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# Notice of motion from Australia and New Zealand

This notice of motion was received by the Secretary General of the Association on April 21, 2010 with the request to be submitted to the ISTA Ordinary Meeting 2010 for voting by the nominated ISTA Designated Members voting on behalf of their respective Government.

It is submitted to all ISTA Designated Authorities, ISTA Members and ISTA Observer Organisations for information two months prior to the ISTA Ordinary Meeting 2010.

It will be discussed and voted on at the Ordinary Meeting 2010 to be held on Tuesday, June 22, 2010 in Cologne, Germany, under Agenda point 14. *Any other business raised by a Member, of which notice in writing has been received by the Secretary General two months prior to the date of the meeting.*



Ref: ISTA/A/F

ISTA Executive Committee  
Dr Michael Muschick  
Secretary General  
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Dear Dr Mucshick,

The ISTA Designated Authorities for Australia and New Zealand jointly wish to give notice of intention to put the following motions to members at the Ordinary Meeting of the Association in Cologne in June 2010 under Article X (e)10 of the ISTA Constitution.

The motion is as follows:

1. That the EXCOM undertake a rigorous review of the audit process to improve its cost effectiveness and reduce the overall cost to laboratories without reducing standards, by considering issues such as frequency of audit based on laboratory performance, the use of local auditors and whether two auditors are necessary, and any other issues which are relevant. The report of this review to be presented to the Ordinary Meeting of the Association in 2011 for Members' consideration and approval.
2. That the EXCOM provide an accurate and detailed set of accounts for the laboratory auditing program to the Ordinary Meeting in 2011, showing what funds were generated from the audit fee, and how these funds were spent.
3. Following the completion of the audit review process that the audit fee be reset, in a transparent manner, to reflect the true cost of a performance based audit process.
- 4.-That the revised audit fee apply from January 1 2012 and that it, and all future proposals to amend the audit fee, be presented to the Ordinary Meeting of the Association for approval.

At the Ordinary Meeting the motion will be proposed, seconded and spoken to by authorized spokespersons of the Australian and New Zealand Designated Authorities who will be identified to the Secretary-General prior to the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter Johnston', written over a horizontal line.

Peter Johnston  
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(ISTA Designated Authority for New Zealand)

