



**MEMORANDUM
OF UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE CZECH OFFICE FOR STANDARDS, METROLOGY AND TESTING (ÚNMZ)
AND
THE ARMENIAN NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS (SARM)**

The Czech Office for Standards, Metrology and Testing (ÚNMZ) and the Armenian National Institute of Standards (SARM), hereinafter referred to collectively as "the Participants" and each of them, individually when applicable, as "a Participant",

aiming to remove barriers to trade by developing cooperation in the fields of standardization and conformity assessment based on European and international principles, regulations and standards; taking into account the importance of protection of life, people's health and environment; pursuing economic interests of the states of both Participants, have reached the following understanding:

Article 1

The Participants in accordance with this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and their respective legislations in the fields of standardization and conformity assessment express desire to cooperate in the following areas:

- implementation of joint activities towards harmonization of normative documents on interstate supplied products,
- mutual cooperation in the field of international and European standardization,
- facilitation of dialogue among experts from the Republic of Armenia and the Czech Republic in various areas of the quality infrastructure,
- facilitation of exchange of visits of experts from Armenia and Czech Republic,
- exploration of organization of conferences, workshops, technical symposia on standardization and conformity assessment,
- other activities or actions based on the proposal from any Participant and on other fields of mutual interest of Participants.

Article 2

The Participants agree to exchange:

- a) normative documents, periodic publications and information in the fields of technical regulations, standardization and conformity assessment,
- b) national standards and Catalogues of national standards,
- c) legislations concerning development of technical regulations,
- d) general information on the certification bodies and testing laboratories of the Republic of Armenia and authorized and notified bodies in the Czech Republic,
- e) general information and publications, procedures on standardization and conformity assessment,
- f) information and materials concerning training programs and improvement of specialists' qualifications in the fields of standardization and conformity assessment.

Article 3

The Participants will organize exchange of delegations of specialists and trainers to acquire experience, conduct consultations and training courses in the fields of standardization and certification. Such exchanges will be stipulated by the Participants additionally.

Article 4

The Participants will cooperate within the framework of international organizations for standardization in order to consolidate their position and to increase the role of the Participants in international activities. The Participants shall assist each other in participation and membership to those international organizations, provided that either Participant is a member of such an organization.

Article 5

In the case of mutual interest the Participants may within their competence and in accordance with the legislation of their countries settle on the specification of individual areas of cooperation.

Article 6

None of the provisions of this MoU might be interpreted to prevent a Participant from conducting cooperation with third parties in areas covered by this Memorandum.

Article 7

This MoU is not an international agreement and it does not establish any rights of obligations regulated by the international law.

Signed in Rio de Janeiro on 10, September 2014, in two copies each in English.

**For ÚNMZ – Czech Office for Standards,
Metrology and Testing
(Czech Republic)**

**For SARM – Armenian National
Institute of Standards
(Republic of Armenia)**

Signature

**Viktor POKORNÝ
President of ÚNMZ**

Signature

**Yenok ATARYAN
Director of SARM**