The sixteenth face-to-face Council meeting of the Global Forum on Maintenance and Asset Management (GFMAM) was hosted in Brisbane, Australia by the Asset Management Council from March 31st to April 7th, 2017 in conjunction with their AMPEAK annual conference.

From left to right first row: Martin Kerr, Edmea Adell, David McKeown, Vlad Bacalu, Rob Lash, second row: Glenn Ingram, Celso de Azevedo, Dave Daines, John Hardwick, JR Lafraia, Nezar Shammasi.

In general, the time of the GFMAM representatives during the face-to-face meetings was split between decision-making meetings, meetings to discuss and advance joint projects, and attending the AMPEAK presentations. The GFMAM members also contributed several well-received presentations to AMPEAK.

At the Annual General Meeting, the Financial Statements were approved and a new Executive Committee was elected. The new Executive Committee is:
Progress on active projects is described below.

**Assessor Competency Specification Review**
This project is an in-depth review of the current GFMAM document, *GFMAM ISO55001 Auditor/Assessor Specification*. Work is now focused on developing the specification statements and reviewing the document text. Aim is to have a draft document available for review and discussion in September meeting.

**Asset Management System Scheme Specification**
The GFMAM is reviewing and recommending edits to the technical content for the ISO55001 Accreditation Scheme (Asset Management Scheme) as originally developed by JAS-ANZ. GFMAM may decide to take ownership of the final document which would be published freely as a specification and could serve as a helpful reference for other accreditation bodies around the world. Work by the project team is expected to be completed by September 2017.

**Asset Management Mapping Tool**
This project sets out to map the inner references of the GFMAM document suite as well as outward references to ISO55000, ISO55001 & ISO55002 creating a visual end to end traceability map. The project will create pilot HTML website by which a person can navigate their way through the GFMAM documentation in addition to reading each document from end to end. It will provide a baseline for configuration for the mappings of each document and provide the means to test changes before they are made with respect to GFMAM and/or ISO55000 documentation. The team will have a pilot website in place by August 2017.

**Benchmarking**
Many organisations and industries have developed measures and KPIs for activities covered by ‘Managing Assets / the Management of Assets’. GFMAM intends to start a project to develop comparable measures for ‘Asset Management’. The final project objective is to recommend measures for Asset Management that can be used by organisations to assess their progress and compare with other organisations in a meaningful way.

The first phase of this project is to review existing measures and the work that have done on assessing maturity of asset management practices in organisations. The aim of this first phase is to identify attributes of appropriate measures.
Marketing
The marketing team presented a proposal for the new website which will go live before end of May 2017. A briefing package has been prepared for new societies interested in joining GFMAM.

For information on GFMAM and its projects, please visit www.gfmam.org