

ACCREDIA - The Italian Accreditation Body

ACCREDIA and the Italian Accreditation System

The way forward

SINAL 1988 – SINCERT 1991 – ACCREDIA 2009

The new Italian accreditation Body was created by the merging of SINAL (testing laboratories) and SINCERT (certification and inspection bodies) in order to fulfill the requirements of Reg. EC 765/2008

- March 13, 2009; approval of the Statute (Directive Councils)
- April 3, 2009: decision to merge (Assemblies)
- June 5, 2009: signing of the act of fusion
- July 15, 2009: inscription on register of juridical persons
- December 22, 2009: appointment as Sole National Accreditation Body

The appointment

- **Publication in the official journal of ministerial decrees** (January)
 - Regulations for the organisation and functioning of the sole national accreditation Body (in compliance with Reg. EC 765/2008) of 22 12 2009.
 - Designation of ACCREDIA as Sole National Body authorised to undertake accreditation and surveillance activity of the market in conformity of 22 12 2009
 - **EA MLA/IAF and ILAC MRA** references (QMS, EMS, PRS, PRD, INSP, Testing) (May 2010)
 - Agreements with **ISS (Testing laboratories for food safety)** and **SIT-INRIM (Calibration laboratories)** ex art. 8 of "Appointment Decree" of 22 12 2009 (June 2010)
 - **EA MLA and ILAC MRA** for Calibration (October 2010)

The role

ACCREDIA performs a role of public authority in the general interest, operating under the supervision of the Ministry of Economic Development which is the governing national authority for accreditation activity and the point of contact with the European Commission.

ACCREDIA performs accreditation of bodies conducting conformity assessment in the voluntary field.

Specific statutory Body for activities in regulated fields:

Coordination Committee with ACCREDIA Members Administrations

The objectives

- To constitute, for the Italian Government, for the interested parties and for all users, an authoritative point of reference, such as to achieve the integration of systems and expertises in the regulated and voluntary fields, for accreditation and conformity assessment;
- Extend the relevance of accreditation activities, highlighting their importance in the Italian economic system, in order to enhance the choice of the quality;
- Provide with certificates of conformity issued under accreditation the maximum reliability for businesses and consumers;
- Share the experiences of existing institutions in order to make the system more efficient and less costly, and guaranteeing public control and managerial skills, as well as competence, independence and impartiality.

The tasks

In particular, the Body performs the following operational tasks:

- Operate in voluntary field;
- Shall operate in the regulatory area as entrusted and supervised by the government, based on specific formal assignments (by 2011);
- Publish on its website and other media, its procedures for accreditation, the provisions relating to accreditation activities and the lists of accredited organizations;
- Maintain relationships with accreditation institutions in other countries, supranational and international (IAF, ILAC, EA).

The tasks

In particular, care will be paid in order to:

- Comply with the EC Regulation, avoid conflicts or competition with the other European Bodies, and comply with EA rules, assessed within the peer evaluations;
- Participate in the Mutual recognition agreements EA, ILAC, IAF;
- Operate to widespread the culture of conformity assessment in whatever area, as a positive element for quality, safety, environmental protection, etc.

The association

ACCREDIA is a **non-profit-distributing association**, covering the main institutional, scientific, technical, economic and social entities which have interests in accreditation and certification activity.

66 Members: 9 Ministries, National Public Administrations, Research Bodies, business organisations, Associations of accredited subjects, national standardization Bodies, Associations of consultancy services, consumers, public utility suppliers.

The members' categories

ACCREDIA Members' structure is divided into four categories in order to guarantee a balanced representation of interested parties and the integration of their respective knowledge, experience and competence:

- Governmental departments, research bodies and other public institutions;
- Organizations representing producers of goods and services;
- Associations of accredited entities;
- National Standards Institutions, Associations of consumers, users, for the protection against risks and of the environment, public utility providers, other parties involved in the Body's activities.

The members

MEMBERS BY RIGHT

Ministry of Economic Development

Ministry of the Environment

Ministry of Defence

Ministry of Internal Affairs

Ministry of Infrastructures

Ministry of Education, Universities and Research

Ministry of Labour

Ministry of Agricultural Policy

Ministry of Health

The members

PROMOTER MEMBERS

Public administration, Public bodies and research

CNR
ENEA
INAIL
INRIM
ISPRA
ISS
UNIONCAMERE

*Organizations representing producers of goods
and services and performers work*

ANIA
CASARTIGIANI
CIA
CNA
COLDIRETTI
CONFAGRICOLTURA
CONFAPI
CONFARTIGIANATO IMPRESE
CONFCOMMERCIO
CONFESERCENTI

CONFINDUSTRIA
LEGACOOP

Standardization Bodies

CEI
UNI

Suppliers of Public Utilities

ENEL
Gruppo Ferrovie dello Stato

The members

ORDINARY MEMBERS

**ACU
AGIDAE
AIAS
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AISES
AIZS
ALA
ALPI
ANACAM
ANCE
ANCI
ANGQ
APCO
ASCOTECO
ASSOCONSULT
ASSORECA
ATECAP
COMPAGNIA DELLE OPERE**

**CONFINDUSTRIA
SERVIZI INNOVATIVI E
TECNOLOGICI
CONFORMA
CONSIGLIO DEI CHIMICI
CONSULTA REGIONALE DEGLI
ORDINI DEGLI INGEGNERI
DELLA LOMBARDIA
FEDERAZIONE CISQ
FEDERBIO
FEDERCHIMICA
FINCO
FNOVI
INFRASTRUTTURE LOMBARDE
OICE
SCI
UNOA**

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The institutional bodies (by Statute)

ACCREDIA's activities are defined by transparency of the decision-making process and the sharing of objectives and policy strategies through flexible and balanced management.

- General Assembly art. 11
- Directive Council art. 13
- Executive Committee art. 15
- Board of Auditors art. 17
- Committee of accreditation
 - Committee for accreditation activities art. 18
 - Sectorial accreditation committee – Certification and Inspection
 - Sectorial accreditation committee – Environment
 - Sectorial accreditation committee – Notified Bodies
 - Sectorial accreditation committee – Testing laboratories and testing laboratories for food safety
 - Sectorial accreditation committee – Calibration laboratories
- Steering and guarantee committee art. 19
- Coordination committee with Public Administration Accredia members art. 20
- Commission of Appeal Committee art. 21
- Compliance body (D.Lgs. 231/01)

ACCREDIA: the Italian Accreditation Body

The board and the staff

President

Vice-president

Vice-president

Vice-president

General Director

Department Certification and Inspection Director

Department Testing Laboratories Director

Department Testing Laboratories for food safety Director

Department Director Calibration Laboratories

Federico Grazioli

Bruno Panieri

Enrico Garaci

Paolo Vigo

Filippo Trifiletti

Filippo Trifiletti (ad interim)

Paolo Bianco

Silvia Tramontin

Mario Mosca

The employees are 62

48 Operational staff

10 Administrative staff

4 Executive/Senior management

ACCREDIA: the accreditation activity

The departments

ACCREDIA's activities are performed by **4 departments**:

- **Certification** – of management, product and personnel systems – and **Inspection**
- **Testing laboratories**
- **Testing laboratories for food safety**
- **Calibration laboratories**

ACCREDIA manages the entire range of activities covered by the international agreements of mutual recognition: EA MLA and IAF/ILAC MRA.

The activity, directed by the Committee for accreditation activity, is divided into **5 Sectorial Accreditation Committees** mentioned above.

ACCREDIA: the accreditation activity

The assessors' team

The assessors must be familiar with the accreditation standard and ACCREDIA accreditation procedures, the relevant conformity assessment standards; they must be capable to understand the business processes of the CABs, to assess such processes and to formulate judgements.

They are required for specialist knowledge and experience and trained and monitored upon appropriate procedures and processes.

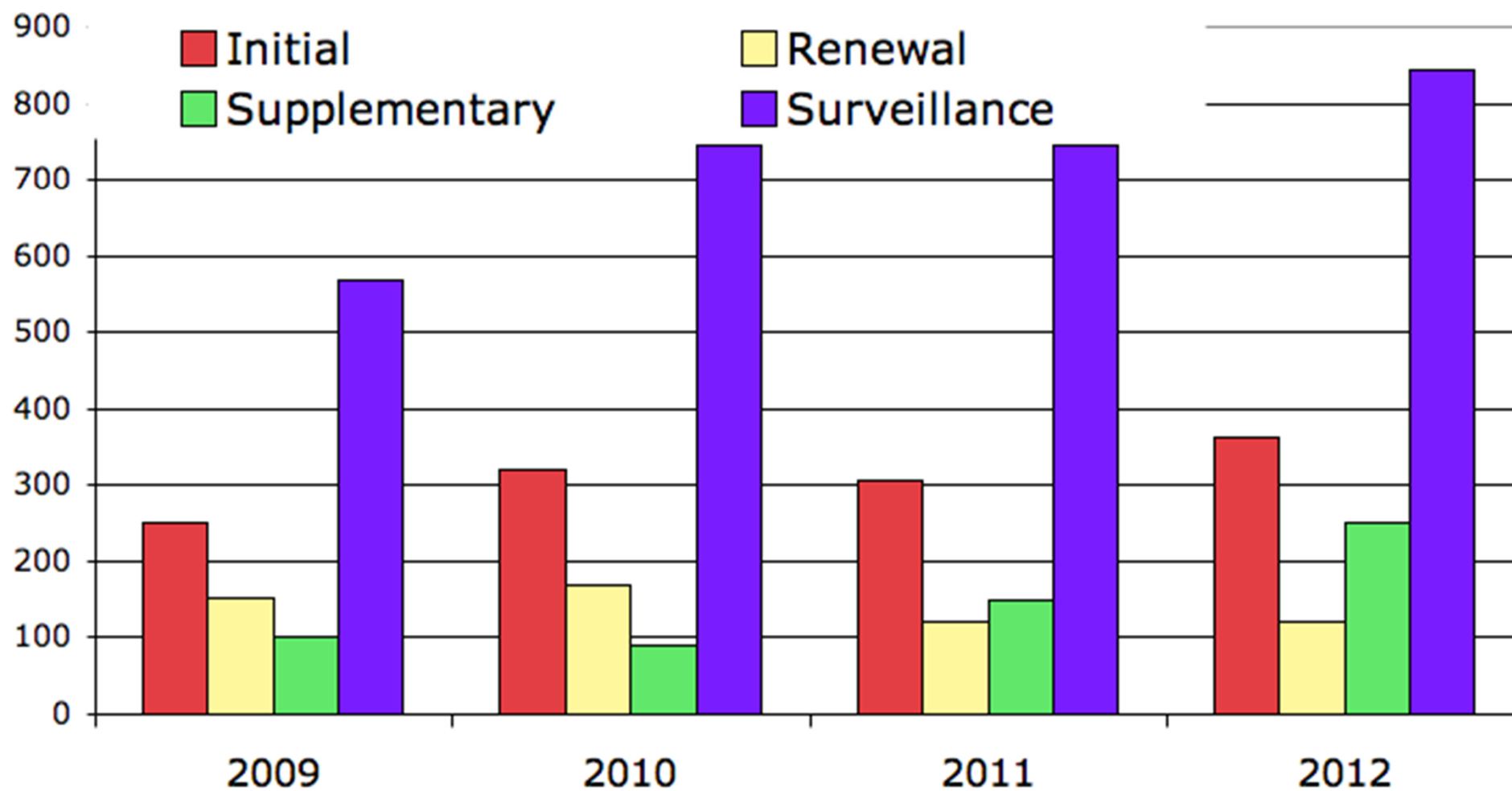
Assessors and Experts

Total number of lead assessors available to the AB: 195

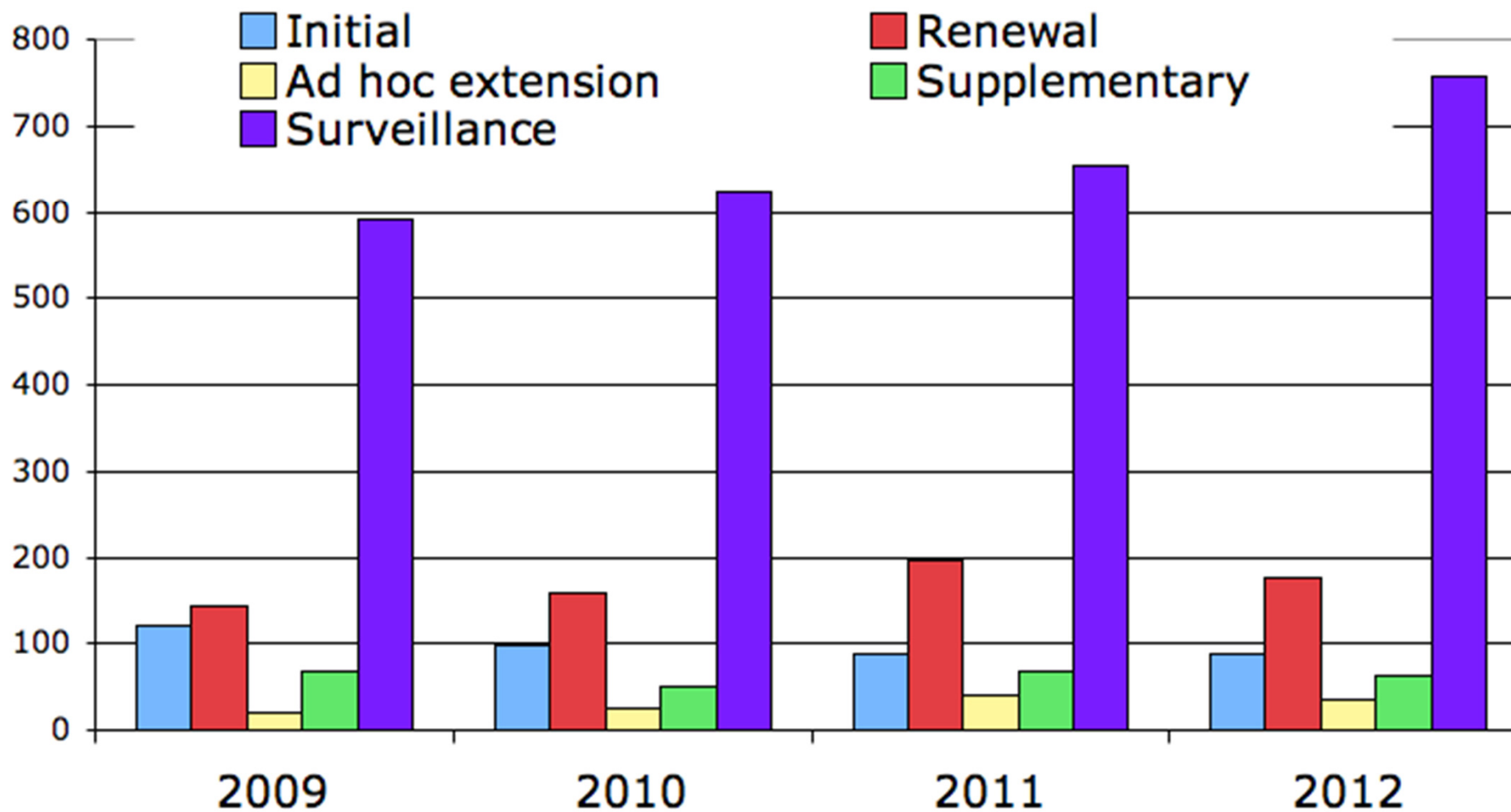
Total number of assessors available to the AB: 393

Total number of experts available to the AB: 32

certification/inspection assessments



Testing laboratories assessments



ACCREDIA: the accredited subjects

Conformity assessment bodies

At December 2012, **1384** are the **CABs** operating under ACCREDIA accreditation.

Testing Laboratories	1022
Medical Laboratories	1
Proficiency Testing Providers	4
Calibration Laboratories	168
Certification Bodies	126
Inspection Bodies	63

ACCREDIA: the Certification and Inspection Bodies

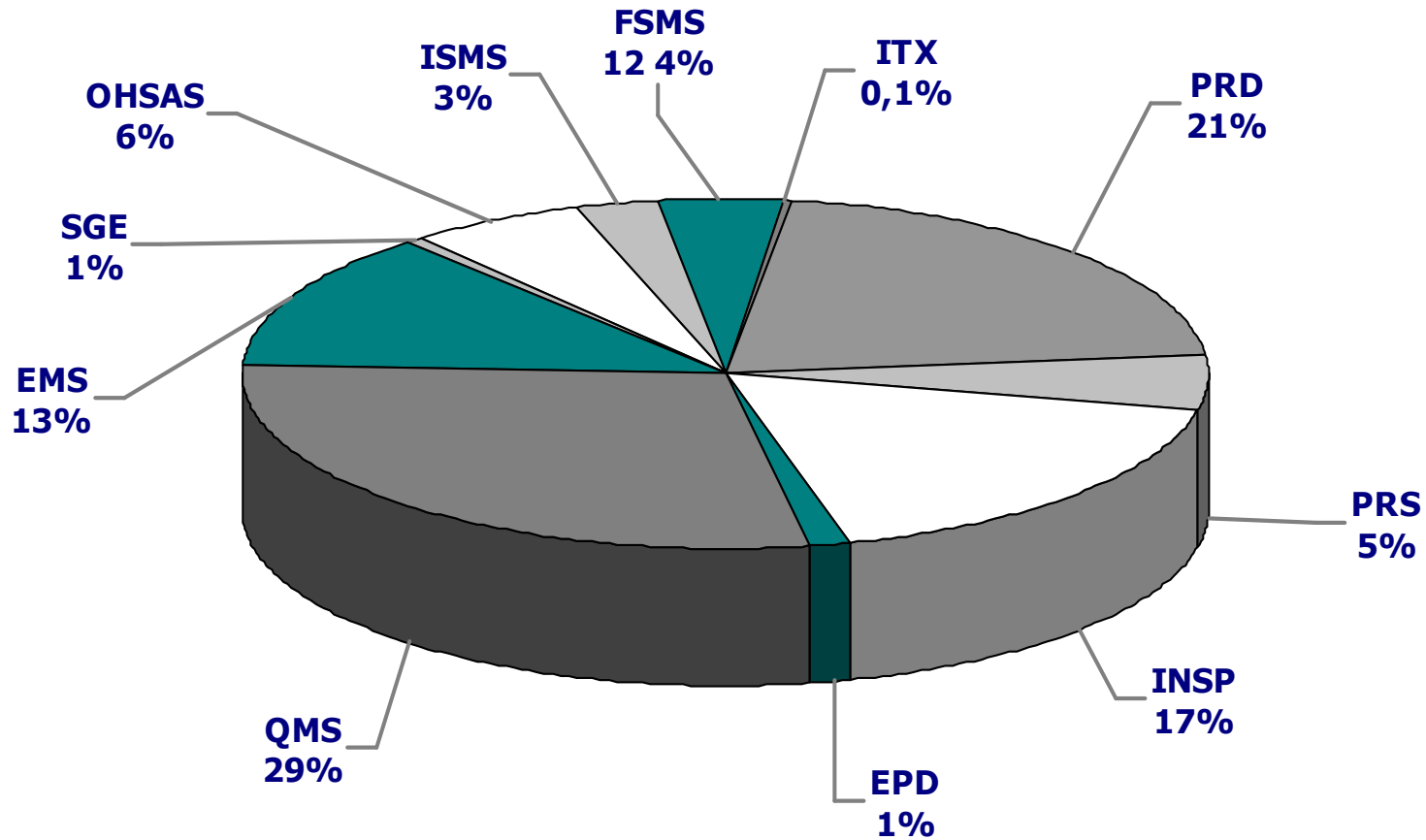
Certification and Inspection accreditations

The **189 Certification and Inspection Bodies** are holding **353 accreditations**

QMS – Certifications of quality management systems	91
EMS - Certifications of environmental management systems	39
SGE – Certification of energy management systems	7
OHSAS - Certifications of occupational health & safety management systems	23
ISMS - Certifications of information security management systems	10
FSMS - Certifications of food safety management systems	11
ITX - Certifications of IT services management systems	2
PRD – Certifications of products/services	73
PRS - Certifications of personnel	22
INSP - Inspections	63
EPD – Environmental product declaration	6

ACCREDIA: the Certification and Inspection Bodies

Certification and Inspection accreditations



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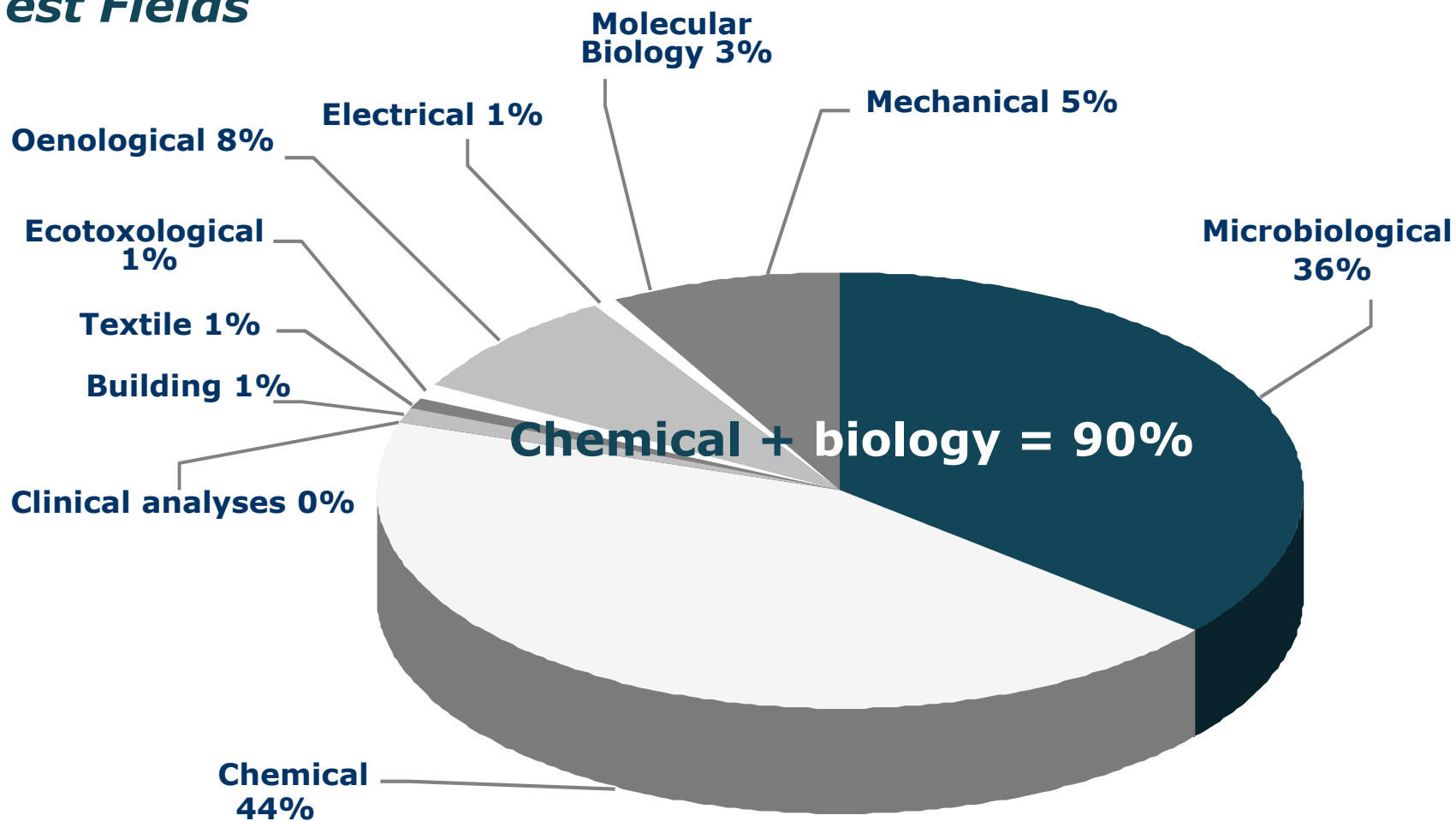
Certifications – Management systems certified sites

The **certifications of management systems issued under accreditation** are around **138.000** – certified productive sites:

• ISO 9001 and others	110.000
• ISO 14001	17.400
• OHSAS 18001	9.300
• ISO 22000	800
• ISO 27001	500
• ISO 20000	20

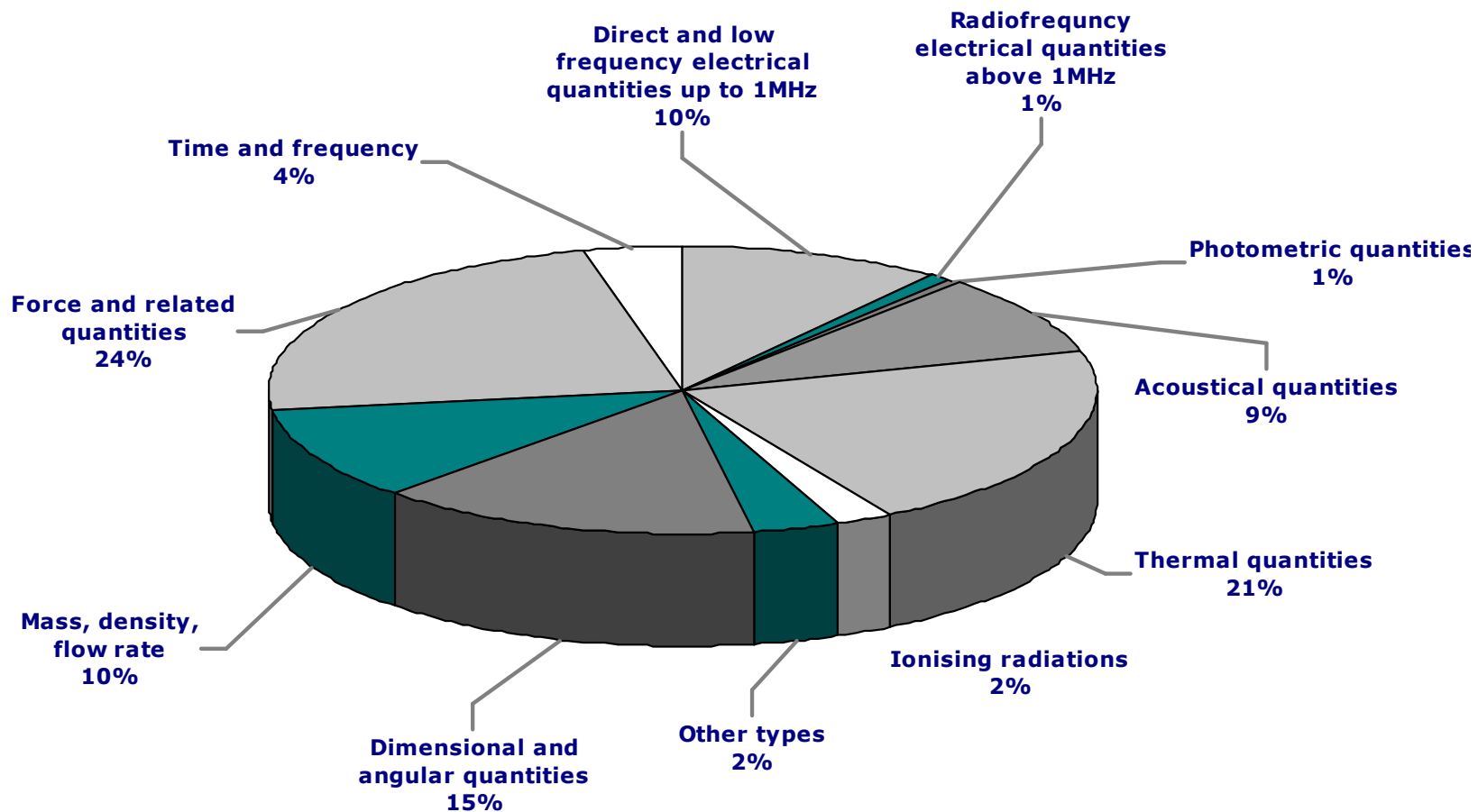
ACCREDIA: the Testing Laboratories

Test Fields



ACCREDIA: the Calibration Laboratories

Quantities (Calibration certificates)



On line database

- Certification and Inspection Bodies
- Testing Laboratories
- Calibration Laboratories
- Organizations with management system certified
- Foreign Certification Bodies recognized in the building sector IAF 28
- Construction companies certified by Certification Bodies recognized in the building sector IAF 28
- Professional Persons (Auditor, Tax expert, Chinesiologist, Industrial hygienist, etc.)
- List of the main categories of certified Products/Services
- List of organizations certified ISO 22000 for FSMS
- List of organizations certified for Organic production

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Thanks for your kind attention

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Certification and Inspection Department

Testing Laboratories Department

Testing Laboratories for food safety Department

Calibration Laboratories Department