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General

The Regulation Expert Group (REG) continued its work in 2014 with moderate activity, in the form of exchange of e-mails concerning the various tasks, and one to one discussion between the PoC and some members of REG. Results are considered adequate for the amount of work and effort invested.

Regarding our policy paper (CRP - Critical Regulations Position), this was approved by the Executive Board in the May meeting, for use as described in the document. The further deployment process we had outlined has unfortunately not yet taken place. However, it is now planned to distribute the CRP document at the FAI General Conference in October, and we are pushing for general deployment (Internet etc.).

We would like to promote the use of scheduled electronic meetings (as practiced in our REG meetings using GoToMeeting software) as a cost-effective way of elevating the discussions to a level above the exchange of e-mails and documents.

Working Programme 2014

The main effort of the REG for the last part of 2014 is to continue further development of our policy document "FAI Critical Regulations Positions" which is for the use of FAI in the various contacts with regulators. As mentioned above, the document will during late 2014 be expanded to include a checklist for assessing proposed new regulation/additional requirements, as follows:

- The REG has compiled a draft checklist for application in situations where authorities propose new regulations and/or additional medical, training and experience requirements. The objective of this checklist is to provide a filter to ensure that the changes proposed are relevant for the purpose, and that they will have the desired effect.
- It is the intention of REG to further develop this checklist and include it as an integral part of the FAI Critical Regulations Position document, with the objective of having a new and expanded version of the FAA Critical Regulations Position ready for distribution to stakeholders in November/December 2014.

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The FAI Critical Regulations Position - document deployment process

The document is approved by the EB. It will be handled as follows:

- It shall be an FAI “standalone” document, as it is felt that including it in the formal FAI Statutes & Bylaws may take away focus and “drown” the policies in fairly massive documents mainly intended for internal use.
- Full distribution of the policy in paper form is not considered necessary nor effective. However, the final policy document must have a prominent place on the FAI website, in addition to being highlighted through bulletins, teasers, press releases etc. This deployment process has been delayed, and is presently addressed by the FAI Head Office.

Working Programme 2015 (Preliminary)

Our intention is to identify a further 2 - 3 extra regulation areas, originally planned in our 2014 Tasking. Due to the delay in deployment of issue 1 of the CRP document, and the imminent change of PoC, it is suggested to adopt the task of adding 2 – 3 extra regulation areas with a deadline for completion of e.g. 15 May 2015, for deployment as issue no. 3 before summer 2015.

(The previously mentioned checklist should be completed as part of the 2014 work programme, and included in issue no. 2 of the CPR, deployed as early as possible in 2015.)

Organization

- A change of Point of Contact for REG is still pending. A new PoC should preferably be appointed during September 2014, as the present PoC, EB Director Otto Lagarhus, has decided not to continue as PoC past October 18, 2014, in connection with leaving his position as EB member at the 2014 FAI General Conference.

For the FAI Regulation Expert Group
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