

Panel Discussion:

Should

~~C~~an We Establish a National Certification/Verification Program

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Why consider this?

- Reduce 'time to market' by reducing need for multiple regional or local certifications.
- Enhance sharing among regional programs
- More thorough testing resulting from a wider variety of conditions.

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- Existing centers/programs bring experience to any national program
- Some but not all issues are regional specific
- Parameter list will likely grow

Discussion Points

- National certification versus reciprocity?
- Lowest common denominator with regional additions?
- Performance? Maintenance? Both?
- Who 'blesses' this?

Next Steps?