

## Agreement for reciprocal recognition of equivalence between SIR and S3C

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and

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SIR and S3C have an agreement, dated 27<sup>th</sup> March 2008, in place to cooperate in the improvement of operator safety for High Pressure Water Jetting and Pressure Vacuum cleaning at Industrial Sites. This agreement will supersede the previous mentioned document.

Since this previous agreement both parties have been working on the harmonisation and levelling of the safety rules and mutual recognition of personnel and equipment certificates.

During a review by the Global Industrial Cleaning Movement, both S3C's as SIR's set of safety measures and manuals have been reviewed on compliance with the 7 basic principles of the Global Industrial Cleaning Movement and the level of mutual equivalence. The safety measures and manuals of both organizations are found to be following in compliance with these 7 basic principles. A gap analysis has been performed, indicating that there are still small differences between the two organizations, mainly driven by local national legislation. The level of equivalence between the two sets of safety measures and manuals however is deemed sufficiently high to permit mutual recognition of the two certificates.

The differences between the two sets of safety measures and manuals having been clearly identified, both parties agree the following:

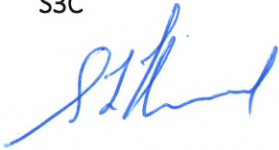
- To recognise totally and without exception the certificates from both systems.
- To have a registration system in place recording certification of people and equipment.
- To add an annex to their system clearly listing the differences and the elements or actions to be changed on crossing from one system to the other. And to work together in an effort to harmonise the two systems or at least reduce the differences to an absolute minimum.
- To establish joint working groups to discuss any future evolution of manuals or work methods.
- That on switching from one system to the other, the local national certifying body will seek assurance from the employer that all personnel have been trained on any differences, have understood and will apply the safety rules and risk mitigation measures in all circumstances. This assurance will be added to the registration system.
- An annual requirement review regarding this agreement will be performed by both parties. Furthermore, both parties have the opportunity to revoke certification in case of misuse or if insufficient assurance has been determined.
- That on changing from one set of safety measures to the other, the contractor will ensure that all equipment being used has been modified, as a minimum, to conform to local national regulations and will be maintained in that condition for the duration of the contract in that condition.



- To work together to improve workers' personal safety in all activities and/or applications covered by both parties and to adapt joint recommendations where applicable.
- This agreement will be translated into the French and Dutch language. In case of dispute the English version will predominate.

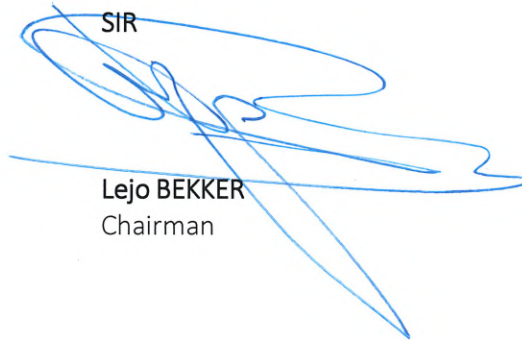
Agreed at Maasland, the Netherlands, on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2019,

S3C



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