



Memorandum for Members of GSB International

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**1977 – 2017**  
**40. Years GSB**  
**Meeting of members**  
**24./25.<sup>th</sup> April 2017 Düsseldorf**



**Anniversary publication: Request for your assistance**

On the occasion of the 40th anniversary of GSB International, our honorary chairman, Mr Alfort, is going to prepare an anniversary publication about GSB International. For this we ask all members of the GSB to send us photos of your projects. We would be very pleased if you would participate in this project as a member and thus also as the essence of the GSB.

**Please send your pictures by 21.2.2017 to: [hans-juergen.alfort@t-online.de](mailto:hans-juergen.alfort@t-online.de)**

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## 1 Inspectors Meeting

On 11 January 2017, the GSB organized an inspector meeting to exchange information on the conduct of the audits. A key objective of this event was to harmonize the procedures for the audits and to establish a common understanding of the implementation of the quality guidelines. For this purpose, the quality guidelines and the performance of the audit were critically examined in a joint dialogue on their feasibility. All participants had the opportunity to discuss their own ideas and suggestions for upcoming audits. In a constructive dialogue improvements were made, which are incorporated into the test documents. This meeting was an essential step in improving the quality of the audits.



## 2 Inspectors

Following inspectors will do the audits for the GSB International in 2017.

Name	Company
Herr Uwe Kratz	Weinisch GmbH & Co. KG
Herr Christof Langer	FEM
Herr Stefan Funk	FEM
Michael Müller	IFO
Thomas Kurz	IFO
Steffen Buck	IFO
Reinhard Sehon	IFO
Eddy Eldermann	IFO
Stefan Merger	IFO
Christoph Dreyer	ILF
Markus Witter	ILF
Filippos Karatzas	Romka
Stella Fasoula	Romka
Walther Mörth	Möwa Consulting
Anton Grünberger	OFI

## 3 Training Courses

- **Surface pre-treatment**

Date: 7 March 2017

Location: Stulln

Number of participants: 18

The places on the training course are reserved for those participants who were unable to obtain a place on the training course held in October.

The main topics of this training course are

- QR AL 631 and ST 663
- Chromium-free pre-treatment
- Process-specific process requirements
- Conversion of an existing plant
- Rest potential analysis

In addition to theoretical instruction, the participants will also carry out practical exercises in the laboratory.

- **Surface pre-treatment**

Date: 2017

Location: Wiener Neustadt

Participants: 20

- **Surface pre-treatment**

Date: 2017

Location: Düsseldorf

Participants: 20

- **Steel**

Date: 2017

Location: Schwäbisch Gmünd

Participants: 20

## 4 GSB Dates

- **General assembly**  
Date: 24/25 April 2017  
Location: Düsseldorf
- **Board – 1<sup>st</sup> meeting**  
Date: 14/15 February 2017  
Location: Düsseldorf
- **Training the inspectors**  
Date: 11 January 2017  
Location: Düsseldorf
- **Harmonisation of laboratory testing**  
Date: 7 February 2017  
Location: Düsseldorf
- **Aluminium Quality Committee and Working Group – 1<sup>st</sup> session**  
Date: 7/8 February 2017  
Location: Bremen
- **Steel Quality Committee – 2<sup>nd</sup> session**  
Date: 16 March 2017  
Location: Gretzenbach

## 5 Trade Fairs and Congresses

- **Paint Expo 2018**  
Date: 17-20 April 2018  
Location: Karlsruhe
- **ALUMINIUM 2018 – World Trade Fair and Conference**  
Date: 9-11 October 2018  
Location: Düsseldorf

## 6 Seminars

### GDA Congress

- **Additive Manufacturing – Focus Aluminium**  
Datum: 3. + 4. April 2017  
Ort: Düsseldorf

### GDA Seminars ([www.aluinfo.de](http://www.aluinfo.de))

- **Aluminium profile and plate joints**  
Date: 14 + 15 March 2017  
Location: Ophardt Maritim in Duisburg-Ruhrort
- **Introduction to Aluminium Technology**  
Date: 27 - 30 March 2017  
Location: RWTH Aachen University
- **Extruded aluminium profile technology**  
Date: 12 September 2017  
Location: Lindner Hotel Airport, Düsseldorf

- **Aluminium and its alloys – An introduction for engineers and dealers**

Date: 26 + 27 October 2017

Location: Fachschule für Wirtschaft und Technik (College of Business and Technology),  
Clausthal-Zellerfeld

- **Surface pre-treatment of aluminium**

Date: 7 + 8 November 2017

Location: Lindner Hotel Airport, Düsseldorf

- **GDA in-house seminars**

Date: By arrangement

Location: At the customer's site

## 7 List of Experts

The GSB Office holds a list of experts with all contact details, which you are welcome to request by emailing [info@gsb-international.de](mailto:info@gsb-international.de).

## 8 Lists of Materials and Members

The new GSB International website has been online since the start of June 2013. The lists which have already been added can be downloaded from the homepage. In the event of any changes, the lists will be updated at the end of each month.

