

## Memorandum of Understanding between Eurachem and NMKL

**considering** that NMKL, Nordic Committee on Food Analysis, consisting of chemists, microbiologists, sensory analysts and statisticians from Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden was established in 1947 to be a network of experts in food analysis providing reliable methods and develop guidelines for laboratories and users of analytical results, organize workshops and promote Nordic food methodology interests internationally, and from year 2007 offer NordVal International certified alternative methods,

**considering** that Eurachem, a focus for analytical chemistry in Europe, was established in November 1989 to provide a forum for European laboratories and other organisations to promote the adoption of common principles of valid analytical measurement and collaboration on the various tasks required to achieve mutual acceptability of test data and to provide a focus for improving quality in analytical measurement,

**with a view** to optimise resources the two organisations, Eurachem and NMKL, agree to co-operate as follows:

1. Eurachem and NMKL will inform each other of their activities and will participate, when appropriate, in each other's affairs as an observer (e.g. at Eurachem General Assembly / NMKL Annual meeting).
2. Regular consultation is ensured between the organisations in order:
  - to co-ordinate workshops and seminars, to exchange views and, wherever possible, to achieve consensus positions on policy matters of interest to the European laboratory community,
  - to co-ordinate, where appropriate, participation in other European and international activities (AOAC, ISO etc).
3. Eurachem and NMKL will take part in working groups or technical committees hosted by their organisations where appropriate.
4. Eurachem and NMKL will ensure that adequate information on their respective activities is disseminated to their members, through their publications, newsletter and other means.
5. This MOU will not be terminated unless a partner gives three-months' notice to the other.

August 2021, signed by:

**EURACHEM**

Signed:



Name: Vicki Barwick

Title: Chair of Eurachem

Date: 16.08.2021

**NMKL**

Signed:



Name: Eystein Oveland

Title: NMKL Secretary General

Date: 16.08.2021