

## **SLAB POLICY ON TRANSITION TO ISO 50003: 2021**

SLAB accredited and applicant management system certification bodies are required to comply with the requirements of this policy developed based on IAF MD 24: 2021

 $(\underline{https://iaf.nu/iaf\_system/uploads/documents/IAF\_MD\_24\_Issue\_1\_Publication\_Version.pdf})$ 

The new ISO 50003 standard was published in May 2021 and will replace ISO 50003: 2014.

The accredited and applicant management system certification bodies shall follow IAF MD 24: 2021 when transferring ISO 50003: 2014 to ISO 50003: 2021.

As per the SLAB policy on transition, accreditation granted as per ISO 50003: 2014 would not be valid after 30 November 2023.

- 1. SLAB is ready to carry out assessments against ISO 50003: 2021 after 28 February 2022
- 2. SLAB does not accept applications against ISO 50003: 2014 after 31 May 2022.
- 3. All assessments of new applicants (pre-assessments/initial assessments) and SLAB accredited system certification bodies (surveillance assessments/re-assessments) will be conducted in accordance with ISO 50003: 2021 from 31 May 2022 onwards as per their assessment schedules.
- 4. All applicant and accredited management system certification bodies shall complete the transition by 30 November 2023 and accreditation will not be granted as per ISO 50003: 2014 after 30 November 2023.

The accreditation of any System Certification Body which fails to demonstrate compliance to ISO 50003: 2021 by 30 November 2023 shall be placed under temporally suspension for a maximum of 03 months. Failure to comply with ISO 50003: 2021 by the end of this period would result in withdrawal of accreditation.

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