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### PACIFIC ASIA LIFT AND ESCALATOR ASSOCIATION

## President's Message.



**Graham Worthington** 

As we see 2017 coming to a close, and many of our friends and colleagues are planning Christmas, New Year festivities and holidays, we can reflect on the significant actives and progress in the Asia Pacific Region in terms of standards, codes and safety related technical standards and circulars.

I also mentioned in the July Newsletter the ISO 8100 - 1 & 2, and ISO TS 8100-3, which with close cooperation between CEN and ISO, coupled with significant Global resources from within the various working groups, code committees and industry members, is on track for publication and release in early 2018.

This ISO standard is a major step forward, and is central to the initiative of Global harmonisation of Elevator Codes and Standards. Already we have 13 countries in Asia Pacific whom will either adopt this standard as soon as possible, or plan to in the future.

Currently in Asia Pacific, there are 15 countries that have active standard bodies and code committees dedicated to ensuring the safe installation, maintenance and operation of lifts and escalator products. Through these groups and Industry Members, many projects are currently in progress or planning, some with new codes and circulars being published in 2017.

Almost all of the countries were very active in their standards/codes initiatives for 2017, and include, Australia, China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Macau, Malaysia, New Zealand, Singapore, Taiwan and Vietnam.

New codes, technical standards and circulars were published in Australia, China, India. S. Korea, Malaysia, New Zealand, Singapore and Vietnam, with Hong Kong EMSD, LECA, panel of experts and PALEA working to converge COP 2012 and EN81-20 & 50.

During that 12 month period, 5 PALEA events were held with more than 200 guests attending. We are already planning our events for 2018, and will contact the various authorities and organisations once the calendar is firmed.

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONTINUES.....

The 2016 PALEA AGM was held in Hong Kong in September 2016, which saw 45 guests attend the seminar where International speakers as well as the Management team gave various presentations and was a great success Equally. The first PALEA meeting and seminar held in Macau was conducted in September 2017, and was also the earmarked as the AGM.

More than 50 guests attended, and for many it was their first PALEA Seminar. Management and International speakers, plus contribution from the Macau representative ensured that this was also a rewarding and successful event.

Macau is developing very rapidly in terms of elevator and escalator installations, and PALEA will be working closely with the DSSOPT in terms of supporting the introduction of a National code based on ISO/CEN standards.

During the year PALEA was also represented in various working group and sub committees, and attend the ISO WG, AH17 and TFC meetings in Tel Aviv in March, the ISO/TC 178 Plenary meeting in New Delhi in August, and the CEN /TC 10 meeting held in Brussels as well as various other Elevator Associations throughout the region.

Israel has been a "P" member of ISO/TC 178 for quite a long time and it was the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting to be held there in the past 18<sup>th</sup> months. The Standards Institution of Israel hosted the event, which also coincided with 5<sup>th</sup> Israeli Convention for Standardization and Engineering of Elevators, where ISO members also were present, some as guest speakers.

The Plenary meeting held in New Delhi was hosted by the Bureau of Indian Standards, and chaired by Mr Christian De Mas Latrie. The meeting was preceded by WG4, WG5 and WG6. The Indian Standards Institute was established in 1947, with the BIS inaugurated in 1987 through the enactment of the BIS Act, which broadened their scope and gave them more power.

At the end of the Plenary, it was announced that after 10 years as the Chairman of ISO /TC 178, Mr Christian De Mas Latrie would step down and Dr Gero Gschwendtner was appointed as the new Chairman of the group. The group applauded Christian for his significant contributions over the past decade and also for the appointment of Gero.

In closing the PALEA Management Committee wishes all our friends, colleagues and families a very happy and safe Christmas and New Year, and thanks you for the strong support given to us for the past 12 months. We look forward to meeting many of you during our seminars and programs for 2018.

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### Editors View.

This Newsletter is brought to you by the Management Committee of PALEA

New Technologies and Maintenance Practices are coming into the Elevators and Escalator Industry. There are Innovative Products being introduced across the globe.

#### We at PALEA aim

- To keep you all updated of current trends & developments in technology
- Consequent to this, the developments in Codes and Standards across Globe and specific to Asia Pacific
- To provide a platform to discuss and exchange ideas related to
  - Local codes and International Codes
  - Safety of the users and the technicians.
  - Risk Management of New Technologies.
- To collect your views and communicate to Global Standards Organization like ISO, CEN, Etc.

P. Gurumoorthy Editor – Newsletter

Secretary -- PALEA



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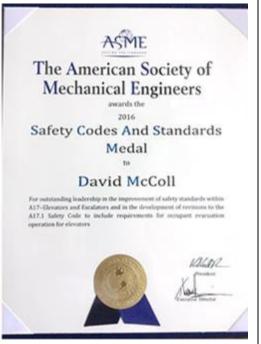


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American Society of Mechanical Engineers awards medal to David McColl





Otis' David McColl, Senior Manager, Worldwide Codes Development, was awarded the Safety Codes and Standards Medal from the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) in early October. David received the award for his contributions to the A17 Safety Code for elevators and escalators. The award recognizes contributions to the enhancement of public safety through the development and promotion of ASME safety codes and standards.

Out of about 800 volunteers, David was selected by ASME for his work in the development of safety code requirements for the use of elevators for occupant evacuation, performance codes and harmonization.

"David has an excellent reputation in the global code world," said Gero Gschwendtner, Senior Director, Codes and Standards, Otis. "He is doing great work for Otis and for our 'Global Technical Barrier Free Trade' code strategy. We are delighted to have him as part of our team."

David is currently convenor of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) Safety Requirements and Risk Assessment working group (ISO TC178 WG4) and is leading a project to develop new European standards for lifts (EN81-20/50) for publication as ISO 8100-1/2 & TS 8100 -3.

PALEA is represented and participates in the ISO committee's with, David being a guest speaker on the topic of ISO 8100 -1/2 & TS 8100 -3 at a PALEA seminar in November 2016, held in conjunction with the SEOUL Elevator EXPO.

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### ISO TC 178 PLENARY MEETING WAS HELD IN NEW DELHI, INDIA – 12,13 OCT 2017

- The ISO meeting was hosted by the Bureau Of Indian Standards (BIS), Government Of India, at the Venue India Habitat Center in New Delhi.
- Also Working Group meetings were held during the week.
- WG4 meeting was held on 9th OCT and half a day on 10th OCT
- WG6 meeting was held on 10<sup>th</sup> half a day and 11<sup>th</sup> Oct.
- The ISO event was inaugurated by Mr.C.B.Singh, Additional Director General, BIS.
- Mr. Suhas Bagde Chairman ETD 25 / BIS and Mr. Rajeev Sharma / BIS also joined.
- The ISO TC 178 Chairman Mr. Christian de MAS LATRIE and the Secretary Ms. Eva Contival also participated in the opening function.





BIS ETD 25 Delegates Participation in ISO Event - Oct 2017



**Indian Delegates Participation in ISO Event – Oct 2017** 



ISO TC 178 Delegates Participation in ISO Event - Oct 2017



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