

Committed and visionary: EURAMET's Past Chairperson Leslie Pendrill



The position as EURAMET's Chairperson is crucial for the development and the sustainability of the whole association. In 2012 the position of EURAMET Chairperson changed hands. Professor Pendrill, Head of Research at the SP Technical Research Institute of Sweden, completed his mandate and Professor Kamal Hossain, Director of Research and International at the National Physical Laboratory, United Kingdom, commenced his three-year term. EURAMET would like to thank Leslie Pendrill for his leadership and contribution to the association. Even prior to taking up his position as Chairperson Leslie supported EURAMET as EMRP-Representative at the inaugural meeting in 2009. In his own unique way he greatly influenced EURAMET during this important development phase. During his term EURAMET was able to strengthen its profile in becoming a professional and powerful partner for its members.

As Chairperson he was responsible for leading activities that were coordinated by EURAMET and for encouraging cooperation throughout Europe and internationally, such as the launch of the EMRP. Unwavering yet balanced Leslie always made sure that the voices of all European National Metrology Institutes were heard. With his great diplomatic skills he represented EURAMET at many important and forward-looking events, including signing the Memoranda of Understanding with associations like WELMEC, CEN-CENELEC and AFRIMETS. As EURAMET's Past Chairperson Leslie remains in the Board of Directors for another year.

"I have had the pleasure and honour to work with many able people within the EURAMET family. I wish my successor as Chair, Kamal Hossain, and all organs of EURAMET the best of luck as we move forward as a major European institution to face the significant challenges of our time with better quality-assured measurement."