

SLAB POLICY ON TRANSITION TO ISO 22003-1: 2022

SLAB accredited and applicant management system certification bodies are required to comply with the requirements of this policy developed based on IAF MD 27: 2023 (https://iaf.nu/iaf_system/uploads/documents/IAF_MD_27_22003-1_Transition_30082023.pdf)

The new ISO 22003-1 standard was published in June 2022 and will replace ISO 22003: 2013.

The accredited and applicant management system certification bodies shall follow IAF MD 27: 2023 when transferring ISO 22003: 2013 to ISO 22003-1: 2022.

As per the SLAB policy on transition, accreditation granted as per ISO 22003: 2013 would not be valid after 31 December 2024.

- 1. SLAB is ready to carry out assessments against ISO 22003-1: 2022 from 01 October 2023.
- 2. SLAB does not accept applications against ISO 22003: 2013 from 01 January 2024.
- 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 22003-1: 2022 from 01 January 2024 onwards as per their assessment schedules.
- 4. All applicant and accredited management system certification bodies shall complete the transition by 31 December 2024.

The accreditation of any System Certification Body which fails to demonstrate compliance to ISO 22003-1: 2022 by 31 December 2024 shall be placed under temporally suspension for a maximum of 04 months. Failure to comply with ISO 22003-1: 2022 by the end of this period would result in withdrawal of accreditation.

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