



Paris, 15 October 2015

Dear SIM colleagues,

In the framework of the activities that will take place during the SIM Week, we would like to invite you to participate in the OIML Workshop to be held on 19 November 2015.

The aim of this Workshop is to search for ways to increase the participation of South, Central and Caribbean American countries in the work of the OIML, and for that we would like to obtain as much input as possible from your side and make it as much as possible an interactive activity. As you can see from the agenda, we are proposing a number of questions to be addressed, but please feel free to provide more information if you consider it relevant to the objective.

Please let us know if you are interested in participating in the Workshop by sending an email to [luis.mussio@oiml.org](mailto:luis.mussio@oiml.org)

We look forward to meeting you in the Dominican Republic.

Best regards,

Stephen Patoray

BIML Director



**SIM Week 2015**  
**OIML Workshop**  
**November 19, 2015**  
**9:00 – 11:30**



**Agenda**

1. Introduction to the work of the OIML
  - the work of the OIML
  - capacity-building initiatives
  - helping Member States regulate their markets more effectively and efficiently, through developing our Recommendations and our Certificate System
  - sharing best practice and new ideas
2. Discussion session *What do legal metrology authorities in Central and South America see as their challenges*
  - are you satisfied with the capabilities of your legal metrology personnel? If not, how are you addressing this issue?
  - are you happy with the effectiveness and cost of your current arrangements for regulating the marketplace?
  - do you have adequate access to new ideas on how to improve your legal metrology systems?
3. Discussion session *What can the OIML do to fill in any gaps identified in the previous session and what is stopping the OIML from making more impact*
  - is it an issue of language?
  - is a new or different model required for the region?
  - what other constraints are there?