



54th CIML Meeting - Working Document

**Additional Meeting Document**

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**Agenda item 7.5: Updates by other organizations in liaison**

**IAF Report to the 54th CIML Meeting**



## **IAF Liaison Report to OIML October 2019**

### **1. IAF Membership**

The number of IAF members now totals 111, with 83 Accreditation Body Members, 22 Association Members, and 6 Regional Accreditation Group Members: AFRAC (African Accreditation Cooperation), APAC (Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation Incorporated), ARAC (Arab Accreditation Cooperation), EA (European Cooperation for Accreditation), IAAC (Inter American Accreditation Cooperation), and SADCA (Southern African Development Community in Accreditation). Several other applications are in progress.

### **2. IAF MLA**

The IAF Multilateral Recognition Agreement (MLA) now has 74 Accreditation Body Signatories from 67 economies and 5 Recognized Regional Accreditation Group MLAs. The IAF MLA has 4 Main Scopes with 10 Sub-scopes. The Main Scope of the IAF MLA, which demonstrates that accredited conformity assessment results are equally reliable, now covers Management System Certification ISO/IEC 17021-1, Product Certification ISO/IEC 17065, Certification of Persons ISO/IEC 17024 and Greenhouse Gas Validation and Verification ISO 14065.

At the Sub-scope level, which demonstrates that accredited conformity assessment results are equivalent, the IAF MLA now covers Quality Management System Certification ISO 9001 (QMS), Environmental Management System Certification ISO 14001 (EMS), Food Safety Management System Certification ISO 22000 (FSMS), Information Security Management System Certification ISO/IEC 27001 (ISMS), Medical Devices – Quality management systems ISO 13485 (Medical Devices), Energy Management Systems Certification ISO/IEC 50001 (EnMS), GLOBALG.A.P. IFA Control Points and Compliance Criteria, FAMI-QS, IPC Management System Auditors, and ICAO CORSIA.

IAF Accreditation Body Members had accredited 8,374 Certification Bodies worldwide as of 2018, an increase of 12% over the previous year. The latest version of the IAF MLA Annual Report can be found [here](#).

### **3. IAF Directors**

The current IAF Directors are Mr Xiao Jianhua (CNAS), the IAF Chairman; Mr Emanuele Riva (ACCREDIA), IAF Vice-Chair; Mr Peter Kronvall (SWEDAC), the Director representing Accreditation Body Members located in High Income Economies; Mr Vũ Xuân Thủy (BoA), the Director representing Accreditation Body Members located in Low and Medium Income

Economies); Mr Marcus Long (IIOC), the Director representing Conformity Assessment Body Association Members; and Ms Sheronda Jeffries (TIA/QuEST Forum), the Director representing Industry and User Association Members.

The second and final term of Mr Vũ Xuân Thủy will expire at the close of the upcoming IAF General Assembly (GA) in Frankfurt Germany in October 2019. Following a call for nominations for the position of Director representing Accreditation Body Members located in Low and Medium Income Economies and a subsequent election, Mr Ekanit Romyanon (NSC) was the successful candidate.

#### **4. IAF Committee Chairs**

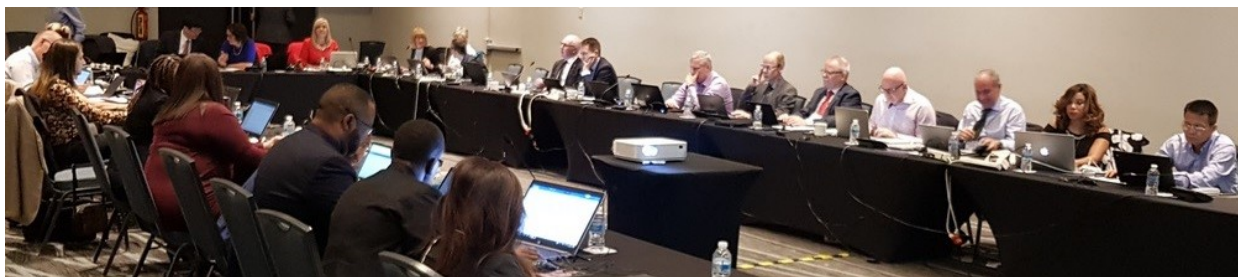
The current Chairs of the decision making committees are: Mr Norman Brunner (AA), Chair of the MLA Committee (MLAC); Mr Steve Keeling (JAS-ANZ), Chair of the Technical Committee (TC); Mr Brahim Houla (GAC), Chair of the Communications and Marketing Committee (CMC); and Ms Andrea Barroso Melo Monteiro de Queiroz (CGCRE), Chair of the Development Support Committee (DSC).

The current Chairs of the Advisory Committees are: Mr Peter Kronvall (SWEDAC and Director representing Accreditation Bodies located in High Income Economies) and Mr Vũ Xuân Thủy (BoA and Director representing Accreditation Bodies located in Low and Medium Income Economies) - Co-Chairs of the Accreditation Body Information Exchange Group (ABIEG); Ms Sheronda Jeffries (TIA/QuEST Forum and Director representing Industry and User Association Members) - Chair of the User Advisory Committee (UAC); and Mr Marcus Long (IIOC and Director representing Conformity Assessment Body Association Members) - Chair of the Conformity Assessment Body Advisory Committee (CABAC).

The new Director representing Accreditation Body Members located in Low and Medium Income Economies will become the new ABIEG Co-Chair.

#### **5. Joint IAF-ILAC Mid-Term Meetings – Mexico City, Mexico**

The 2019 Joint IAF-ILAC Mid-term Meetings were held in Mexico City, Mexico from 04 April – 11 April at the Hilton Mexico City Reforma.



Key Outcomes from the Meetings and any further updates since are listed below:

**New IAF MLA Signatories and Sub-Scope Extensions:** Since the Singapore meetings, IAF has welcomed 2 new Accreditation Body MLA Signatories (MOLDAC, LA). IAF scope extensions were also granted to 2 Regional Accreditation Group Members and 7 Accreditation Body Members. The most up-to-date latest of IAF MLA signatories can be found on the IAF website ([https://www.iaf.nu/articles/IAF\\_MLA/14](https://www.iaf.nu/articles/IAF_MLA/14)).

**Database of Accredited Certifications:** A document detailing use of the CertSearch Mark, along with a change to the database principles was balloted to Members in May 2019. Uploading of Certification Body data began in June 2019. The target date to launch the CertSearch website is the end of October 2019.

**Transitional Arrangements:** The deadline for implementation of ISO 9001: 2015 and ISO 14001: 2015 has now passed, with approximately 93% of certificates transitioned by the closing date ([https://www.iaf.nu/articles/Transition\\_Rate\\_Confirmed\\_at\\_93\\_from\\_IAF\\_Members/596](https://www.iaf.nu/articles/Transition_Rate_Confirmed_at_93_from_IAF_Members/596)). On 07 April 2019, a transitions workshop was held during the Mexico City meetings to discuss lessons learned.

**Draft TC Resolutions:** During the Mexico City meetings, the IAF TC proposed the following draft resolutions for approval at the upcoming 2019 IAF General Assembly in Frankfurt:

- 1) *The General Assembly, acting on the recommendation of the Technical Committee, resolved to endorse the soon to be published ISO/IEC 17029:201X as a normative document.*
- 2) *The General Assembly acting on the recommendation of the Technical Committee resolved that accredited certification be only issued against documents/standards that contain requirements.*

A third draft resolution to extend the application date of IAF MD11:2019 until 17 January 2021 was instead sent to IAF Members for ballot, with a closing date of 15 June 2019. The ballot passed; the revised document has been published and is available on the IAF website.

**Strategic Plan:** To help inform their future strategic plans, the IAF and ILAC Executives agreed in Singapore to develop a survey on the values of each organization and proposed strategic directions for IAF and ILAC, which was distributed to members in February 2019. During the Mexico City meetings, the IAF and ILAC Joint Executive Committee met to discuss the results of the survey. The IAF Executive Committee also held a planning session for the development of a new IAF Strategic Plan in Mexico City, and worked to develop draft strategic directions and strategic actions for the following 5 years. Further discussions on the IAF plan will continue in Frankfurt in October 2019.

**External Communication:** Significant progress has been made regarding communication and promotion for the wider acceptance of accreditation, including accredited conformity assessment results. Efforts to increase the evidence base supporting the value of accreditation

have also gone well, with the Public Sector Assurance website (<http://www.publicsectorassurance.org/>) now containing 324 case studies, 87 research papers, and 52 supporting materials. A similar website for business benefits ([www.business-benefits.org](http://www.business-benefits.org)) has also been launched, and now contains 96 case studies and 60 research papers. Submissions for posting on both sites are invited.

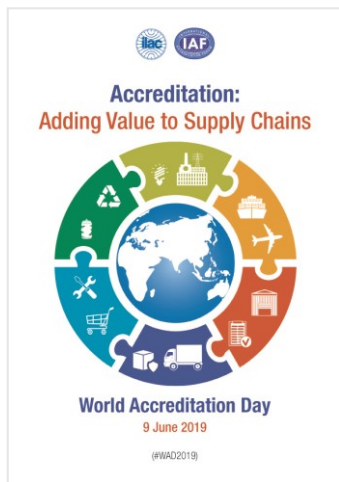
During their meeting in Mexico City, the IAF User Advisory Committee agreed on a strategy to better engage with industry through participation through panels/presenters at upcoming industry/sector conferences, with a panel at the Automotive Industry Action Group 2019 Quality Summit in October 2019 as the first planned event.

IAF continues to enhance engagement with relevant international organizations including ISO, IEC, OIML, UNIDO, OECD, ICAO, INetQI, UNECE, the World Bank, and the WTO.

The IAF and ILAC Communications Committees held a session for regulators in Washington D.C. in February 2019, where various organizations were able to provide feedback on how ILAC and IAF were meeting their needs and where there were opportunities for improvement. A number of other joint communications efforts continue e.g. implementation of the Joint Communications Strategy with ILAC and ISO, and furtherance of efforts with the insurance and procurement industries.

## 6. World Accreditation Day

June 9th marked World Accreditation Day, a global initiative jointly established by IAF and ILAC to raise awareness of the importance of accreditation-related activities. The agreed theme for World Accreditation Day 2019 was “Accreditation: adding value to supply chains”. Further information and promotional materials to help support World Accreditation Day can be found on the IAF website ([https://www.iaf.nu/articles/World Accreditation Day/374](https://www.iaf.nu/articles/World_Accreditation_Day/374)). The agreed theme for World Accreditation Day 2020 is “Accreditation: Improving Food Safety”.



## **7. Development/Revision of IAF Documents**

Annex 1 details the status of publicly available IAF documents.

16 new or revised documents have been published since the 2018 Singapore meetings, 6 were sent for 30-day ballot to all IAF Members, and 8 were sent for 60-day comment to all Members. 1 document, IAF MD18, was withdrawn.

Published documents may be found on the IAF website (iaf.nu) under Publications, and are available free of charge ([www.iaf.nu/articles/Publications/6](http://www.iaf.nu/articles/Publications/6)).

A Joint OIML-IAF Assessment Procedure in the Field of Legal Metrology is currently under development, which sets out to implement the provisions of the IAF-ILAC-OIML, related to the assessment of Issuing Authorities in the framework of the OIML-CS. It specifies in particular the requirements for the competence of the assessment team, and the reference documents which define the requirements to be assessed.

At ISO and IEC's request, a statement about incomplete/incorrect referencing of ISO and IEC standards was recently provided to all IAF Members for their information.

## **8. Signing of Memoranda of Understanding/Agreements**

The updated IAF-ILAC-IEC MoU was renewed and published on the IAF website 21 March 2019.

Development of MoUs with the International Civil Aviation Authority (ICAO) and with UNFCCC continue.

Existing MoUs/Agreements can be found on the IAF website under Publications, Documents for General Information ([www.iaf.nu/articles/Documents for General Information /29](http://www.iaf.nu/articles/Documents for General Information /29)).

## **9. Issuing of Communiqués**

Copies of existing Communiqués are available on the IAF website under Publications, Communiqués (<http://www.iaf.nu/articles/Communiqués/26>).

## **10. IAF Communications**

The most recent issue of the IAF Newsletter was published in June 2018, and can be found under News & Events, IAF Newsletter (<http://www.iaf.nu/articles/IAF Newsletter/164>). Recent articles can be found on the IAF homepage or (<http://www.iaf.nu/articles/News Events/5>).

Information on publications, promotional materials, member news, liaison activities, events, and meetings is available via the IAF website (<http://www.iaf.nu>), Twitter ([@IAF\\_Global](https://twitter.com/IAF_Global)) and LinkedIn (<http://www.linkedin.com/company/international-accreditation-forum-inc/>). You can also

subscribe to the joint IAF-ILAC YouTube channel (<http://www.youtube.com/user/IAFandILAC>) for training materials and promotional videos in a variety of languages and to the IAF Newsletter ([http://www.iaf.nu/articles/Subscribe IAF Newsletter/35](http://www.iaf.nu/articles/Subscribe_IAF_Newsletter/35)).

### **11. Future IAF and ILAC Joint Meetings**

The 2019 Joint IAF-ILAC Annual meetings will be held in Frankfurt, Germany from 21 to 30 October 2019 at the Intercontinental Frankfurt. Registration is currently open [here](#).

The 2020 Joint IAF-ILAC Mid-Term meetings will be held in Beijing, China from 30 March to 06 April 2020.

The 2020 Joint IAF-ILAC Annual meetings will be held in Montreal, Canada from 27 October to 05 November 2020.

Information on future joint IAF-ILAC meetings can be found on the IAF website, under News & Events, Meetings (<https://www.iaf.nu/articles/Meetings/23>).

For further information about IAF please go to the IAF web site (<http://www.iaf.nu>), or contact the Secretary at [secretary@iaf.nu](mailto:secretary@iaf.nu).

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**Status – Revision of Existing/Development of New IAF Public Documents  
(Time Period: 30 Oct. 2018 – Present)\***

Document Reference	Responsible Committee	Status
<b>Policy Documents (PL Series)</b>		
IAF PL 1:2009 Code of Conduct for Members of the IAF	Executive Committee	
IAF PL 2:2015 Bylaws of the International Accreditation Forum Inc.	Executive Committee	
IAF PL 3:2016 Policy and Procedure for Expansion of the Scope of the MLA	Executive Committee (MLAC & TC for technical content)	Document to IAF EC for 05 Sept. 2019 for an abbreviated comment period closing 27 Sept. 2019, results to responsible Task Force 30 Sept. 2019 for their consideration and to the IAF EC for their information.
IAF PL 4:2018 Rules for Annual IAF Membership Fees	Executive Committee	
IAF PL 5:2016 Structure of the International Accreditation Forum Inc.	Executive Committee	Approval to send for 60-day comment received 13 Feb. 2019. 60-day comment period closed 16 Apr. 2019; results to Co-Conveners 23 Apr. 2019.
IAF PL 6:2016 IAF Memorandum of Understanding	Executive Committee	
IAF PL 7:2015 Quality Manual	Executive Committee	
IAF PL 8:2016 Rules for the Use of the IAF Logo	Executive Committee (CMC for technical content)	
IAF PL X:201X General Principles on the Use of the IAF CERTSEARCH Mark		Approval to send for 60-day comment received 14 Nov. 2018. 60-day comment period closed 16 Jan. 2019; results to DMC Chair 17 Jan. 2019. Approval to send for a second 60-day comment received 06 Feb. 2019. Second 60-day comment period closed 08 Apr. 2019; results to Acting DMC Chair 14 Apr. 2019. OK to ballot received 07 May 2019. Ballot closed 07 Jun. 2019; results to Acting DMC Chair and IAF Members 07 Jun. 2019.
<b>Multilateral Recognition Arrangement Documents (ML Series)</b>		
IAF ML 1:2016 Procedure for Exchange of Documentation among IAF MLA Accreditation Bodies	MLA Committee	
IAF ML 2:2016 General Principles on Use of the IAF MLA Mark	MLA Committee	
IAF ML 3:2012 Guidance for responding to Inquiries on Multilateral Recognition Arrangement (MLA) Signatory Equivalence and on the Acceptance of Certification	MLA Committee	



Documents		
IAF ML 4: 2016 MLA Policies and Procedures for a Multilateral Recognition Arrangement (MLA) on the Level of Single Accreditation Bodies and on the Level of Regional Groups	MLA Committee	
<b>IAF Informative Documents (ID Series)</b>		
IAF ID 1:2014 IAF Informative Document for QMS and EMS Scopes of Accreditation	Technical Committee	
IAF ID 3:2011 Informative Document for Management of Extraordinary Events or Circumstances Affecting AB's, CAB's and Certified Organizations	Technical Committee	
IAF ID 4:2012 Market Surveillance Visits to Certified Organizations	Technical Committee	
IAF ID 8:2014 Informative Document for the Transition of Food Safety Management Systems Accreditation to ISO/TS 22003:2013 from ISO/TS 22003:2007.	Technical Committee	
IAF ID 9:2015 Transition Planning Guidance for ISO 9001: 2015	Technical Committee	
IAF ID 10:2015 Transition Planning Guidance for ISO 14001: 2015	Technical Committee	
IAF ID 11:2015 Information on the Transition of Management System Accreditation to ISO/IEC 17021-1: 2015 from ISO/IEC 17021:2011	Technical Committee	
IAF ID 12:2015 Principles on Remote Assessment	Technical Committee	
IAF ID 13:2017 IAF Medical Device Nomenclature (IAF MDN) Including Medical Device Risk Classifications	Technical Committee	
<b>IAF Mandatory Documents (MD Series)</b>		
IAF MD 1:2018 IAF Mandatory Document for the Audit and Certification of a Management System Operated by a Multi-Site Organization	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 2:2017 Transfer of Accredited Certification of Management Systems	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 3:2008 Advanced Surveillance and Recertification Procedures (ASRP)	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 4:2018 IAF Mandatory Document for the Use of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) for Auditing/Assessment Purposes	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 5:2019 Determination of Audit Time of Quality, Environmental, and Occupational Health & Safety Management Systems	Technical Committee	Final agreement to circulate revised draft to IAF Members for 60-day comment received 30 Apr. 2018. 60-day comment period closed 02 Jul. 2018; results to Convener 13 Jul. OK to ballot received 27 Oct. 2018. 30-day ballot closed 17 Dec. 2018; results to Co-Conveners 18 Dec. 2018. OK to publish received 13 Jan. 2019 but

		agreed to publish at same time as MD 17:2019 and MD 22:2019. Final OK to publish received 06 May 2019. Issue 4 published 07 May 2019.
IAF MD 6:2014 Application of ISO 14065:2013	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 7:2010 Harmonization of Sanctions	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 8:2017 Application of ISO/IEC 17011 in the Field of Medical Device Quality Management Systems (ISO 13485)	Technical Committee	Approval for 60-day comment received 16 Aug. 2019, comment period closing 16 Oct. 2019.
IAF MD 9:2017 Application of ISO/IEC 17021 in Medical Device Quality Management Systems (ISO 13485)	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 10:2013 IAF Mandatory Document for Assessment of Certification Body Management of Competence in Accordance with ISO/IEC 17021: 2011	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 11:2019 IAF Mandatory Document for the Application of ISO/IEC 17021-1 for Audits of Integrated Management Systems	Technical Committee	60-day comment period closed 08 Apr. 2018; comments sent directly to Convener for collation. Approval for ballot received 18 Jun. 2018. 30-day ballot to all IAF Members closed 27 Jul. 2018; results to Co-Conveners 27 Jul. 2018. OK to publish received 10 Oct. 2018, implementation date confirmed 06 Dec. 2018. Final OK to publish received 09 Jan. 2019. Issue 2 published 17 Jan. 2019.  It was proposed during the Apr. Mexico City TC meeting that the application date be extended 1 year. OK to ballot received 14 May 2019. 30-day ballot closed 14 Jun.; results to TC Chair 19 Jun. OK to publish received 20 Jun. 2019. Issue 2, Version 2 published 03 Jul. 2019.
IAF MD 12:2016 Accreditation Assessment of Conformity Assessment Bodies with Activities in Multiple Countries	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 13:2015 Knowledge Requirements for Accreditation Bodies Auditing and Certifying ISMS Systems (ISO/IEC 27001)	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 14:2014 Application of ISO/IEC 17011 in GHG Validation and Verification (ISO 14065: 2013)	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 15:2014 IAF Mandatory Document for the Collection of Data to Provide Indicators of Management System Certification Bodies' Performance	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 16:2015 Application of ISO/IEC 17011 for the Accreditation of Food Safety Management Systems (FSMS) Certification Bodies	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 17:2019 Witnessing Activities for the	Technical Committee	Final agreement to circulate draft

Accreditation of Management Systems Certification Bodies		revised document to IAF Members for comment received 30 Apr. 2018. 60-day comment period closed 02 Jul. 2018, results to Co-Conveners 11 Jul. 2018. OK to ballot received 27 Oct. 2018. 30-day ballot closed 17 Dec. 2018; results to Co-Conveners 18 Dec. 2018. OK to publish received 15 Jan. 2019 but agreed to publish at same time as MD 5:2019 and MD 22:2019. Final OK to publish received 06 May 2019. Issue 2 published 07 May 2019.
IAF MD 18:2015 Application of ISO/IEC 17021: 2011 in the Service Management Sector (ISO/IEC 20000-1)	Technical Committee	Withdrawn 17 Jul. 2019 in accordance with IAF Resolution 2017-18.
IAF MD20:2016 Generic Competence for AB Assessors: Application to ISO/IEC 17011	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 21: 2018 Requirements on the Migration to ISO 45001:2018 from OHSAS 18001:2007	Technical Committee	
IAF MD 22:2019 Application of ISO/IEC 17021-1 for the Certification of Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems (OH&SMS)	Technical Committee	Approval to circulate for 60-day comment received 14 Nov. 2018. 60-day comment period closed 16 Jan. 2019; results to Co-Conveners 19 Jan. 2019. OK to ballot received 14 Feb. 2019; 30-day ballot closed 18 Mar. 2019; results to Conveners 19 Mar. 2019. OK to publish received 24 Mar. 2019 but agreed to publish at same time as MD 5:2019 and MD 17:2019. Final OK to publish received 06 May 2019. Issue 2 published 07 May 2019.
IAF MD 23: 2018 Control of Entities Operating on Behalf of Accredited Certification Bodies	Technical Committee	
IAF MDX: 201X Evaluation of Conformity Assessment Scheme	Technical Committee	Approval to circulate for 60-day comment received 05 Mar. 2018. 60-day comment period closed 07 May 2018; results to Co-Conveners 09 May 2018. <b>Note: Following the TC meeting in Mexico City, it was agreed to accept further input on the draft document at the TC level (closing date for comments: 15 May 2019).</b>
<b>IAF Procedures Documents (PR Series)</b>		
IAF PR 1:2015 Procedure for the Investigation and Resolution of Complaints	Executive Committee	
IAF PR 2:2012 General Procedures for the Development of IAF Documents	Executive Committee	Approval to circulate for 60-day comment received 11 Apr. 2018. 60-day comment period closed 16 Jul. 2018; results to Convener 24 Jul. 2018. OK to ballot received 20 Aug. 2018. 30-day ballot to all Members closed 24 Oct. 2018; results to Convener 25 Oct. 2018. OK to publish received 21 Nov. 2018. Issue 4 published 23 Nov. 2018.

IAF QMS-003: Rules for the Formatting of IAF Documents	Executive Committee	Approval to circulate for 60-day comment received 11 Apr. 2018. 60-day comment period closed 16 Jul. 2018. OK to ballot received 20 Nov. 2018. 30-day ballot closed 24 Dec. 2018; results to Convener 24 Dec. 2018. OK to publish received 18 Jan. 2019. Issue 1 published 22 Jan. 2019.
IAF PR 3:2005 Procedures for IAF General Assembly Meetings	Executive Committee	
IAF PR 4:2015 Structure of the IAF MLA and List of Endorsed Normative Documents	Executive (MLAC for technical content)	Changes to the list of endorsed normative documents are required as a result of IAF Resolutions 2016-13 and 2016-16. The IAF EC agreed in Apr. 2019 to split PR4 into two documents, with the majority of the current document being rebranded as a new ML5 document. Discussions are ongoing regarding the new ML5 document being added to a revision to PL3 instead.
IAF PR 5:2018 Procedure for Handling Applications for MoU Membership in IAF	Executive Committee	
IAF PR 6:2011 Assignment of IAF Liaisons	Executive Committee	
<b>IAF-ILAC Joint Publications (A Series)</b>		
IAF/ILAC A1: 01/2018 IAF/ILAC Multi-Lateral Mutual Recognition Arrangements (Arrangements): Requirements and Procedures for Evaluation of a Regional Group	MLA Committee (JWGA)	Under revision for updated definition of findings. 60-day comment period closed 06 May 2019. Comments to Co-Conveners 10 May 2019.
IAF/ILAC A2: 01/2018 IAF/ILAC Multi-Lateral Mutual Recognition Arrangements (Arrangements): Requirements and Procedures for Evaluation of a Single Accreditation Body	MLA Committee (JWGA)	
IAF/ILAC A3:01/2018 IAF/ILAC Multi-Lateral Mutual Recognition Arrangements (Arrangements): Template report for the peer evaluation of an Accreditation Body based on ISO/IEC 17011:2017	MLA Committee (JWGA)	Under revision for updated definition of findings. 60-day comment period closed 06 May 2019. Comments to Co-Conveners 10 May 2019.
IAF/ILAC A5: 11/2013 IAF/ILAC Multi-Lateral Mutual Recognition Arrangements (Arrangements): Application of ISO/IEC 17011:2004	Technical Committee (JWGA)	
IAF/ILAC A6: 01/2018 Approval Process for IAF/ILAC A-Series Documents	Joint Executive Committee	
<b>Documents for General Information</b>		
IAF Public Document Responsibility: July 2019	IAF Secretary	Published 02 Jul. 2019.
IAF Representatives, Contacts and Liaisons: July 2019	IAF Secretary	Published 02 Jul. 2019.
IAF Strategic Plan 2015 – 2019	Executive Committee	
<b>Joint Publications with other Organizations</b>		

Expected Outcomes for Accredited Certification to ISO Management system standards such as ISO 9001 and 14001	JSG ISO-IAF-ILAC	
IECEE-ILAC-IAF Guidance for the Conduct of Unified Assessments in the Electrotechnical Sector		
Joint IAF-OIML Assessment Procedure in the Field of Legal Metrology	Technical Committee	Approval to send for 60-day comment received 02 Jul. 2019. 60-day comment period closed 02 Sept. 2019; <b>results to Co-Conveners 06 Sept. 2019.</b>
<b>Memoranda of Understanding Signed by IAF</b>		
IAF-ILAC Agreement on Closer Cooperation (25 Oct. 2012)	Executive Committee	
IAF-ILAC-IEC Memorandum of Understanding (28 Nov. 2018)	Executive Committee	30-day JEC review period closed 10 May 2018. Draft MoU sent to IEC 18 Jun. 2018 for their consideration. Response received from IEC 21 Nov. 2018. Agreement from IAF and ILAC Chairs to proposed responses received 22 Nov. 2018. Request to IEC for agreement with proposed changes sent to IEC 22 Nov. 2018. Response received 03 Dec. 2019. The signed MoU was published 21 Mar. 2019.
IAF-ILAC-ITU Memorandum of Understanding (14 May 2012)	Executive Committee	
IAF-ILAC-OIML Memorandum of Understanding (10 Oct. 2018)	Executive Committee	
IAF-GLOBALG.A.P Memorandum of Understanding (29 May 2009)	Executive Committee	
IAF-ILAC-ISO Memorandum of Understanding (10 Apr. 2014)	Executive Committee	
IAF-ILAC-UNIDO Memorandum of Understanding (24 Nov. 2017)	Executive Committee	
IAF-ILAC-World Bank Memorandum of Understanding (30 Oct. 2018)	Executive Committee	JEC comment period closed 17 Aug. 2018. Concurrence from the World Bank on the MoU received 23 Sep. 2018. The MoU was signed 30 Oct. 2018 and published 19 Nov. 2018.
IAF-ILAC-IHAF Memorandum of Understanding (30 Oct. 2018)	Executive Committee	Three-week comment period for all IAF and ILAC Members closed 28 Jun. 2018. Concurrence from IHAF on the MoU received 05 Oct. 2018. The MoU was signed 30 Oct. 2018. Published 19 Nov. 2018.
IAF-FoodPLUS Agreement - Endorsement of the GLOBALG.A.P. Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA) Certification Scheme (25 Oct. 2013)	Executive Committee	

IAF-FAMI-QS Agreement - Endorsement of the FAMI-QS Certification Scheme (29 Oct. 2017)	Executive Committee	
IAF-IPC Agreement - Endorsement of the IPC Management System Auditors Certification Scheme (28 Oct. 2017)	Executive Committee	
IAF-GFSI Agreement - Endorsement of GFSI Benchmarked Schemes (05 Apr. 2018)	Executive Committee	
IAF-ICAO Training MoU	Executive Committee	<p>Comment period for IAF Members closed 03 Dec. 2018. Proposed revisions provided to ICAO on 13 Dec. 2018. Response received on 14 Dec. 2018. Revised document circulated to EC Members for approval on 18 Dec. 2018. Document sent to ICAO for signature 03 Jan. 2019. Further changes proposed by ICAO 09 May 2019. Draft responses to ICAO comments were provided to the IAF EC 20 Jun. for concurrence by 26 Jun. 2019. Draft final MoU provided to EC Members 09 Jul. for their information. Draft final document provided to ICAO for their consideration 31 Jul. 2019.</p> <p><b>ICAO agreement with draft final document received 23 Aug. 2019.</b></p>
<b>Communiqués Signed by IAF</b>		
Joint IAF-ILAC-ISO Communiqué on the Management system requirements of ISO 15189:2012 - Medical laboratories - Particular requirements for quality and competence (and related press release) (Jan. 2015)	Members of the JSG ISO-IAF-ILAC	
Joint IAF-ILAC-ISO Communiqué on Management Systems Requirements of ISO/IEC 17020:2012, Conformity assessment - Requirements for the operation of bodies performing inspection (Sept. 2013)	Members of the JSG ISO-IAF-ILAC	
Joint ISO-ILAC-IAF Communiqué on the Management Systems Requirements of ISO/IEC 17025, General Requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories (Apr. 2017)	Members of the JSG ISO-IAF-ILAC	
Joint IAF-ISO Communiqué on the publication and transition of ISO 9001:2015 (Oct. 2015)	Members of the JSG ISO-IAF-ILAC	
Joint IAF-ISO Communiqué - One year to ISO 9001 and 14001 transition deadline (Sept. 2017)	Executive Committee	
Joint IAF-IEC Communiqué on IAF Resolution 2018-13	Executive Committee	<p>A proposed Communiqué was received from IEC on 06 Feb. 2019 and circulated to EC members on 08 Feb. 2019 for consideration, with an initial comment period closing 18 Feb. 2019, and a second closing 04 Mar. 2019.</p>
IAF Communiqué - Important information for Certification Bodies regarding transition to ISO 9001	Executive Committee	

and ISO 14001 (Oct. 2017)		
IAF Communiqué - 2015 ISO Transition Deadline Approaching (Apr. 2018)	Executive Committee	
<b>Promotional Documents</b>		
IAF B1 1/2012 IAF – An Overview	IAF Communications & Marketing Committee (CMC)	It was agreed at the 2016 CMC meeting in Pretoria that an initial review of the brochure would be completed; after which the draft changes would be provided to all CMC Members for review. The revised brochure was reviewed at 2019 CMC meeting in Washington for further updates. <b>Currently on hold pending the launch of IAF CertSearch (06 Sept. 2019).</b>
IAF B2 1/2012 The IAF Multilateral Recognition Arrangement (MLA)	IAF CMC	To be revised with simpler language and APAC update following the 2019 revision of IAF PR4.
IAF B3 1/2012 Why Use an Accredited Certification Body?	IAF CMC	It was agreed at the 2016 CMC meeting in Pretoria that an initial review of the brochure would be completed; after which the draft changes would be provided to all CMC Members for review. <b>Pending final review.</b>
IAF B4 1/2012 How Does Accredited Certification Benefit Regulators?	IAF CMC	It was agreed at the 2016 CMC meeting in Pretoria that an initial review of the brochure would be completed; after which the draft changes would be provided to all CMC Members for review. The revised brochure was reviewed at 2019 CMC meeting in Washington for further updates. One edit was identified. <b>Publication pending.</b>
IAF B5 1/2012 The IAF Initiative for Accredited Certification to ISO 13485 – Medical Devices	IAF CMC	Under review.
IAF Overview (Presentation)	IAF CMC	Revision 4 published 01 Feb. 2019. Revision 5 published 22 Aug. 2019.
IAF-ILAC Handbook	IAF CMC and IAF MCC	2019 revision published 01 Feb. 2019. A Handbook with further changes was published 06 Mar. 2019, and another 06 Sept. 2019.
IAF Multilateral Recognition Arrangement (MLA) Annual Report	IAF CMC	Data from Regional representatives due 15 Feb. 2019. Last input was received 04 Apr. 2019. The 2018 MLA Annual Report was published 26 Jun.. 2019. The related Infographic was published 15 Aug. 2019.
The Value of Accredited Certification Survey Report 2012	IAF CMC	Still valid.



Factsheet – Specifying Accreditation in Regulation	Communications & Marketing Committee	Review due 2022.
IAF/ILAC B1 09/2018 The route to signing the IAF or ILAC Arrangements	IAF CMC and ILAC MCC	Review due 2022 (jointly with ILAC).
IAF/ILAC B2 09/2018 How do I Gain Confidence in an Inspection Body? Do They Need ISO 9001 Certification or ISO/IEC 17020 Accreditation?	IAF CMC and ILAC MCC	Review due 2022 (jointly with ILAC).
IAF/ILAC B3 01/2018 Accreditation: Supporting Safe Food and Clean Drinking Water	IAF CMC and ILAC MCC	Review due 2022 (jointly with ILAC).
IAF/ILAC B5 01/2018 Accreditation: Facilitating World Trade	IAF CMC and ILAC MCC	Review due 2022 (jointly with ILAC).
IAF/ILAC B6 9/2018 Accreditation: Delivering Confidence in the Provision of Energy	IAF CMC and ILAC MCC	Review due 2022 (jointly with ILAC).
IAF/ILAC B7 02/2015 Accreditation: Supporting the Delivery of Health and Social Care	IAF CMC and ILAC MCC	Review due 2019 (jointly with ILAC).
IAF/ILAC B8 01/2018 Accreditation: Delivering Confidence in Construction and the Built Environment	IAF CMC and ILAC MCC	Review due 2022 (jointly with ILAC).
IAF/ILAC B9 01/2018 Accreditation: A Global Tool to Support Public Policy	IAF CMC and ILAC MCC	Review due 2022 (jointly with ILAC).

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