



## **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**Between**

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## A. PREAMBLE

This Agreement between The Pan-American Committee of Maintenance Engineering (COPIMAN) and The International Council for Machinery Lubrication (ICML) establishes a cooperative relationship in their respective areas of interest devoted to the promotion of the art, science, and technology of maintenance, reliability, and machinery lubrication.

The Agreement sets forth the general principles which both the Committee and the Council propose to follow as they cooperate in the exchange of information and knowledge in their areas of expertise and as they actively pursue a mutual aim of amalgamation of the two bodies.

## B. MEMBER ACTIVITIES

### 1. Attendance and Meetings

Members of one Organization shall enjoy the privilege of attendance at and participation in conferences, educational programs and general meetings of the other Organization on the same basis and for the same registration fees as a member of the host Organization.

### 2. Publications

Each Organization agrees to supply to the other, without charge, one copy of its periodic journals. All publications of one Organization shall be made available to members of the other Organization at member rates.

### 3. Membership

All individuals who are members of one Organization and who meet the membership requirements of the other Organization may apply for membership in that Organization. Each Organization shall extend two (2) complimentary memberships to the other Organization. One complimentary membership will be for the Chief Staff Officer/ Secretary and the other for the Executive Officer.

### 4. Identification

It is the responsibility of the individual member of either the Committee or the Council, using the privileges under the Agreement, to provide appropriate evidence of membership in his/her Committee/Council. This is especially important for attendance at meetings and for the purchase of publications.

## **C. ORGANIZATION ACTIVITIES**

### **1. Observers**

The governing body of both the Committee and the Council may name a member who may be invited as an observer to those meetings of the governing body of the other party at which matters of mutual interest to both parties are to be discussed.

### **2. Communications**

Both the Committee and the Council shall provide to the each other announcements of conferences, educational programs, future meeting dates and locations, as well as news of mutual interest for dissemination to their own members.

Both the Committee and the Council may publish articles or translations of articles appearing in the publications of the other Organization without obtaining specific permission, provided that appropriate credit for the source appears with the articles and, provided further, that the rights of authors are properly protected.

### **3. Technical Activities**

Both the Committee and the Council shall encourage its technical segments to involve the related segments of the other party in events, nationally and international, for the exchange of technical information.

### **4. Certification**

COPIMAN and ICML recognize the reciprocal nature of Certification Schemes of their organizations and the differences that lie therein. Each Organization will provide assistance, when appropriate, in training, course content, examinations, and in matters leading to certification and international recognition of both organizations' schemes. COPIMAN AND ICML, through this MOU, agree to enter a mutual cooperative relationship in order to promote the ICML certification program for practitioners worldwide with the aim of dignifying the lubrication profession. ICML recognizes COPIMAN's efforts and importance to the maintenance and reliability community worldwide and accepts to promote COPIMAN through its activities and resources.

### **5. Exhibitions**

Both the Committee and the Council shall make available to the other party, on a complimentary basis, exhibit booth space for the purpose of promoting the activities of the other party. The size and location of the booth shall be determined by the host body, taking into consideration the particular event and the wishes of the guest Committee or Council.

All requests for booth space shall be addressed in writing to the Executive Officer three (3) months in advance of the date scheduled for the event.

## **D. REVIEW AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION**

The terms of this Agreement shall be automatically renewed annually.

**Amendments to the Agreement may be proposed at any time, but will not be valid until they have been approved by the governing bodies of both the Committee and the Council.**

**This Agreement may be terminated by either party six (6) months after a written or electronic notice has been provided to the other Organization.**

**E. RATIFICATION**

**Any proposed Agreement of protocol setting forth an Agreement, even though signed by Officers of The Pan-American Committee of Maintenance Engineering and The International Council for Machinery Lubrication, is neither valid nor binding until it has been approved by the Governing Boards of The Pan-American Committee of Maintenance Engineering and The International Council for Machinery Lubrication.**

**THE PAN-AMERICAN COMMITTEE  
OF MAINTENANCE ENGINEERING**

**THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR MACHINERY  
LUBRICATION**

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