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Fiscal 2021 Business Plan

JIS Certification Body Association

1. Action policy

In FY 2021, activities based on the purpose of the establishment of the JIS Certification Body Association, such as promoting the exchange of information between certification bodies, which is the primary activity of the Association, and conducting joint activities to carry out proper certification activities, shall continue to be developed from the previous fiscal year.

The Board of Secretaries and the Technical Review Committee deliberate the problems, requests, and complaints presented by the parties concerned in relation to the JIS Mark Scheme in a practicable manner to improve the credibility of the scheme.

With regard to the dissemination activities of the JIS mark scheme, the dispatch of members to the lecturer dispatching project and to JIS drafting committee will be regarded as the core of the dissemination project, and efforts will be continued. In addition, the use of IoT technology by both certified bodies and accredited certification bodies will also be discussed.

2. Business Plan

2.1 Promotion of information exchange among members

- The Board of Secretaries shall share the issues faced by each member and desires and complaints from certified bodies, etc. and conduct deliberations to resolve the issues and foster a common awareness.

- Issues that have been commonly recognized by the Board of Secretaries and have become rules or have a certain direction (policy) shall be disseminated to the member bodies at the Liaison Committee of Members and other venues, and those that can be publicized shall be actively disseminated through JISCBA website.

- Consider the construction of a materials base for retrieval of data managed by JISCBA.

2.2 Response to requests and inquiries of opinions from competent authorities, submission of proposals and requests to competent authorities, etc.

- Continue exchanging information such as the context of symbols on the displays of certified bodies.

- Examine the implementation deadline for periodic certification maintenance audits.

Disseminate the contents of activities to all members, such as the documents revised in FY 2020 and the newly established guidelines

- In addition, appropriate measures shall be taken as necessary.

2.3 Consideration of requests, complaints, and requests from industry and other parties

Requests to be shared shall be examined as common issues, and the results shall be answered to the industry, etc., and where necessary, published as interpretation collections.

2.4 Responding to common issues for maintaining and improving the reliability of the scheme and JIS mark products

- Regarding the evaluation of JIS quality control managers of overseas certification

persons who are located in countries or regions where "seminars" that meet the training standards for JIS quality control managers have not been held, examine whether or not there are current issues and confirm necessary matters as common awareness.

- Consider measures to be taken by accredited certification bodies for non-conformity of labeling and compile them as guidelines.

- Other issues identified as necessary are addressed.

2.5 Dispatch of lecturers

JISCBA will dispatch instructors to seminars and training sessions for judges on the JIS marking scheme sponsored by the Japanese Standards Association.

2.6 Program to promote the JIS marking scheme

- Instructors will be dispatched based on the lecturer dispatching business described in 2.5 above.

- The committee members shall be dispatched to JIS drafting committee set forth in 2.7 of the following paragraph.

• In addition, when requested by the parties concerned, the measures shall be considered as necessary.

2.7 Technical review committee

Working groups in each field, including ongoing operations from the previous fiscal year, will work on the following.

(1) Dispatch of committee members to JIS drafting committee

Finally decide the members to be dispatched to the drafting committee, and the committee will make proposals as an accredited certification body based on a "cross-sectional proposal" and a transitional period, and evaluate the results.

(2) Prior Review of the contents of extraordinary certification maintenance review in accordance with the revision of standard

In the event that the revision of the standard is significant and it is judged that it is necessary to avoid differences among bodies in the extraordinary certification maintenance review, the contents of the certification maintenance audit shall be examined in advance to ensure consistency.

(3) Revision of JISCBA Certification Guidelines

Perform revisions to the certification guidelines that have been published as necessary, which are linked to the revision of the relevant standards.

(4) Interpretation of technical matters and industry response

(5) Other matters to be consulted by the Board of Secretaries

3. FY 2021 Action Plan

Committee names	Times per year	Frequency
The general meeting	once	once a year
The board of secretaries	6 times	once every two months
The Liaison Committee of Members	once	once a year
Technical review committee	3 times	once every four months *WGs will be held as necessary