

## Major international meeting hosted by IANZ

Over 220 people from 46 economies attended this year's joint annual meeting of the two international accreditation organisations - International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) and International Accreditation Forum (IAF) - hosted by IANZ at the Langham Hotel, Auckland. Over the thirteen days of the conference, representatives from 100 member bodies attended technical committee meetings and the general assemblies and forums. Training of Peer Evaluators and a seminar to discuss issues facing developing countries establishing accreditation bodies were also held.

New signatories to the ILAC Arrangement agreed to at the conference were:

- Organismo Argentino de Accreditation (OAA), Argentina – testing and calibration
- National Accreditation Body of Republica de Cuba (ONARC), Cuba - testing and calibration.
- National Laboratories Accreditation Bureau (NLAB), Egypt - testing and calibration
- Polish Centre for Accreditation (PCA), Poland - testing and calibration
- International Accreditation Service, Inc (IAS), USA – extension of scope to include calibration

A new Regional Cooperation Body, Central Asia Cooperation on Metrology Accreditation and Quality (CAC-MAS-Q) was welcomed as a member.