

SLAB POLICY ON TRANSITION TO ISO 50001: 2018

Transition to ISO 50001: 2018

SLAB accredited and applicant Energy Management Systems certification Bodies are required to comply with the requirements of this policy commencing 1st January 2019. The new ISO 50001:2018 standard was published on the 21st August 2018 and will replace ISO 50001: 2011. The agreed transition period is 3 years from the date of publication and this means that all Energy Management Systems certification Bodies will need to have successfully transferred to the new standard within 3 years from the publication date.

As per the SLAB policy on transition, accreditation granted as per ISO 50001: 2011 would not be valid after 21st August 2021.

Energy Management Systems certification Bodies shall cease conducting audits, including initial, surveillance and recertification to the ISO 50001:2011, 18 months from the date of publication of the revised standard. The outcomes of such audits to the revision of ISO 50001:2011 shall be considered by the Energy Management Systems certification Body for further decision on accredited certifications to ISO 50001:2011 as deemed appropriate

In addition, the following are also applicable for this transition.

1. SLAB is ready to carry out assessments against ISO 50001:2018 after 1st February 2019.
2. SLAB does not accept applications against ISO 50001: 2011 after 1st April 2019.
3. All assessments of new applicants (pre-assessments/initial assessments) and SLAB accredited Energy Management Systems certification Bodies (surveillance assessments/re-assessments) will be conducted in accordance with ISO 50001:2018 from 1st February 2019 onwards as per their assessment schedules.

Energy Management Systems certification Bodies shall complete the transition with SLAB for ISO 50001:2018 within 18 months from the date of publication of the revised standard (2nd February 2020).

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4. Energy Management Systems certification Bodies whose applications were accepted as per ISO 50001: 2011 and pending as on 1st February 2019 shall complete the transition with SLAB for ISO 50001:2018 within 18 months from the date of publication of the revised standard (2nd February 2020).

Accreditation will not be granted as per ISO 50001: 2011 after 2nd February 2020.

5. SLAB accredited Energy Management Systems certification Bodies shall be fully compliant with the requirements of the standard ISO 50001:2018 by 21st February 2020.
6. Any exception to the above policy may be granted on a specific request from an Energy Management Systems certification Body. However, in line with IAF's Resolution, such an Energy Management Systems certification Body shall have to demonstrate compliance to ISO 50001:2018 by 20th August 2021.

The accreditation of any Energy Management Systems certification Body which fails to demonstrate compliance to ISO 50001:2018 by 2nd February 2020 shall be placed under temporally suspension for a maximum of 03 months. Failure to comply with ISO 50001:2018 by the end of this period would result in withdrawal of accreditation.

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