



## **Expert Group on Laboratory Alignment for the Measurement of Tyre Rolling Resistance**

### **Minutes of the meeting of 16 January 2014 in Brussels**

#### **1. Welcome and introduction**

#### **2. Adoption of the agenda**

The agenda was adopted with one additional point on 'Report template'.

#### **3. Approval of the last meeting minutes**

The minutes of the last meeting on 2 October 2013 were adopted.

#### **4. Actions from the last meeting**

The main issues to report and discuss were:

- The consolidation of the list of the aligned Candidate Laboratories: the list of all aligned Laboratories has been compiled. Each laboratory of the reference network has to confirm that no data is missing by next meeting;
- List and status of participants to the Expert Group: there are no new Reference Laboratories added. The Swedish energy agency and Nokian have been added as observer. The status of the alignment tires, pre-test results and logistics have been discussed;
- List and detailed information of participants to the Round Robin tests: there were no modifications, except an update on the contact information.

#### **5. Organisation of the Round Robin tests**

##### Pre-tests first results

Pre-tests have been done in Michelin, Continental and Apollo for C1/C2 tyres. Idiada tests are in progress. Pre-tests have been done in Continental, Pirelli for C3 tyres. UTAC and Bridgestone tests are in progress.

##### Report template

TÜV presented a template to report the pre-test and later-on also the alignment test results. The template was accepted by the participants.

In the report, it was agreed to keep both raw and aligned values. A discussion followed concerning the criteria to decide which tyres have to be eliminated from the list of pre-tested tyres.

##### Test timetable

It was agreed that all laboratories will have to report the pre-tests results by beginning of February. The data will have to be processed by mid-February. The decision on the selection criteria will be discussed during a web conference in February/March. The pre-tested tyres should be sent by mid-April. All the alignment results should be reported by end April.

Logistic

The logistics will be done in a similar way as for the last round of alignment.

**6.** *Any other business*

It was reminded that an individual alignment has to be done for every machine of Candidate Laboratories.

The next meeting of the Expert Group will take place on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2014 in Brussels.

<b>List of participants</b>
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CONTINENTAL
ETRTO (European Tyre and Rim Technical Organisation)
GOODYEAR
IDIADA (Applus+ IDIADA)
JASIC (Japan Automobile Standards internationalization Center)
MICHELIN
PIRELLI
TÜV-SÜD
UTAC (FR - Union technique de l'automobile, du motorcycle et du cycle)
NOKIAN
Swedish Energy Agency