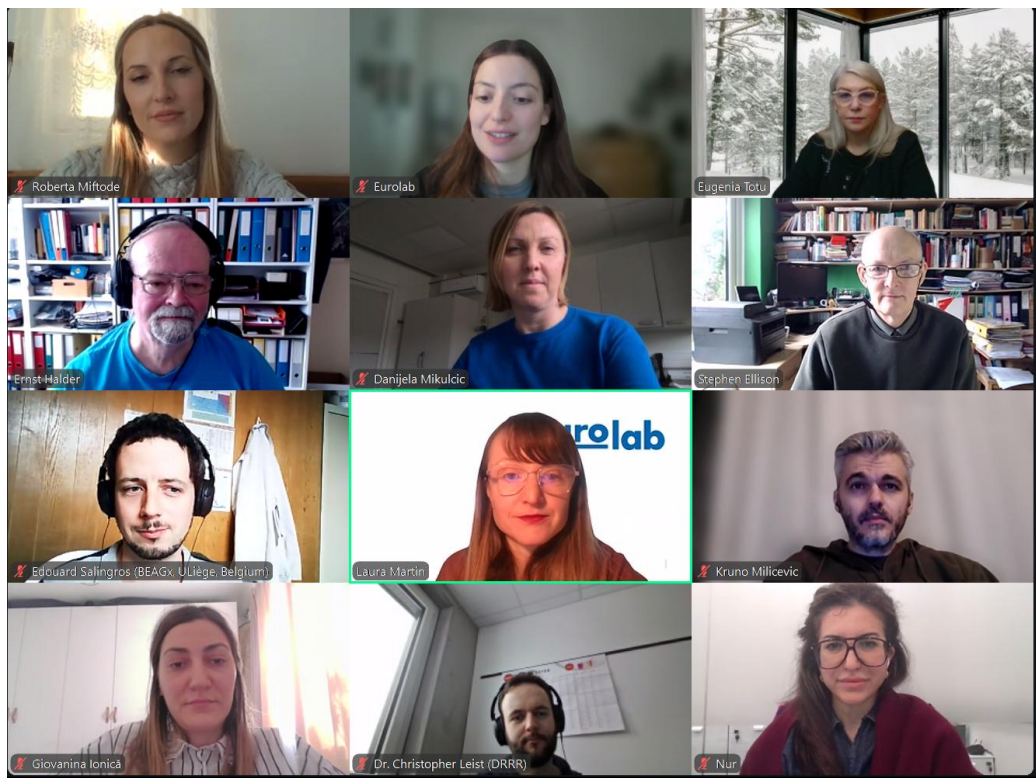
We successfully held, on 19 February, the first meeting of the Joint Eurachem-EUROLAB Digital Transformation Working Group (DTJWG) – an important step towards further strengthening the ongoing fruitful collaboration.

The discussion focused on several critical topics, including:

- Software validation in labs
- Data processing, solutions, digital tools & systems for the efficiency & accuracy of analytical chemistry methods & results.
- Challenges & opportunities offered by artificial intelligence for laboratory practices.

This first meeting laid a solid foundation for continued cooperation, and we look forward to developing concrete outputs that support laboratories and sectoral professionals.

We would like to thank all JWG members for their valuable insight and technical expertise.



EUROLAB TCQA Working Groups

The EUROLAB Technical Committee on Quality Assurance (TCQA) is actively working on key initiatives through its four dedicated Working Groups, which are open to all EUROLAB members, stakeholders, and external experts. These WGs cover critical topics:

- **Accreditation & Standardisation WG** focuses on strengthening accreditation and standardisation processes to support laboratory and conformity assessment services across Europe. Key priorities include ensuring accreditation for emerging EU legislation; addressing standards revisions and new work items; and enhancing

representation and cooperation with national standardisation and accreditation bodies.

- **Sustainability WG**, dedicated to fostering a culture of sustainability within the laboratory sector, ensuring that members are well-prepared for both regulatory changes and the shift toward greener operations. The group addresses topics such as the implementation of the Omnibus Simplification Package, including the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD); the management of resources and energy saving; the reduction of the use of hazardous chemicals; the enhancement of the use of recyclable materials; lab waste management, etc.
- **Digitalisation WG**, which aims to support laboratories and their associations in meeting the challenges of digital transformation, focusing on “the daily pains” of digital transformation in labs. In 2026, the WGD will continue its work on cookbooks and guides, discussion papers, training courses and webinars to build capacities and skills, share experiences and transfer best practices in the laboratory sector.
- **Cook Books & Technical Reports WG** aims to support the activities of EUROLAB regarding the management of its technical and scientific publications, including the processes of creating and reviewing documents according to the internal EUROLAB policy for publications; their public discussion and dissemination; liaison with other working groups, the secretariat and other partner entities; and the planning of actions to maintain and adapt the information made available.

We would like to remind you that these Working Groups are **open to everyone**, and we welcome your involvement! If you're interested in joining or would like more information, please reach out to us at info@eurolab.org.

Upcoming

Labsummit: From May 7 to 9, 2026 in Coimbra, Portugal

EUROLAB Secretary General, Laura Martin, will make a keynote presentation under one of the 4 key pillars of the summit: Compliance. The other 3 pillars are AI, People, and Healthcare

The Compliance pillar focuses on the integrity, rigour, and regulatory adherence of laboratories. In an increasingly demanding global context, international standards, certifications, audits, and quality requirements play a key role. Issues such as traceability, data protection, research ethics, information security, and legal compliance are gaining relevance. The challenge is ensuring that laboratories operate transparently, reliably, and in alignment with best international practices, preserving the trust of clients, partners, and society.

labs Summit® is a leading international event that brings together the global community connected to the laboratory sector. The historic Convento São Francisco in Coimbra will host a unique gathering where science, technology, innovation and people converge.

For more information about the event, access the webpage: <https://www.labs Summit.com/>



EUROLAB & Stakeholder Activities

Lab of the Future Project: Focus Group

Project consortium partners, EfVET and EUROLAB successfully held the Lab of the Future European focus group meeting online on 26 March.

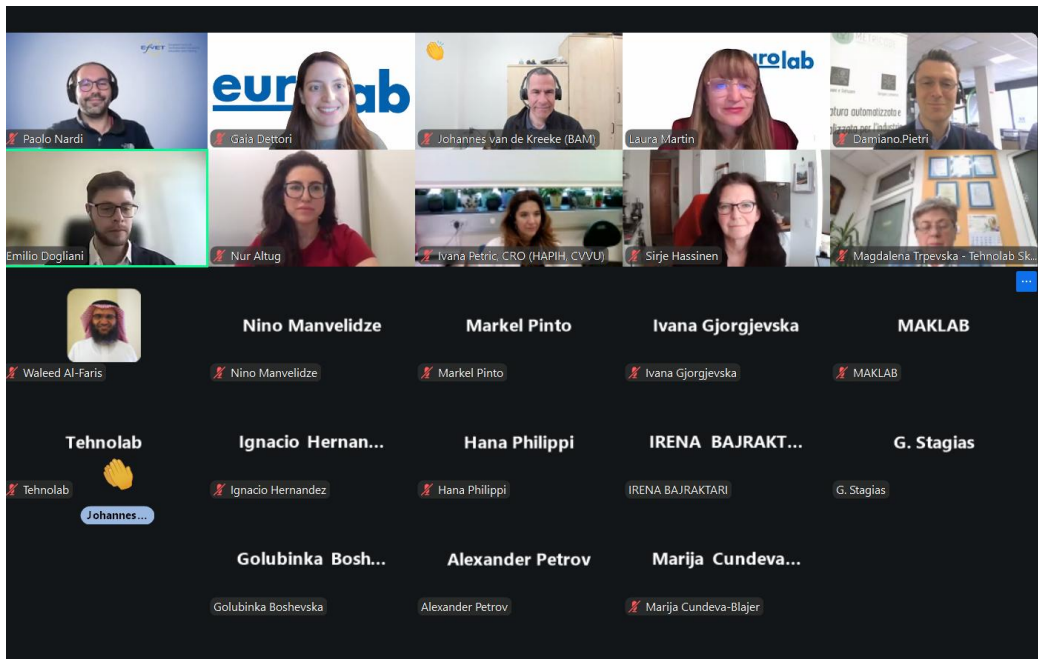
The meeting, organised to gain feedback at European level, gathered lab technicians, VET trainers and teachers, as well as formal and non-formal training providers, to share their views on the challenges to implementing digitalisation practices in their training environments and suggest their recommendations for improvement.

After keynote presentations by Damiano Pietri, President of Metricode, and Daniel Kehl, Principal of GBS St Gallen, the discussion focused on several critical topics, including:

- The importance of ensuring the integrity of digital systems in place
- Digital tools already implemented in laboratories
- Key challenges faced by laboratories and training centres in the digitalisation process
- Solutions and suggestions to make digital practices more sustainable and inclusive

We would like to thank all participants for their contributions to the fruitful discussion and look forward to future collaborations.

For more information about the Lab of the Future Project, follow the project [LinkedIn Page](#).



SCREENFOOD

As a consortium partner, we are proud to share the latest publications under the EU-funded project, SCREENFOOD.

Analysis of Ultrashort-chain PFAS in Tomatoes Using a Luna Polar Pesticides HPLC Column

Consolato Schiavone, 1; Francesco Romaniello, 1; Chiara Portesi, 1; Luigi Margarucci, 2.1
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Simplified and Efficient PFAS Trace Extraction in Cereal-Based Infant Food Using Cleanert LipoNo Beads

Consolato Schiavone, 1; Francesco Romaniello, 1; Chiara Portesi, 1; Luigi Margarucci, 2.1
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Novel antioxidant-active food packaging based on olive oil byproducts extracts

Consolato Schiavone, Francesco Romaniello, Paola Fusari, Antonio Perna, Pierangela Rovellini, Andrea Mario Giovannozzi. Andrea Mario Rossi, Chiara Portesi

You can find out more about the project and these publications: [here](#)

SCREENFOOD

News from the Members

EUROLAB CZ

Voluntary CE Marking via the EOTA Route: Transition under the New CPR

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Introduction

The Construction Products Regulation (CPR) provides the framework for CE marking in the European Union. While harmonised standards remain the main route, manufacturers of innovative products not covered by these standards can pursue **voluntary CE marking** through the **European Organisation for Technical Assessment (EOTA) route**. This pathway relies on European Assessment Documents (EADs) and European Technical Assessments (ETAs), ensuring market access while fostering innovation.

Current Procedure

- Manufacturers may request an **ETA** for products not covered by harmonised standards.
 - Requests are submitted to a **Technical Assessment Body (TAB)** listed in the NANDO database.
 - The TAB issues the ETA based on an **EAD** adopted by EOTA.
 - The European Commission publishes references to final EADs in the **Official Journal of the EU**.
 - ETAs provide essential information on product performance and intended use.
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The EOTA Route under the New CPR

The new CPR strengthens the voluntary CE marking system, offering clearer rules for manufacturers and regulators.

Key Changes

- **New market instruments:** CE marking with data carriers, Declarations of Performance and Conformity (DoPC), product information, safety instructions, and eventually a **Digital Product Passport (DPP)**.
- **Redefined harmonised technical specifications (HTS):** Only performance-harmonised standards and implementing acts are recognised.
- **Voluntary nature preserved:** The EOTA route remains optional for products outside performance HTS.
- **ETA issuance conditions:** An ETA can only be granted if the corresponding EAD is cited in the Official Journal.

- **Overlap restrictions:** EADs must not duplicate the scope of performance HTS.
 - **Validity periods:**
 - EADs are valid for **10 years**, and are extendable once.
 - ETAs are usable for **5 years** after EAD expiry.
 - **Environmental sustainability requirements:**
 - Global Warming Potential (GWP) must be declared upon citation.
 - Core LCA-EPD indicators will be required by 2029.
 - Full LCA-EPD indicators will be required by 2031.
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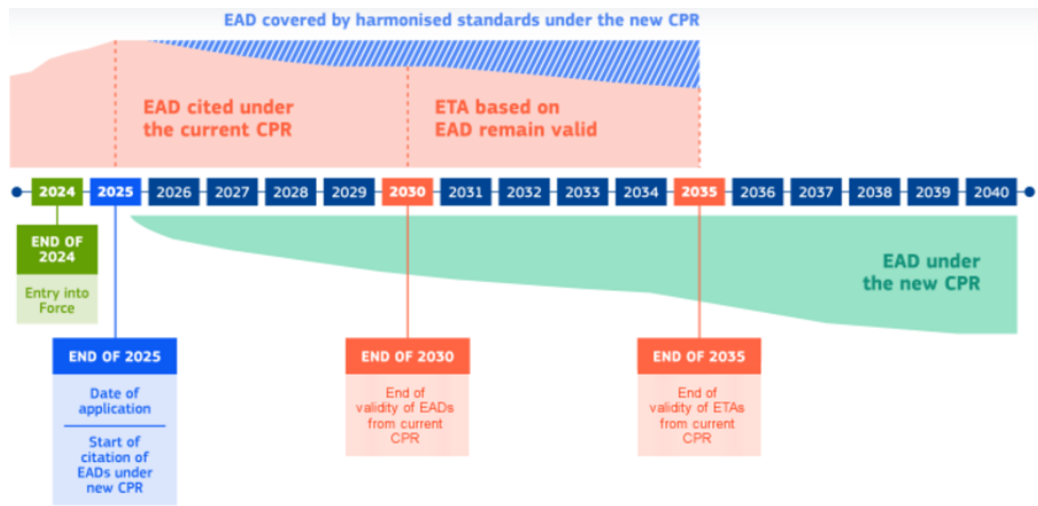
Transition Rules

- **EADs cited under the outgoing CPR** remain, valid until **2030**.
 - Related ETAs can be used for CE marking until **2035**, provided that no mandatory performance HTS applies.
 - Once a performance HTS is introduced, it becomes the sole route for CE marking, replacing EADs and ETAs.
 - **ETAGs** (older equivalents of EADs) cannot be used under the new CPR.
 - ETAs based on non-cited EADs lose their validity under both the outgoing and new CPR.
 - Outgoing CPR ETAs may serve as **test results** in the new CPR if assessment methods remain applicable.
 - Manufacturers can transfer cited EADs to the new CPR framework, but they must comply with all updated requirements.
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Conclusion

The voluntary CE marking route via EOTA continues to play a vital role in supporting innovation and strengthening the single market. The new CPR introduces stricter rules, sustainability requirements, and clearer validity timelines, ensuring consistency and transparency. For manufacturers of non-standardised construction products, the EOTA route remains a valuable—though carefully regulated—pathway to CE marking.

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New Test Equipment for Testing of Composite Bars for Concrete Reinforcement

After a period of preparation, the Technical and Test Institute for Construction Prague, SOE, a member of EUROLAB-CZ, has installed a new hydraulic testing machine, designed primarily for tensile and fatigue testing of composite products.

The intended use of the machine focuses mainly on composite reinforcement for concrete in accordance with EAD 260023-00-0301 (ISO 10406-1, -4) as well as on other composite products according to various EADs and EN standards.

The machine is capable of generating a maximum force of 400 kN in simple tension or under cyclic tensile loading, with a maximum specimen length of the pulled sample of 2100 mm. The machine can also be used for fatigue tests in compression, for example, on composite or plastic manhole tops according to EN 124 series. In such a case, the tested sample can have a width of up to 800 mm, but the applied compressive force exerting pressure is limited to a value of up to 250 kN.

For fatigue resistance testing of composite products, the machine is equipped with a sufficiently powerful hydraulic unit capable of achieving a loading frequency of up to 10 Hz, depending on the required force. This performance significantly shortens the duration of such tests, requiring in extreme cases at least 2 million loading cycles.

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Figure 1: Equipment framework allows to test specimens of length up to 2100 mm and/or of width up to 800 mm

New Laboratory for Fasteners With Machine ZWICK ROELL – Z100

In September 2025, the Technical and Test Institute for Construction Prague, SOE, a member of EUROLAB-CZ, established a new laboratory for testing fasteners, screws, nails, nuts and bolts, and dowels. The main testing machine for these products is the Zwick Roell ProLine Z100.

The testing device has extremely low minimum speeds that can be set while maintaining high-speed stability. This is important, for example, in the case of component testing with high demands on travel precision and for tests on specimens with high stiffness and short test travel.

The extensometer of this testing device has an accuracy class of 0.5 according to EN ISO 9513.

Tiltable knife edges prevent damage to the sensor arms and knife edges in the event of specimen breakage, which is important for both our equipment and the reliability of the test results.

The Technical and Test Institute for Construction Prague, SOE, uses the "Master test program" module of testXpert III testing software. The program is very flexible and allows the user to define the testing process in the smallest detail. The objective is to speed up and streamline testing and to present data at the highest level of precision.

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Highlights of the activities of first quarter 2026

Last February, EUROLAB Spain hosted a webinar titled “**Internal Quality Controls in the Microbiology Laboratory**”, which was attended by more than 150 people.

On 25 March, EUROLAB Spain will hold a webinar titled “**Evaluation of Incorrect Results in Proficiency Testing (Aspects to Evaluate and Practical Workshop)**”, for which over 200 participants have already registered.



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LOS DESAYUNOS DE EUROLAB-España

“Evaluación de Resultados Incorrectos en Ensayos de Aptitud”
(Aspectos a Evaluar y Taller Práctico)

Organiza:

- EUROLAB-España, Asociación Española de Laboratorios de Ensayo, Calibración y Análisis.

Con la colaboración de:

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Alfreda Serrano Hernanz – Consultor de GSC

Fecha: 25-03-2026 de 9:30 a 10:30 h

Upcoming Events 2026

Next May, the webinar “**What is happening in the ISO/TC 336 Laboratory Design Committee: How it can impact your laboratory**” will take place, organised by EUROLAB-Spain in collaboration with FELAB.”

Croatian Metrology Society (HMD)

At the beginning of the year, HMD began planning and implementing some of the activities that they had initiated the previous year.

Their main focus during the last few months has been the preparation of their 11th biannual conference, which will take place in April in Opatija. This event will be a great opportunity to bring together experts from different fields of metrology. HMD is planning to organise two round tables where experts will discuss the challenges that metrology is facing nowadays.

Furthermore, their working groups have been quite busy. The Croatian Metrology Society has established several working groups focusing on digitalisation in metrology, education and training, collaboration with IMEKO, and metrology in the pharmaceutical sector. The working group on digitalisation has been very active so far and has already held several meetings. In addition, their working group on metrology in the pharmaceutical sector had its first meeting and is actively organising further activities. HMD is pleased that many experts from various metrology-related fields have expressed interest in joining these groups and contributing their expertise.

One of the highlights of last year was the exhibition “How Long is a Meter?” at the Nikola Tesla Technical Museum in Zagreb, dedicated to the 150th anniversary of the Meter Convention. HMD is very pleased and proud that it was visited by many students who showed great interest in the topic and asked numerous questions. The exhibition has been a great success, and HMD would like to thank EUROLAB once again for its support in this project.

Moreover, HMD decided to organise webinars lasting 45 minutes, during which members of the Croatian Metrology Society can discuss various topics related to metrology. Their regular programme of training courses continues, and they are planning further international courses, building on the successful model of the training already held in Malta. HMD has also started preparations for the celebration of World Metrology Day 2026.

HMD is looking forward to the year ahead, which will be full of challenges and new activities.

ASSOTIC

ASSOTIC strengthens dialogue with members and stakeholders: a positive review of activities in 2025

From the intensive work of the Working Groups to the expansion of training programmes, the members' meeting confirms the association's central role in technical coordination and engagement with the business and institutional sectors.

On 29 January 2026, the ASSOTIC members' meeting took place, providing an opportunity to present a review of the activities carried out during 2025 and to share the main results achieved.

Attendance was very high, confirming the interest and engagement of the membership base. President Vincenzo Patti, together with Vice-Presidents and Board Members Angelo Trapanà, Roberto Cusolito and Luca Boniardi, supported by Director Claudio Raponi, outlined the progress of the projects launched in 2025 and the association's future prospects.

The Central Role of the Working Groups

One of the most significant points to emerge during the meeting was the central role of the **Working Groups (WG) and Specialist Groups (SG)**, which have been confirmed as the heart of the association's activities.

These groups provide a practical forum for technical discussion and coordination among members, facilitating the sharing of experiences, challenges and practical solutions.

During 2025, **33 meetings were held between WGs and SGs**, almost all of which took place online. **Attendance ranged from 25 to 75 participants per meeting**, depending on the topics discussed. The meetings generally took place every two months, with the schedule determined directly by the members involved.

An added value of the meetings was the presence of guests from trade associations in the business world, who brought the perspective of companies, highlighting challenges and expectations in relations with conformity assessment bodies. Their contributions helped to enrich the discussion with useful and constructive insights.

Coordination with Accredia – Italian Accreditation Body

Particular attention has been paid to coordination activities with Accredia, Italy's sole accreditation body. The aim of this work is to promote greater harmonisation among conformity assessment bodies, in line with a risk-based approach.

Greater uniformity in the conduct of bodies and laboratories is, in fact, a fundamental element in strengthening the value of the association's system and dialogue with institutional stakeholders, including the ministries responsible for notification activities at the European level.

Training: A Pillar of ASSOTIC's Activities

Training continues to be one of ASSOTIC's distinctive tools.

In 2025, eight training sessions were organised, with between **25 and 60 participants per course** and a total of **around 350 attendees**. This activity enabled the provision of over 15,500 hours of training, confirming a positive trend compared to previous years.

Special thanks were extended to the teachers who, with great generosity, shared their professional and educational expertise, making a significant contribution to the quality of the initiatives carried out.

The logo for ASSOTIC features the word "ASSOTIC" in a bold, sans-serif font. The letters "ASSO" are black, and "TIC" is blue. A horizontal line is positioned below the text, with the left portion being black and the right portion being blue, matching the color of the "TIC" part of the logo.

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TIC Market Trends and Developments

- [Applus+](#) has been selected by the municipal authority of a major city in Saudi Arabia to oversee city-wide waste management contractors under the Kingdom's first performance-based cleaning contract.
- [Bureau Veritas](#) published their Full Year 2025 Results on 25 February 2026 and a Sustainability Trends Report 2026 in March.
- [Cotecna](#) launched its LEAD Program, a global initiative designed to develop the next generation of leaders and support the company's long-term growth ambitions.
- [Dekra](#) has been officially recognised by CertifHy as an independent Certification Body under the CertifHy EU RFNBO Voluntary Scheme, authorising DEKRA to carry out certification, pre-certification and re-certification audits in line with EU criteria for Renewable Fuels of Non-Biological Origins (RFNBO).
- [Kiwa](#): Leading Belgian TIC (Testing, Inspection & Certification) company Electro-Test and Danish specialised engineering firm 360 Brandrådgivning are joining the Kiwa Group. This marks an important step in Kiwa's growth strategy, strengthening its presence and expertise in both the Belgian and Danish markets.
- [SGS](#): As of January 2026, Bayer Crop Science has authorised SGS to conduct corn trait testing in Canada. This means that Canadian clients, used to shipping samples to laboratories in the United States, now have access to more efficient trait verification within Canada.
- [TÜV Rheinland](#) has been designated by the UK Department for Transport's Vehicle Certification Agency as a technical service for the GBTA scheme, effective April 2026, enabling [TÜV Rheinland](#) to support manufacturers with testing and compliance services.
- [TÜV SÜD](#) has been accredited as a Designated Operational Entity (DOE) under Article 6.4 of the Paris Agreement, allowing them to provide independent validation and

verification services for projects and programmes seeking registration and issuance under the Article 6.4 mechanism.

- [UL Solutions](#) published an outline of investigation, UL 2701, defining safety requirements for lithium battery-powered electrical systems for construction, agriculture, and mining vehicles.



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