

GFMAM COMMUNIQUE September 2017

The 17th face-to-face Council meeting of the Global Forum on Maintenance and Asset Management (GFMAM) was hosted in Saskatoon, Canada by the Plant Engineering and Maintenance Association of Canada (PEMAC) from September 24th to 28th, 2017 in conjunction with their MainTrain annual conference.



From left to right: John Hardwick, Cindy Snedden, Vlad Bacalu, Erin Erickson, Dave Daines, Edmea Adell, Richard Edwards, Zensuke Matsuda, David McKeown, Susan Lubell, Nezar Shammasi, Tsutomu Nakamura, JR Lafraia, Johannes Coetzee

In general, the time of the GFMAM representatives during the face-to-face meetings was split between decision-making meetings, meetings to discuss and advance joint projects, and attending the MainTrain conference presentations. The GFMAM members also contributed several well-received presentations to MainTrain.

Progress on active projects is described below.

Review of Assessor Competency Scheme (Project 14)

This project is a Type 4 project (GFMAM core activity) and is an in-depth review of the current GFMAM document, *GFMAM ISO55001 Auditor/Assessor Specification*. Specification statements received for Sections 4.0, 5.0, & 7.0. Commitment made by member bodies to provide input to other sections in a timely manner in order to develop full range of specification statements.

Format of database extract to be improved with intent to provide a draft document for review at next face to face meeting in February 2018. Key activities to be completed will include assimilation of responses, language check and weighing of competency requirements.

[Asset Management System Scheme Specification \(Project 15\)](#)

The Final Draft International Standard (FDIS) document titled: Asset Management System Scheme, Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of Asset Management Systems, was approved by GFMAM following detailed review and comment. Stakeholder engagement approach to be discussed and decided in order to provide further input to document. Feedback from Stakeholders will lead to additional document revision. Currently, this is a Type 2 project (Commercial bilateral agreement) led by AMC. Proposal to make this a Type 4 project (GFMAM core activity project) to be evaluated at the next face to face meeting in February 2018.

[Asset Management Mapping Tool \(Project 16\)](#)

This project sets out to map the inward references of the GFMAM document suite as well as outward references to ISO55000, ISO55001 & ISO55002 creating a visual end to end traceability map. The project will create a pilot HTML website by which a person can navigate their way through the GFMAM documentation in addition to reading each document from end to end.

It will provide a baseline for configuration for the mappings of each document and provide the means to test changes before they are made with respect to GFMAM and/or ISO55000 documentation. The team is currently evaluating the commercial and technical aspects of rolling out the mapping tool to multiple users. This a Type 2 project (Commercial bilateral agreement) led by AMC.

[Benchmarking Methodologies \(Project 19\)](#)

Many organisations and industries have developed measures and KPIs for activities covered by 'Managing Assets / the Management of Assets'. IFRAMI started a project to develop an approach for defining measures for 'Asset Management' and is proposing to share this project with GFMAM members. The final project objective is to recommend measures for Asset Management that can be used by organisations to assess their progress and compare with other organisations in a meaningful way. Draft scope was presented in the previous meeting, details about the development of the project and finishing the project scope document to be done soon. This is proposed as a Type 2 project (Commercial bilateral agreement) led by IFRAMI.

GFMAM reviewed the scope and approved two new projects on Asset Management Maturity. These are:

[Specification of Maturity Assessor \(Project 17\)](#)

This project will achieve the following objectives: (1) To produce a specification that describes the Asset Management knowledge, skills, understanding and experience for undertaking Asset

Management maturity assessments, (2) To trial and validate this specification, and (3) To produce communications material that explains the relationship between these maturity projects and the GFMAM Competence Specification for ISO 55001 Auditor / Assessor. This project will start as a Type 2 project (Commercial bilateral agreement).

[Guidelines for Maturity Assessment Frameworks \(Project 18\)](#)

The project will achieve the following objectives: (1) To produce guidelines that describe the principles and attributes of fit-for-purpose maturity assessment methodologies, frameworks or tools that are aimed at assessing maturity 'beyond ISO 55001 compliance', (2) To leverage existing knowledge from other maturity assessment guidance material, for example quality and safety excellence, and (3) Trial and validate these guidelines. This project will start as a Type 2 project (Commercial bilateral agreement).

[Marketing](#)

The new GFMAM website was launched and the marketing team will continue to make minor enhancements. GFMAM marketing brochure was reviewed and approved for publishing.

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