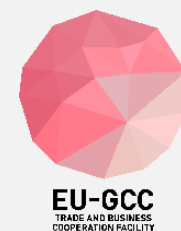


Welcome to the EU-GCC roundtable on the new UAE Halal Scheme



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Welcome note



Agenda for the workshop

Presentation of the new UAE halal scheme

by Dr. Abdulla Al Maeeni, Emirates Authority for Standardisation and Meteorology, UAE

Presentation by Accredia on the process of obtaining certification under the UAE Halal Scheme *Mr. Emanuele Riva, Accredia, Italy*

Accreditation of HFFIA by ESMA and GAC

Ms. Yasmina Ben-Koubia, Halal Feed and Food Inspection Authority

Roundtable discussion

Peter Helk, EU GCC Trade and Business Cooperation Facility

Lunch

Emirates Authority for Standardization and Metrology:

ESMA as the National Standards Body (NSB) is the SOLE AUTHORITY for Quality, Metrology and Standards and the National Certification Body of the UAE.

ESMA was established as the sole standardization body in the UAE under the Law No. 28/2001. The board of directors chaired by H.E. Dr. Rashid Ahmed Bin Fahad, the Minister of Environment & Water in the UAE and is comprised by representatives of the main parties involved in the standardization of the UAE.



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Established as
Standardization
Dept in Ministry of
Finance

1977

Established as
independent
Authority as per
Federal Law 28

2001

Established as
Reporting to
UAE Cabinet

2009

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Also known as “National Standard Body (NSB)”

Our Vision : Global leader in building confidence in Products & Quality systems



"HALAL"

means lawful or permitted

"NON-HALAL"

means prohibited

as per Islamic Law

"Shari'ah"

REQUIREMENTS

ESMA

TECHNICAL REGULATIONS STANDARDS & DECISIONS

- UAE.S/GSO 2055-3:2014 - Halal Foods - Part 3 - Requirements for accrediting certification bodies for halal certificate
- ISO/IEC 17011 compliant + requirements for ABs accrediting CBs UAE.S/GSO 2055-3:2014
- Pass the peer-evaluation assessment

- UAE.S/GSO 2055-2:2014 - Halal Foods - Part 2 - Requirements for certification bodies for halal certificate
- ISO/IEC 17065 compliant + requirements for Halal CBs UAE.S/GSO 2055-2:2014
- Halal National Mark compliant

- Decision # 37 of 2014 – General regulation for slaughterhouse
- UAE.S/GSO 713:1997 – Hygienic regulations for poultry processing abattoirs and their personnel
- UAE.S/GSO 993:1998 – Animal slaughtering requirements according to Islamic Law
- Certified by an accredited CB based on the requirements mentioned above.

- Decision # 34 of 2014 – General regulation for national mark for halal
- Provide halal certificate/mark

ACC BODIES

Certification Body

Slaughterhouse Factory

Importer

Approved ABs are recorded in the database

Approved CBs are recorded in the database

Approved Slaughterhouse & Factories are recorded in the database

Approved Importers & Products are recorded in the database

DATABASE



MONITORING BODIES + CONSUMERS





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نظام تقويم المطابقة الإماراتي (إيكاس)

شهادة مطابقة
CERTIFICATE OF CONFORMITY
EMIRATES CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT SCHEME

Certificate No: 14-10-2738/E14-08-002093 رقم الشهادة:
Report No: JP TUV 16053448 002 رقم التقرير:
Registration Date: 07-OCTOBER-2014 تاريخ التسجيل:
Valid Until: 06-OCTOBER-2015 تاريخ الصلاحية:
Issued To: أصدرت الى:

Product: HOUSEHOLD COOKING APPLIANCES (OVEN) اسم المنتج:

الإسم التجاري Brand Name	النموذج Model	تفاصيل المنتج Product Details	بلد المنشأ Country of Origin
	GHEO-KR-F46RCL GHEO-KR-F36RL	220-240V, 50/60Hz, 1800W 220-240V, 50/60Hz, 1500W	

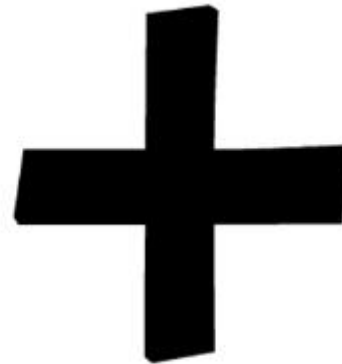
Product is registered under the Emirates Conformity Assessment Scheme (ECAS) based on compliance to the following requirements: المنتج مسجل في نظام تقويم المطابقة الإماراتي (إيكاس) بناءً على مطابقته للمتطلبات التالية:

UAE S / IEC 60335-2-9:2008 Household and Similar Electrical Appliances - Safety - Part 2-9: Particular Requirements for Grills, Toasters and Similar Portable Cooking Appliances
UAE S / IEC 60335-1:2010 Household and Similar Electrical Appliances - Safety - Part 1: General Requirements

ECAS Specific Requirements for Registration of Low Voltage Equipment



ABDULCA AL MAEENI
Director of Conformity Affairs Department



REFERENCES

- Decision No. 10 of 2014 - Emirates scheme for control of halal products
- Decision no. 34 of 2014 - General requirements for halal national mark
- Decision No. 37 of 2014 - General requirements for Slaughterhouse
- UAE.S/GSO 2055-1:2009 - Halal Foods - Part 1 - General requirements
- UAE.S/GSO 2055-2:2014 - Halal Foods - Part 2 - Requirements for certification bodies for halal certificate
- UAE.S/GSO 2055-3:2014 - Halal Foods - Part 3 - Requirements for accrediting certification bodies for halal certificate
- UAE.S/GSO 993 - Requirements for slaughtering animals according to Islamic Shari'ah
- UAE.S/GSO 713 - Health requirements poultry slaughterhouse and workers

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THANK YOU

For more information,
please contact:



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United Arab Emirates

Requirements for Halal Certification Bodies



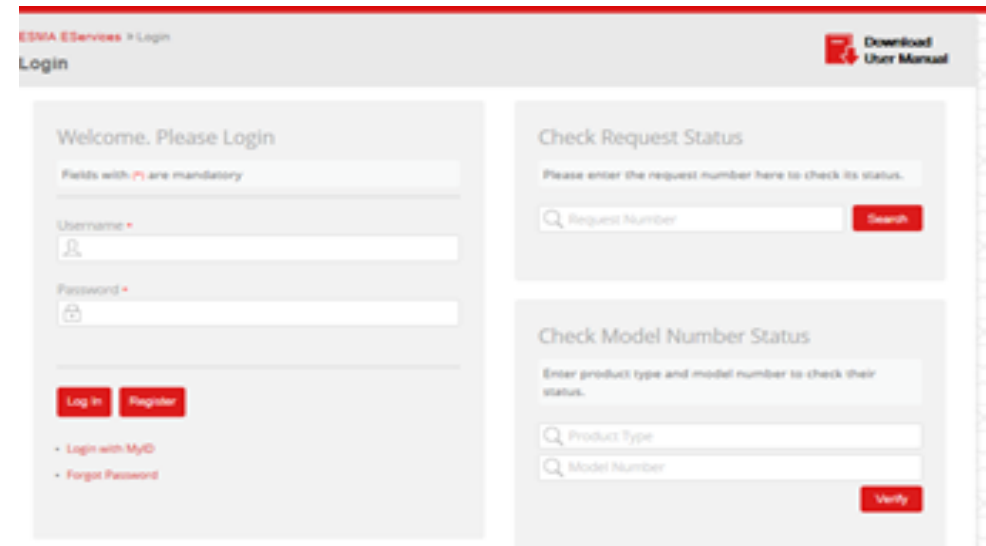
What is halal registration

- Registration of Halal Certification Body is a formal declaration/recognition that the certification body is competent to certify halal products and services based on Cabinet Decree No. (10) for 2014 On UAE Regulations for Control on Halal Products in addition to related standards and technical regulations.
- Products and services certified by ESMA Registered Halal Certification Bodies are not only accepted.

Before submitting your application

Read Cabinet Decree No. (10) for 2014 On UAE Regulations for Control on Halal Products and relates standards:

- UAE.S 2055 -1: Halal products - Part one: General Requirements for Halal Food
- UAE.S 2055 -2: Halal products- Part (2): General Requirements for Halal Certification Bodies
- UAE.S 2055-4: Halal Products- Part (4) Requirements for Cosmetics and Personal care
- UAE.S 993: Animal Slaughtering Requirements According to Islamic Rules
- UAE.S GSO 713: Hygienic Regulations For Poultry Processing Abattoirs And Their Personnel
- UAE.S GSO 21: Hygienic Regulations for Food Plants and Their Personnel
- UAE.S GSO 9: Labelling of Prepackaged Food Stuffs



<https://etrans.esma.gov.ae/english/pages/login.aspx?RedirectonUrl=/Arabic/Workspace/Pages/my-requests.aspx>



Operations

The halal certification body shall ensure that the suitability and competence of body(ies) and person(s) carrying out testing, inspection, and halal certification fulfil the requirements, whichever applicable, stated in ISO/IEC 17025, ISO/IEC 17020, ISO/IEC 17021 and/or ISO/TS 22003 In addition to **UAE. S. 2055-2**

Before submitting your application

- Determine the scope(s) of halal registration scheme applicable to your nature of business:
 1. Slaughter houses
 - A. Food
 - B. Cosmetics
 2. Halal Products



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نموذج التسجيل (معيار من حيث المنتجات التي تصنعها)

Initial Registration Form For Halal Product Certification Bodies

The information provided below shall be as per the valid trade license and a member of trade registration or its equivalent (as mentioned) issued by the relevant government authority in the country where the applicant certification body (CB) is located. Please apply separately for each country. The applicant shall not alter the contents of this application.

1. Details Of The Applicant CB		
Name of the applicant CB (in English)		اسم الجهة بكتابة الانجليزية
Name of the applicant CB (in Arabic)		اسم الجهة بكتابة العربية
Country where the applicant CB is located		الدولة التي يوجد فيها الجهة
Designation of the Counter		اسم الجهة
Full Postal and Physical Address of the Head office of the applicant CB		الموقع والعنوان البريدي للفرع الرئيسي للجهة
Website of the applicant CB		الموقع الإلكتروني
Telephone No		رقم الهاتف
Fax No		التلفاكس
2. Details Of Branch Office (if any)		
Full Postal and Physical Address of the branch office of the applicant CB		الموقع والعنوان البريدي للفرع التابع للجهة
Telephone No		رقم الهاتف
Website		الموقع الإلكتروني
Fax No		التلفاكس
3. Details Of Highest Authority of the Applicant CB		
Name		الاسم (بالعربي)
Designation		المسمى الوظيفي
Location of the office		الموقع
Telephone No		رقم الهاتف
E-mail ID		البريد الإلكتروني
4. Details Of The Counter Person		
Name		الاسم بكتابة الانجليزية
Designation		المسمى الوظيفي بكتابة الانجليزية
Location		الدولة التي يوجد فيها
Telephone No		رقم الهاتف

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INITIAL REGISTRATION FORM FOR INTERNATIONAL HALAL CERTIFICATION BODIES FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF SLAUGHTER HOUSES

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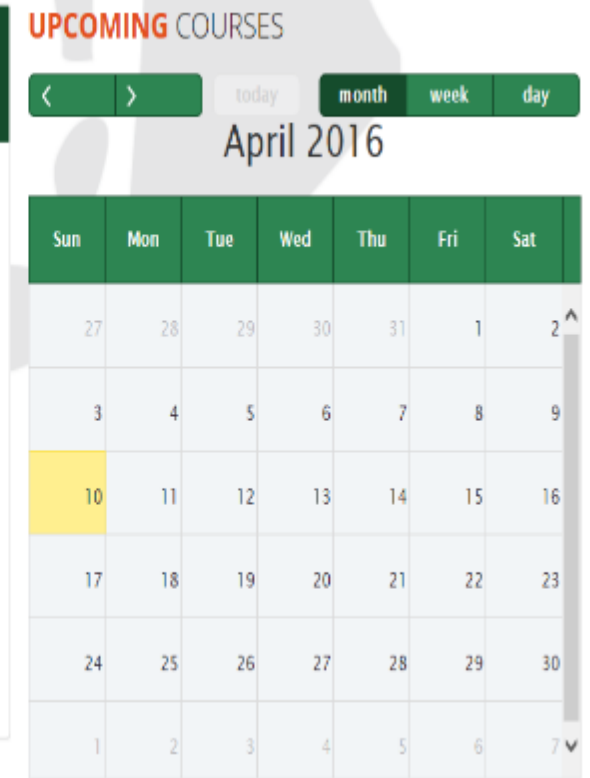
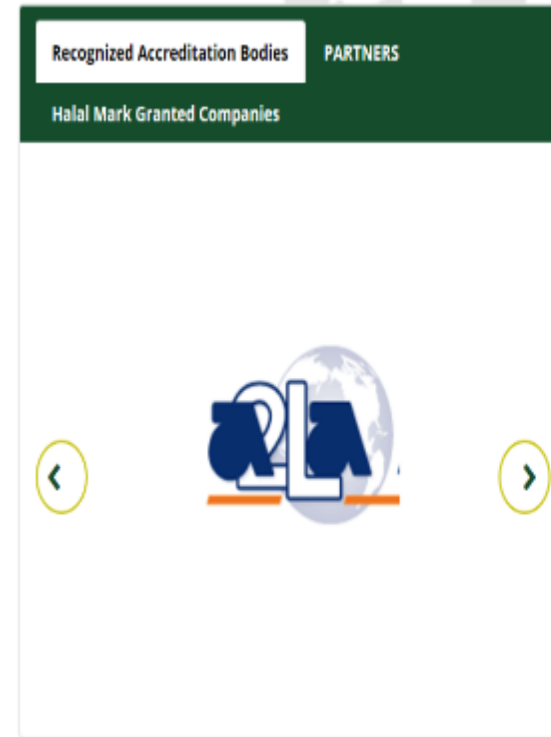
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Before submitting your application

- Go through approved accreditation bodies available on www.halal.ae, study their fees and process and select one:

- | | |
|-----------|------------|
| 1.GAC | 2.DAC |
| 3.JAZ-ANS | 4.Accredia |
| 5.ENAC | 6.A2IA |



Available on : www.halal.ae

Application submission

- Download the application from the website www.halal.ae
- Fill it , sign it and stamp it .
- Submit your application via e mail (halal@esma.gov.ae) or by coming to ESMA customer service office. **Applicant should inform ESMA of selected AB.**
- Check your email account for updates on your Halal application status. You will need to rectify your application shortcomings, if any.
- Upon approval of your application, you will be notified by an e mail and a cost bill will be sent to you on application fees. ESMA will start processing your application once the payment has been made.

Form 1: Halal Registration Form for Halal Product Certification in Arabic. The form is titled 'Form 1 - Halal Registration Form for Halal Product Certification' and includes fields for applicant information, product details, and certification requirements. It is presented in Arabic with English translations.

Form 1: Halal Registration Form for Halal Product Certification in English. The form is titled 'Form 1 - Halal Registration Form for Halal Product Certification' and includes fields for applicant information, product details, and certification requirements. It is presented in English with Arabic translations.

Processing

- Application is transferred electronically by ESMA to an approved Accreditation Body (AB) selected by the customer
- Customer will be contacted by the Approved AB selected by him to proceed with accreditation process
- Once accreditation is granted, applicant shall submit a copy of his accreditation certificate and scope to ESMA to complete its registration process.

Issuing Registration certificate

- Halal Registration Certificate and scope will be issue by ESMA .
- Upon issuance of certificate, applicant will be notified by an e mail and a cost bill will be sent to him on certificate fees. ESMA will handover the certificate once the payment has been made.
- Applicant shall collect his Halal registration certificate(s) and scope from ESMA via impost or from ESMA customer service center



Post- registration

- Periodic assessments may be conducted by ESMA to ensure compliance.
- Halal Registered Certification Bodies are required to update ESMA for any major change of its organizational structure, ownership and key staff and any change in their accreditation status.

Renewal

- Halal Registered Certification bodies shall submit renewal application 3 months and no later than 1 month before the halal certificate expiry date.
- Accreditation should be maintained by the CAB.

Enquiries

Enquiries on ESMA Registration of Halal Certification Bodies can be made via one of the following channels:


- E- mail : halal@esma.gov.ae
- Phone call : customer service 600565554
- Walk in facilitation @ ESMA customer service center , located in Dubai, sheikh Rashid Street, business avenue building, Mezanin Floor
- Go to www.hala.ae

Halal website

http://halal.ae/en-us

Recognized Accreditation Bodies PARTNERS

Halal Mark Granted Companies



UPCOMING COURSES

today month week day

April 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
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17	18	19	20			
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The license to use Halal National Mark

Issuance of certificate to use Halal National Mark to be placed on the products or services or facilities conforming to the requirements of the UAE System for the Control of Halal Products.

Read More →



Registration for Halal certification bodies

A service where ESMA grants approval against the fulfillment of the requirements of registration certification bodies for Halal products.

Read More →



Issuance Registration Certificate for Slaughterhouse (Abattoirs)

Issuance of certificate to slaughter house confirming that it is complying with the requirements of the Slaughterhouses (Abattoirs) Registration Procedures.

Read More →

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▶ HOW THE FACTORY PREPARE FOR HALAL AUDIT

▶ WHAT ARE HALAL STANDARDS

▶ HOW TO OBTAIN THE UAE HALAL NATIONAL MARK

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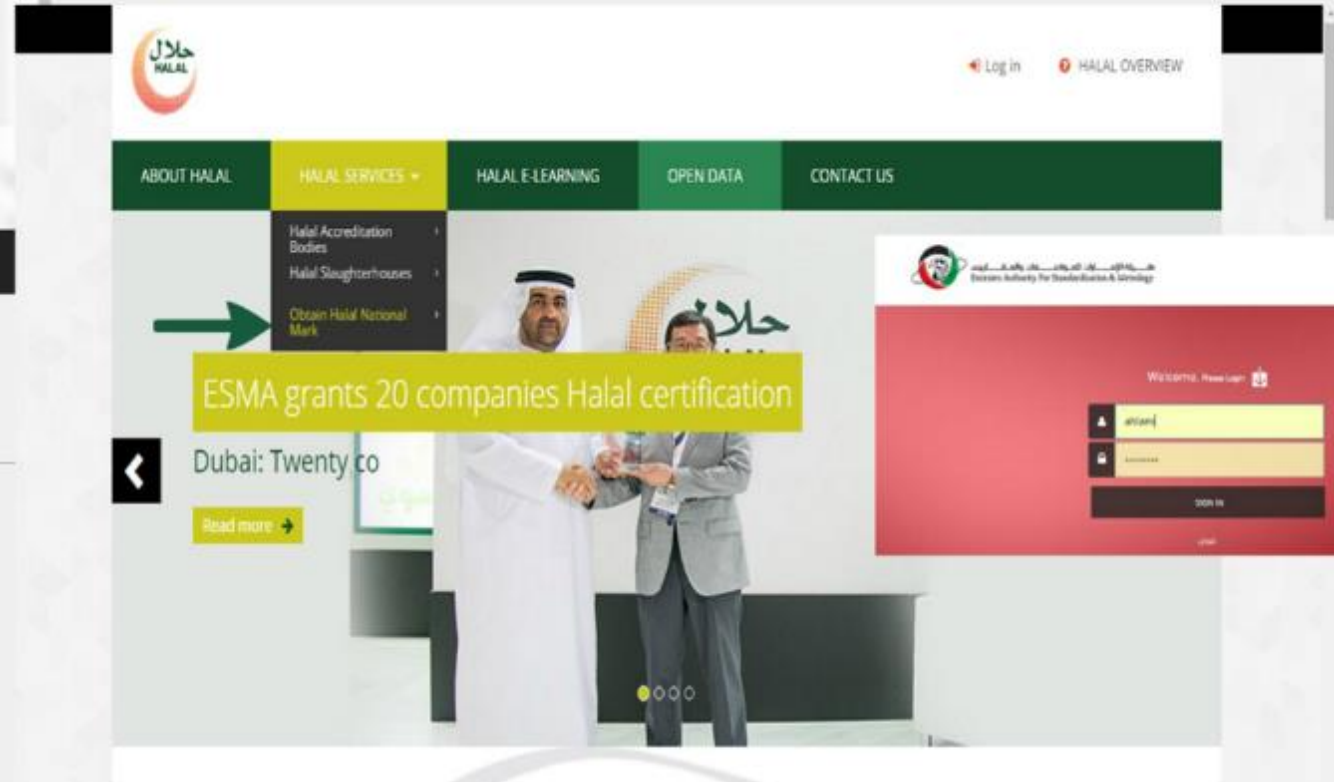
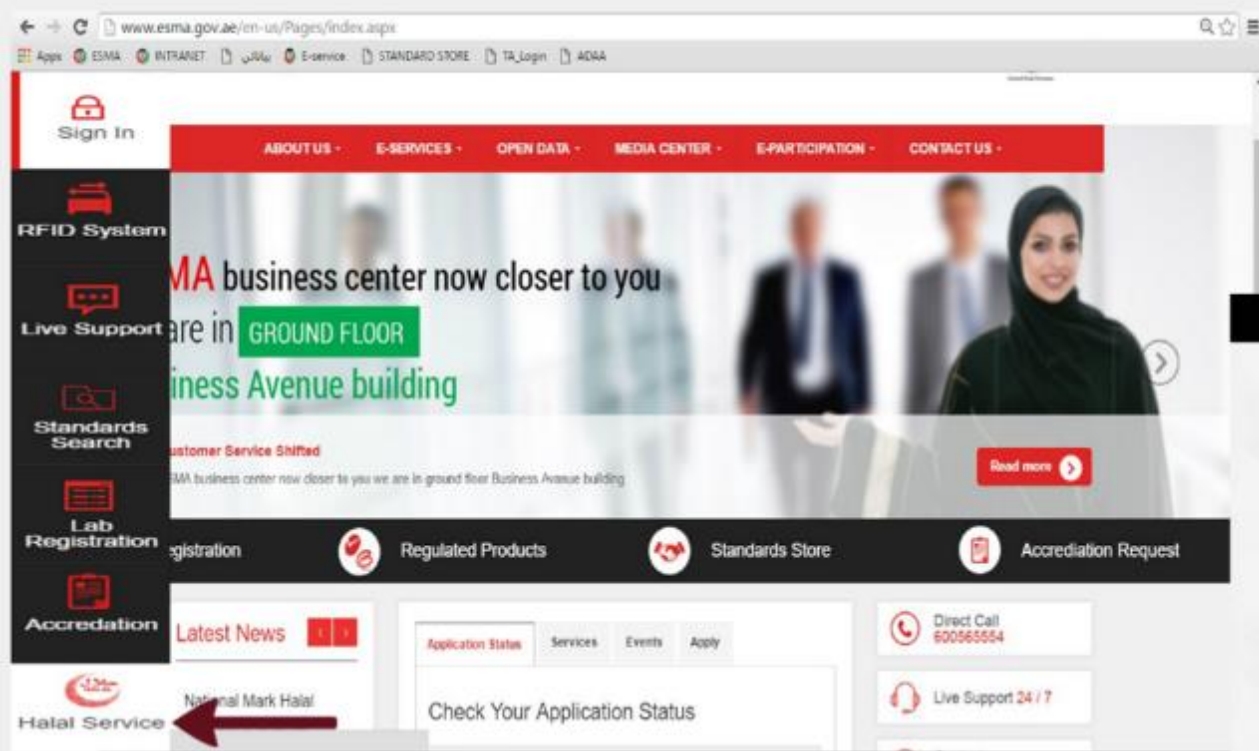
▶ What our customers says ?

The logo features the word 'حلال' in green Arabic calligraphy above the word 'HALAL' in green, bold, uppercase letters. This text is centered within a circular graphic composed of a grid of orange dots that forms a partial circle on the left and bottom sides. The entire logo is enclosed within a light gray circular border.

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How to
Obtain
Halal
National
Mark

Applicant Submits application to Conformity Affairs Dept. through the online system in ESMA website under Halal Service and Pays Application Fees



Sign In

ABOUT US - E-SERVICES - OPEN DATA - MEDIA CENTER - E-PARTICIPATION - CONTACT US -

- RFID System
- Live Support
- Standards Search
- Lab Registration
- Accreditation

ESMA business center now closer to you

are in **GROUND FLOOR**
Business Avenue building

Customer Service Shifted

ESMA business center now closer to you we are in ground floor Business Avenue building

Read more

Registration Regulated Products Standards Store Accrediation Request

Latest News

Application Status Services Events Apply

Direct Call 600565554

Live Support 24 / 7

National Mark Halal

Check Your Application Status

Halal Service

documents to be submitted:

1. Valid Industrial/ Trade License

2. Table of ingredients list

3. Table of finished/ Raw materials

4. Copy of Halal Certificates of ingredients/ raw materials

5. Manufacturing process flowchart & production procedure

6. Label Artwork

7. Test reports

8. Proof of effective implementation of FSMS/GMP or QMS



ESMA reviews the application and Send Quotation for the factory Assessment

Application Documents List

Require documents for upload : 1) Valid Trade / Industrial Licence issued by relevant Authorities.

Document Name	Document Uploaded Date	Document Type	
SPECIFICATION SHEET	17/11/2015 12:19:55 PM	Declaration of Conformity	Delete
Organoleptic Analysis	17/11/2015 12:19:48 PM	Third Party Certifications	Delete
Microbiological Analysis Lab Report	17/11/2015 12:19:48 PM	Declaration of Conformity	Delete
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Download Documents

**Assessment conducted
on the Facility by ESMA**



**ESMA and Applicant Agrees
on corrective Actions during the
assessment**



**Corrective Actions submitted
by the applicant
- To be reviewed by CAD**

CORRECTIVE ACTION REQUEST FORM	
Name	
Department	CRAM No.
Request of Non-Conformity / Potential Non-Conformity	Ref. Document
Acknowledged by	Number
Identified Root Cause(s) of the Observed Non-Conformity or Potential Non-Conformity	

Compliance Decision



Halal Certificate and the License for the Use of Halal National Mark Sample



To get More information about Halal Registration visit Halal Portal in ESMA website on below link:

<http://halal.ae/en-us>

The screenshot shows the Halal Portal website interface. At the top left is the Halal logo. To the right are links for 'Log in' and 'HALAL OVERVIEW'. A green navigation bar contains the following menu items: 'ABOUT HALAL', 'HALAL SERVICES' (with a dropdown arrow), 'HALAL E-LEARNING', 'OPEN DATA', and 'CONTACT US'. Below the navigation is a large banner image of a plate of food with a yellow text box that reads 'Halal National Mark must for halal products, services'. Underneath the banner, it says 'Dubai: Halal' and has a 'Read more' button. The main content area is titled 'Know More About HALAL' and explains that HALAL means lawful or permitted, while 'Non halal' means prohibited according to Islamic Law (Shariah). It lists three criteria for Halal products: 1. Animals slaughtered as per Islamic principles, 2. Free from prohibited components, and 3. Processed using allowed machinery. Below this is the 'UAE HALAL' section, which states that the mark is approved by the Authority and should be granted for products meeting the requirements. At the bottom, there are three featured cards: 'The license to use Halal National Mark' (with the Halal logo), 'Registration for Halal certification bodies' (with a grid of medical and food icons), and 'Issuance Registration Certificate for' (with a photo of two men in business attire).

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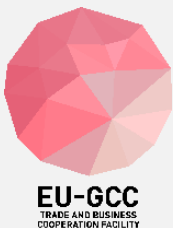


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**Presentation:
Obtaining halal certification under the new UAE
Halal Scheme**

Mr. Emanuele Riva,
Director, Accredia, Italy



The UAE Halal Scheme for Halal Products

*Steigenberger Airport Hotel
Amsterdam, the Netherlands*

April 13 2016

*Emanuele Riva – Director of Certification and Inspection department
- IAF Vice Chair*

ACCREDIA is the Italian National Accreditation Body

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.

Regulation EC/765/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of July 9, 2008 setting out the requirements for accreditation and market surveillance relating to the marketing of products and superseding Regulation (EEC)No339/93;

ACCREDIA - The National Accreditation Body

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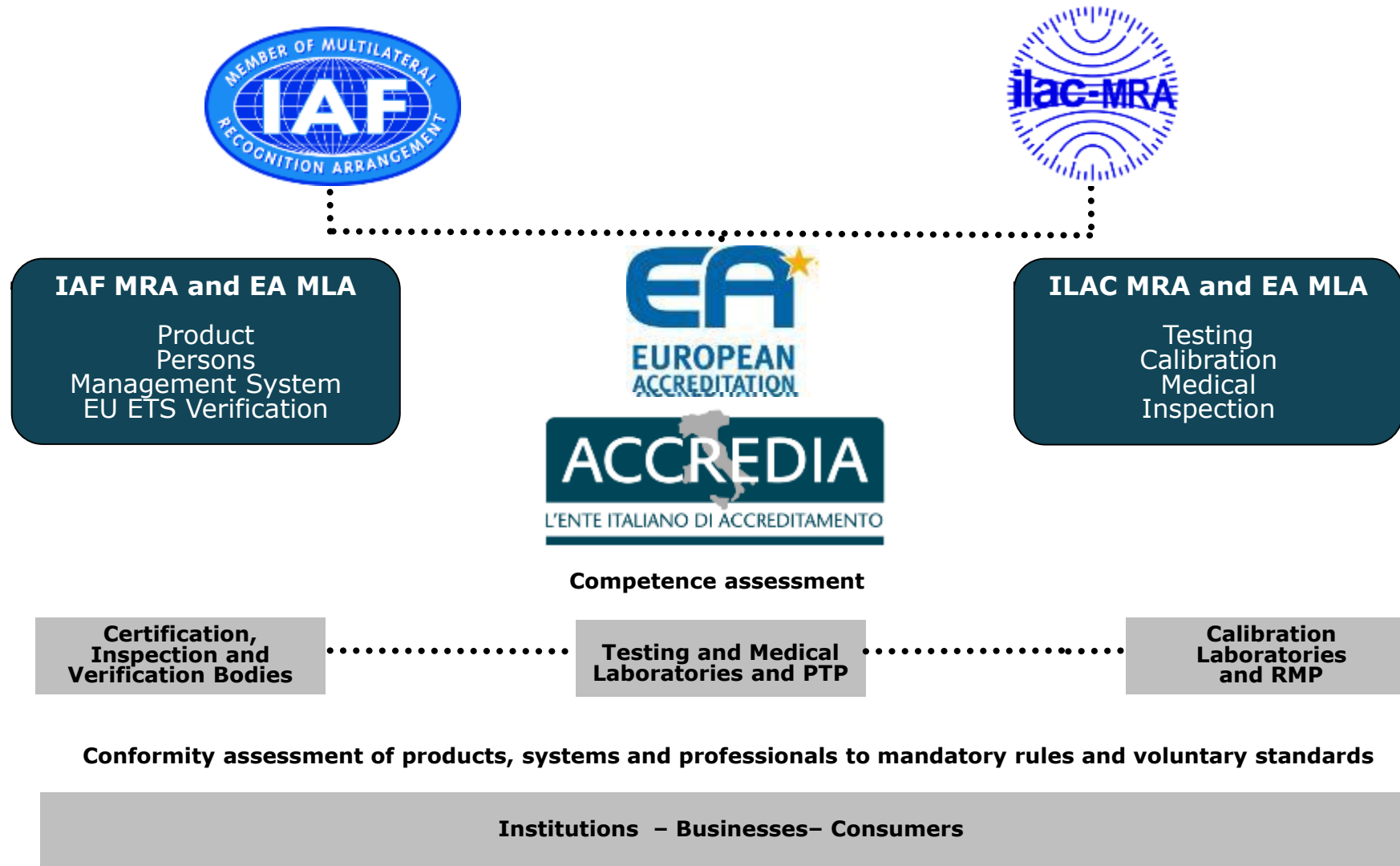
67 Members represent government authorities, business enterprises and consumers.

9 Ministries: Economic Development, Environment, Defence, Internal Affairs, Infrastructures, Education, Labour, Agriculture, Health

4 categories: 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
- Organisations representing producers of goods and services
- Associations of accredited subjects
- National Standardization Bodies, Associations of consumers and users, for the protection against risks and of the environment, Public utility suppliers, other parties involved in the Body's activities.

The international system of conformity assessment



The accreditation guarantees

COMPETENCE

INTEGRITY

INDEPENDENCE

RELIABILITY

IMPARTIALITY

INTERNATIONALITY

The International Agreements MLA/MRA scopes

Accreditation	Scopes	Standards	MLA/MRA
Laboratories	Testing	ISO/IEC 17025	EA ILAC
	Calibration	ISO/IEC 17025	
	Medical	ISO 15189	
Certification Bodies	Product	ISO/IEC 17065	EA IAF
	Persons	ISO/IEC 17024	
	Quality Management System	ISO/IEC 17021	
	Environmental Management System	ISO/IEC 17021	
Inspection Bodies	Inspection	ISO /IEC 17020	EA ILAC
Verification Bodies	EU ETS Verification	ISO 14065	EA

In future accreditation of Proficiency Testing Providers (PTP) and Reference Materials Producers (RMP) will be included in the EA MLA.

The assessment activity

Document reviews, on site assessments, witness assessments (in Man Days)

ACCREDIA Department	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Testing Laboratories	8,026	7,909	7,221	6,747	6,173
Certification and Inspection	4,145	3,846	2,680	2,381	2,234
Calibration Laboratories	593	565	568	541	315
Total Assessment Activity	12,764	12,320	10,469	9,669	8,722

The accreditations

Laboratories and Bodies under accreditation: 1,600

Testing Laboratories		1,115
ISO/IEC 17025	1,113	
ISO 15189	2	
Proficiency Testing Providers		7
ISO/IEC 17043		
Calibration Laboratories		170
ISO/IEC 17025		
Certification, Verification and Inspection Bodies		308
ISO/IEC 17021, ISO/IEC 17024, ISO/IEC 17065, ISO/IEC 17020, UNI EN ISO 14065		

The management system certified sites

141,400 certifications of management systems issued under accreditation (certified productive sites):

QMS	Quality management systems (ISO 9001, ISO 13485 and others)	126,500
EMS	Environmental management systems (ISO 14001)	19,700
OHSAS	Occupational health & safety management systems (OHSAS 18001)	12,835
ISMS	Information security management systems (ISO/IEC 27001)	660
FSMS	Food safety management systems (ISO 22000)	580

HALAL scheme - situation

What has been done so far (work in progress)

- 1) General Agreement between ESMA and ACCREDIA
- 2) General Agreement between GAC and ACCREDIA
- 3) Information given to EA (according Reg. 765/2008)
- 4) Drafting the operation Agreement between GAC and ENAC/
ACCREDIA
- 5) Ready to receive applications in 1 month

1. General Agreement between ESMA and ACCREDIA

20th October 2015 in Expo (Milan)



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

FOR COOPERATION IN
HALAL ACCREDITATION

BETWEEN

ESMA

EMIRATES AUTHORITY FOR
STANDARDIZATION & METROLOGY

&

ACCREDIA

ITALIAN NATIONAL ACCREDITATION BODY

Article (1) : Scope

The Parties will cooperate in the field of accreditation of Halal certification bodies in Italy in accordance with UAE.S 2055-2 for the United Arab Emirates requirements for Halal certification bodies.

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Article (3): Accreditation of Halal Certification Bodies

The two parties will agree on the following:

1. ACCREDIA will comply with UAE.S 2055-3 for Halal accreditation bodies;
2. ACCREDIA will provide accreditation to Halal Certification bodies in Italy in accordance with UAE.S 2055-2;

[...]

6. ACCREDIA will notify ESMA of the Halal certification bodies that were accredited by ACCREDIA to complete their registration in ESMA database;

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7. ACCREDIA will notify ESMA of any changes in the accreditation status of the Halal certification bodies it accredited;

8. ESMA may conduct peer assessment to ensure the proper fulfillment of Halal requirements;

9. Accreditation, according EU Regulation 765/2008, § 2 point 10) has to be provided according to a harmonized standard. If UAE.S 2055-2 is not based a harmonized standard, the activity will be carried out outside the EA/IAF MLA agreements, and no reference to "accreditation" will be done.

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Article (10): Validity and entry into force

The memorandum is concluded for five years period and shall enter into force on the day of its signature. Validity of this memorandum shall be automatically extended for further five years periods unless either of the Parties terminates it by a six months written notice to the other Party.

2. General Agreement between GAC and ACCREDIA

2nd November 2015 in Milan (during IAF / ILAC meetings)



Article 2: Scope of the MOU

This MOU covers the relationship between ACCREDIA and GAC on matters of accreditation.

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Welcome Message

As a collaboration agreement, the topic of the journal of conformity assessment, standardization, certification, and accreditation, including test results, conformity certificates, quality marks, quality management systems certificate, etc. Hence, consumers tend to feel assured towards such a system that comprises manufacturers or service providers, conformity assessment bodies, metrological calibration labs, inspection bodies, certification bodies and finally, the accreditation process that acts as umbrella that assure the credibility of such services and the efficiency of the concerned bodies in pursuit of confident products and services.

Director General, H.E. Nabil A. Moha

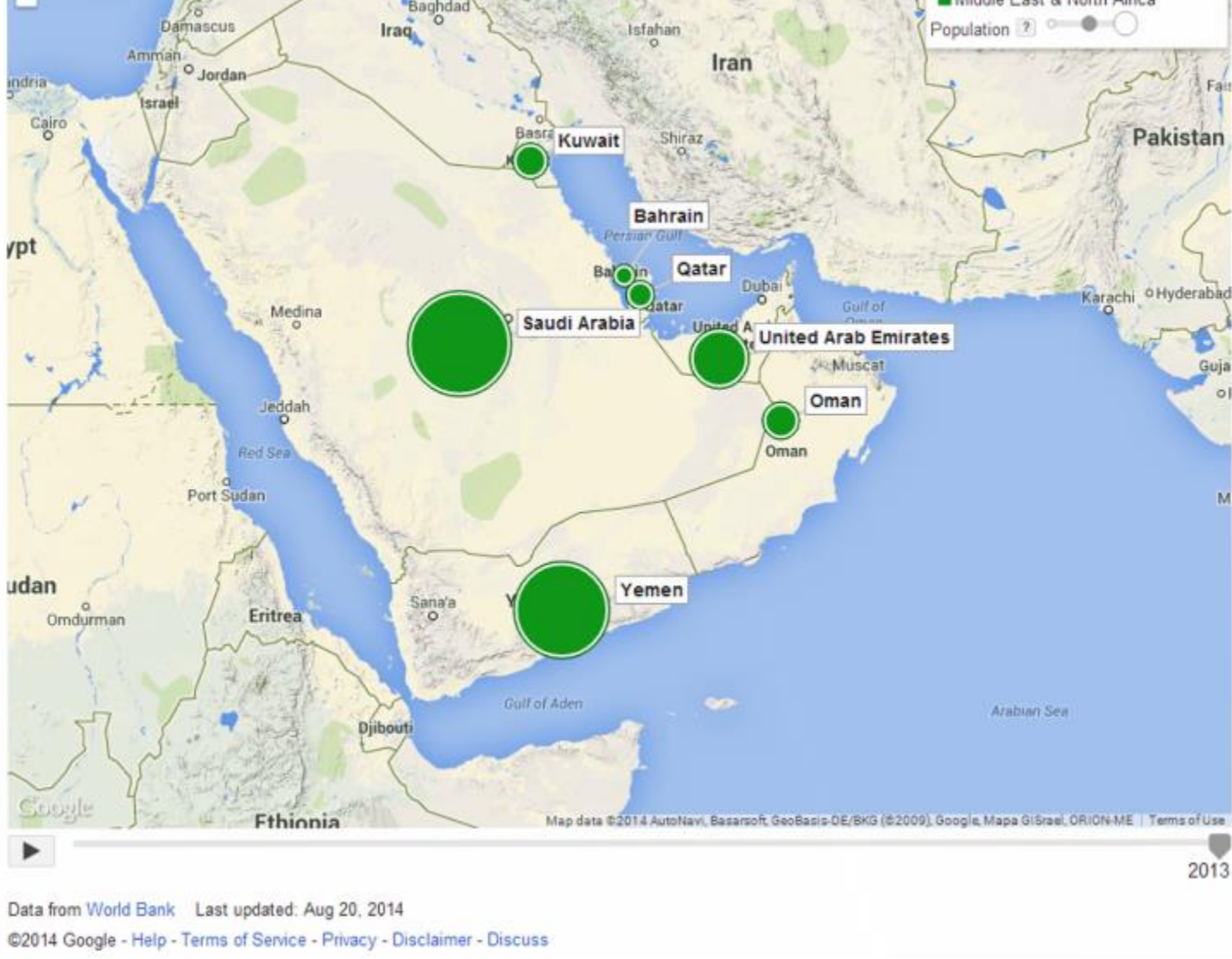
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Article 3: Areas of Cooperation

The Parties will cooperate in the following areas:

- a. assessment of conformity assessment bodies applying for accreditation or already accredited by ACCREDIA or GAC;
- b. attendance of seminars and training courses organised by the other Party;
- c. exchange of experience and technical information on accreditation; and
- d. introduction of experts to the other Party according to the needs of such Party and subject to the availability of experts.

3. Information given to EA

In EA for the developing of new schemes, the applicable rule is EA 1/22 (EA Procedure and Criteria for the Evaluation of Conformity Assessment Schemes by EA Accreditation Body Members).

However, considering that:

- this scheme is regulated (mandatory to export in Emirates)
- this scheme is based on an harmonized standard (ISO/IEC 17065, published on European gazette)
- this scheme is based on a standard issued by a standardization body (ESMA) member of ISO

It is not necessary that EA performs an evaluation of the scheme (applying EA 1/22).

So, each European Accreditation Body can provide accreditation in this field, and the activity is covered by EA MLA agreements.

However, this AB has to sign an agreements with ESMA (and eventually with GAC, in order to speed the process).

4. Drafting the operation Agreement between GAC and Accredia / ACCREDIA

We have 2 options:

1. activity performed jointly by Accredia and GAC (the audit team is composed by people from Accredia and people from GAC, and the same for accreditation decision)
1. activity performed before by GAC (on religious issue) and only after by Accredia (on food hygiene requirements – similar to ISO 22000)

4. Drafting the operation Agreement between GAC and Accredia / ACCREDIA

At the moment, the idea is to run the 2nd option.

In this way:

1. GAC, that is fully accepted in Halal community and by ESMA, can evaluate religious requirements;
1. ACCREDIA, that is fully accepted in European/International community and by EA/IAF/ILAC, can evaluate technical requirements only on Certification bodies already authorized by GAC. It is similar to ISO 22000 (Management System for food sector).
2. ESMA can rely on the activity performed by GAC and ACCREDIA, and accept the result of the activity;
3. In future, when the activity will be more developed, we can decide to run option 1;

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5. ACCREDIA and GAC can attend as observer to the activities performed by GAC/Accredia, in order to have an exchange of experience;
6. The same approach will be taken by ENAC (Spanish Accreditation Body);
7. Accredia already involved in its steering committee Imam Yhya Pallavicini. The Board of Directors of Accredia agreed that Accredia can run the accreditation in this field.

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Requirements

- Standard for the Accreditation bodies: ISO 17011 + UAE.S 2055-3
- Standard for Certification bodies ISO 17065 + UAE.S 2055-2
- Standard for the Companies UAE.S 2055-1 (GSO 05/FDS/2055-2:2015)

**ACCREDIA and GAC will apply the following process (draft).
Any exchange of information will be in English**

Process	CAB	Activity of ACCREDIA	Activity of GAC	Remarks
Quotation	CAB sends the application to ACCREDIA	Application is on accredia web site		
	CAB shall give explicit permission to ACCREDIA to share any information of the Assessment process with GAC and ESMA			

ACCREDIA and GAC will apply the following process. Any exchange of information will be in English

Process	CAB	Activity of ACCREDIA	Activity of GAC	Remarks
Acceptance of the application and Quotation		<p>ACCREDIA sends to GAC the application received with the request to conduct the assessment on the CAB</p> <p>Quotation of Accredia include document review, initial audit in the CAB and witnessing</p>	<p>GAC send a confirmation to ACCREDIA on the acceptability of the application, and get in touch with the applicant to perform its assessment.</p>	<p>The applicant should pay both application fees to ACCREDIA and to GAC</p> <p>ACCREDIA and GAC will charge only to the CAB.</p>

Process	CAB	Activity of ACCREDIA	Activity of GAC	Remarks
Assessment of CAB			<p>GAC Conducts the assessment of CAB according to its normal procedures.</p> <p>After the assessment GAC submits to ACCREDIA the recommendation to proceed with ACCREDIA assessment.</p>	<p>Observers from GAC and from ACCREDIA can participate in each other's assessments.</p>

Process	CAB	Activity of ACCREDIA	Activity of GAC	Remarks
Assessment		Following a positive recommendation to continue the process, ACCREDIA performs the assessment on compliance of ISO/IEC 17065 to the ACB as per ACCREDIA procedures.		Observers from GAC and from ACCREDIA can participate in each other's assessments.

Process	CAB	Activity of ACCREDIA	Activity of GAC	Remarks
Decision		ACCREDIA shall inform GAC and ESMA of any accreditation granted in this scheme		ACCREDIA will issue an accreditation certificate with reference to the relevant accreditation standard. The accreditation schedule shall include the relevant Halal Standards. A reference to the scheme will be made to facilitate its recognition by ESMA.

Process	CAB	Activity of ACCREDIA	Activity of GAC	Remarks
Surveillances	Accredited CAB shall inform of any change affecting the conditions of its accreditation.	<p>Surveillance activities shall be performed by ACCREDIA according to its procedures.</p> <p>ACCREDIA will report changes in the CAB that could affect compliance with CAB to GAC that will react according to its own procedures.</p>	<p>GAC will perform surveillance activities on CAB according to its own rules.</p> <p>GAC will inform ACCREDIA of the kind of changes in the CAB that could compromise the fulfillment of CAB.</p>	

Process	CAB	Activity of ACCREDIA	Activity of GAC	Remarks
		<p>ACCREDIA will suspend the accreditation if GAC reports non compliance by an accredited CAB.</p> <p>ACCREDIA will keep informed to GAC and ESMA of any suspension or withdrawal of accreditation and of reductions and extensions of scope and reasons of that decision.</p>	<p>GAC will inform ACCREDIA if in any moment they consider that the CAB no longer fulfills the requirements.</p>	

4. Ready to GO!

In 1 month Accredia could be ready to process applications for Halal

What is missing:

- How to write scope of the certificate (full list of the halal products? clustering? No details?)
- Witnessing rules with GAC (1 witness for all halal products, o 1 witness for each cluster?)
- Split in details the requirements to be checked by GAC and by Accredia
- Sign the agreement (annex) with GAC

Thanks for your kind attention

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Presentation: Accreditation of HFFIA by ESMA and GAC

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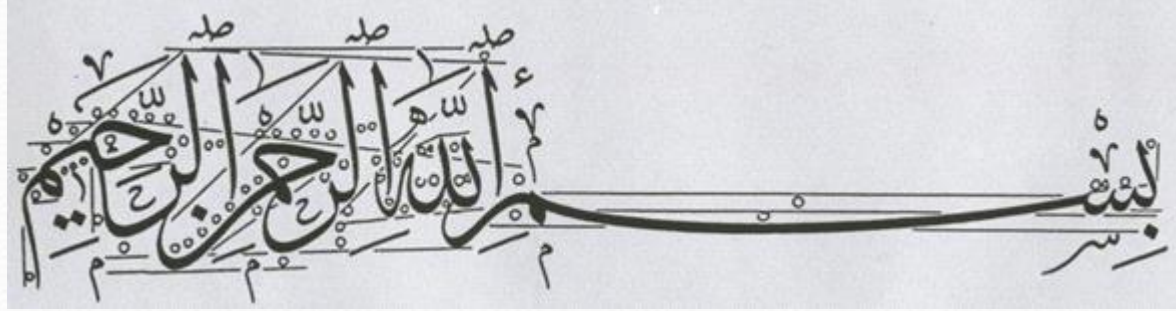


Accreditation of HFFIA by ESMA and GAC

EU-GCC Roundtable:
The new UAE Halal Scheme and the consequences
Airport Hotel Steigenberger, Amsterdam Netherlands
April 13, 2016

Yasmina Ben-Koubia, HFFIA





إن الحمد لله نحمده ونستعينه ونستغفره ، ونعوذ بالله من شرور أنفسنا ومن سيئات أعمالنا، من يهده الله فلا مضل له، ومن يضلل فلا هادي له، وأشهد أن لا إله إلا الله وحده لا شريك له وأشهد أن محمداً عبده ورسوله

Verily all praise is for Allah, we praise Him and seek His aid and ask for His forgiveness and we seek refuge with Allah from the evils of ourselves and our evil actions. Whomever Allah guides there is none who can misguide him, and whomever Allah misguides there is none who can guide him, and I bear witness that none has the right to be worshiped except Allah alone, having no partner, and I bear witness that Muhammad is His servant and His Messenger



Content

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Background HFFIA

Federation of Muslim Organisations, The Netherlands

1975

MIC research about Halal certifiers and Halal food in The Netherlands, Europe.

1983

Halal Feed and Food Inspection Authority establishment

1996

Muslim Information Centre, The Netherlands (MIC)

1980

Halal Feed and Food Foundation establishment

1994



HFFIA - Accreditations

The Halal Certification process of HFFIA is in conformity with the following standards:

1. ISO/IEC 17065:2012
2. UAE.S 2055-2:2014
3. Halal Assurance System HAS 23000:1, LPPOM-MUI 2012
4. Malaysian Halal Standard Halal food: Production, Preparation, Handling and Storage-General Guide (MS 1500:2009, second revision).

HFFIA has combined these requirements in the **HFFIA Halal Quality Assurance System (HQAS)** to encompass the relevant standards.



HFFIA - Accreditations

HFFIA always seeks to excel in the field of Halal certification; HFFIA strives to be the number 1!

To this end HFFIA explored the new requirements of ESMA and GAC two years ago and we were convinced that this was one of the best schemes for Accreditation of Halal Certification Bodies.

HFFIA fully committed to this scheme and applied to the Gulf Accreditation Center (GAC) in 2014 to be accredited in accordance with the recognised International Standard ISO/IEC 17065:2012, “Conformity assessment -- Requirements for bodies certifying products, processes and services” and GSO/2055-2:2015 “Halal Food – part 2 – Requirements for Halal certification bodies”

Challenges and Learning Curve

Some examples of added value of ISO/IEC 17065:2012:

- Establishing Impartiality Committee
- Establishing transparent QMS
- Having a defined set of structural requirements for your top management and personnel
- Certification Decision and Evaluation Process

Challenges and Learning Curve

Some examples of added value of UAE.S 2055-2:2014

- Reference to ISO/IEC 17065:2012 and other ISO standards regarding organizational, legal and structural requirements
- Establishing the requirements regarding Islamic Responsibility
- Establishing competencies of Management and personnel involved in different levels of the HCB
- Requirement for stage 1 and stage 2 audits and including Food Safety requirements in audits
- Establishing minimum audit time

Challenges and Learning Curve

HFFIA was audited in two stages:

- Stage 1 – several non conformities and clear and transparent feedback on all the non conformities
- Stage 2 audit – three days with three auditors
 - Complete HFFIA QMS audited
 - On site audits for several clients
 - Transparent report and checklist

Once the follow up points were addressed and the documents verified, HFFIA received the certificates:



Mr. Mohamed M'Hamdi, director HFFIA and Mrs. Yasmina Ben-Koubia, Management Team HFFIA, receiving the ESMA registration certificate from the Director General of the Emirates Authority for Standardization and Metrology ESMA, H.E. Abdullah Al Muaini



Mr. Mohamed M'Hamdi, director HFFIA, and Mrs. Yasmina Ben-Koubia, Management Team HFFIA, receiving the GAC accreditation certificate from Director General of the GCC Accreditation Center, H.E. Nabil A Molla





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Emirates Authority For Standardization & Metrology




CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF HALAL CERTIFICATION BODIES

Certificate No: UHRC-001

This is to certify that **Halal Feed and Food Inspection Authority (HFFIA)**, P.O.Box 16786, 2500 BT - The Hague, The Netherlands has been registered with ESMA for the scope as specified in the attachment. The certification body complies with the requirements of the Standard UAE.S 2055 -2:2014 Halal products - Part two: General Requirements for Halal Certification Bodies. The certification body has obtained the accreditation from GCC Accreditation Center, KSA and its accreditation certificate No is HPC 0001. This certificate is valid for one year from the date of registration. The organization itself is responsible for the results of performed activities.

Date of Registration: 18/02/2016.


Abdulla Al Maeni
Director General
ESMA



esma.gov.ae

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O mankind, eat from whatever is on earth [that is] lawful and good and do not follow the footsteps of Satan. Indeed, he is to you a clear enemy. 2: 168



((يا أيها الناس كلوا مما في الأرض حلالاً طيباً ولا تتبعوا خطوات الشيطان إنه لكم عدو مبين)) البقرة 168

ACCREDITATION CERTIFICATE

**Halal Product Certification
No. HPC 0001**

Halal Feed and Food Inspection Authority- HFFIA
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This accreditation demonstrates technical competence for a defined scope as detailed in and at the locations specified in the schedule to this certificate. The Schedule to this certificate is an essential accreditation document and from time to time may be revised and reissued by the GCC accreditation Center. The most recent issue of the schedule of accreditation which bears the same accreditation number as this certificate, is available from the GAC website www.GCC-accreditation.org

The accreditation is subject to continuing conformity with GAC Accreditation requirements. The absence of a schedule on the GAC website indicates that the accreditation is no longer in force.

Date of accreditation is from: 21 February 2016

Expiry date: : 20 February 2018

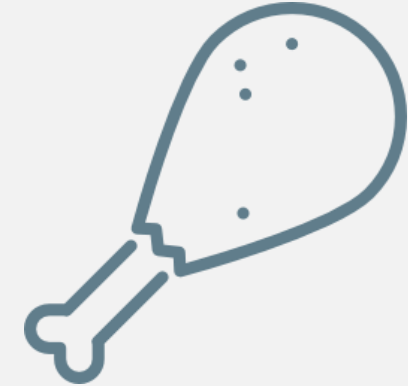
The GAC internal project number is: AC 0015-1

Director General, GCC Accreditation Center.



Thank you





Roundtable Discussion:

Current practices for CBS and food industry and expected changes due to the application of the new rules



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