



EWF Statement on current Ukraine situation

EWF has been following with great concern the ongoing war in Ukraine and is greatly touched by the resulting human suffering. EWF joins the international community in hoping that dialogue prevails, and that peace is soon achieved. EWF believes that aggression and war are no means to resolve any disputes or disagreements.

EWF and its members are a technical organization and network standing for transparency and partnership and remain committed to uphold collaboration and support contributions across borders among its members as a driver for peace.

EWF as a technical organization remains committed to maintaining an open network for its members to cooperate and contribute for the development of its Harmonized International Qualification and Certification Systems for Manufacturing that is recognized worldwide as relevant for meeting Industry needs in those fields.

The situation we are all experiencing in Europe is an extraordinary one and taking that into consideration EWF recommends:

To develop specific actions to support the organizations in Ukraine, members of EWF, and their staff in all possible ways and addressing their needs for as long as necessary.

To suspend the trade activity developed under the EWF brand in the specific Activity Location identified as Russian Federation, not authorising EWF ANBs – Authorised Nominated Bodies and ANBCCs – Authorised Nominated Bodies for Company Certification including the ones located in Russian Federation to issue EWF diplomas and certificates for as long as the existing situation remains in place.

To suspend EWF brand assessment services in the specific Activity Location identified as Russian Federation, not authorising EWF assessors to perform activities for that Activity Location and not authorising assessors from that Activity Location to perform assessment activities in EWF network.

Any further authorisation activity for EWF ANBs and/or ANBCCs in the specific Activity Location identified as Russian Federation is put on-hold.

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