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To All accredited and applicant Certification/Inspection/Validation and Verification bodies
To all the DC department assessors and experts

SUBJECT

Certification and Inspection Department

Informative Circular DC N $^{\circ}$ 47/2022 - Emission Errata Corrige rev. 05 Regulation RG-01 General Part and rev. 02 RG-01-02, request to sign the Acceptance Clause and Communication about the adaptation to the new Accreditation Agreement.

Dear Sirs,

Below is a summary of the modifications introduced in the corrigenda to the above Regulations. The modifications introduced are necessary, in some cases, to better clarify the aspects regarding which requests for clarification have been made by the accredited bodies and, in other cases, to align the specifications with the notes formulated by the Committee for Accreditation Activities (CdA) during the approval phase of the new revisions of the Regulations of the Testing Laboratories and Calibration Laboratories Departments.

In RG-01 General part:

- § 0.4 inclusion of the definition of "Certificate of accreditation" aligning it with the definition in the regulations of the other departments;
- § 1.1.8: transferred from RG-01-02, because it is applicable to all areas of accreditation, the requirement that if an accreditation is issued against owner schemes and subsequently standards are issued for the same area of application, the same requirement must obligatorily transit to these, with the exception of accreditations and certifications issued abroad if the standard is issued only at a national level (also specified for cases of extension in § 1.2.3);
- § 1.5.1.6.1: implementation of the indications contained in the document IAF PR 7:2022 (issued in May 2022 and therefore not available for the revisions approved on 05.03.2022 by the Directive Council) for the management of transitions in the absence of specific resolutions issued at an international level;

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- § 1.8.2: implementation of the specification "in application of the regulations concerning international resolutions (e.g. sanctions)" requested by the Directive Council during the in-depth examination of the Regulations of the other departments as regards indisputable judgements for geopolitical reasons;
- § 1.8.2.6: elimination of the fact that in cases of withdrawal for fraudulent behaviour, the CAB can no longer re-submit an application because it has been verified that there is no limitation regarding this at international level (IAF MD 7:2010 does not provide indications).

In RG-01-02:

- § 1.1: moved to RG-01 General Part the previously mentioned requirement of the transition from owner scheme to standard;
- § 2.1.4: inclusion of a new specific paragraph for the "variation of the scope of certification" and definition of the management methods of the two cases that may arise:
 - > Case A Extension to new specialization with issuance of new certificate;
 - > Case B Extension to new specialization with update of the existing certificate.
- § 2.1.2: specification that any attestation according to art. 7 of Law no. 4/2013 (attestations issued by Associations registered in the MiSE list), can contribute where expressly provided for by the certification standard/scheme only to the partial reduction of the requirements for access to exams. In no case is the reduction of the assessment/audit process permitted, unless this is expressly provided for by the standard/certification scheme.

It remains confirmed the entry into force approved by the Board of Directors at the meeting of 3 May u.s.: 01.01.2023.

Therefore, we ask you to send, by 2 January 2023, to the attention of our General Secretariat at the email address: milano@accredia.it the acceptance clause referred to page 53 in the Regulation RG-01 General Part rev. 05.

With the occasion we inform you that we will continue with the process, already underway since July 2021, of re-issue the Accreditation Agreement to the current rev. 07 (for legal entities that have not yet signed in this revision) on the occasion of the first useful renewal or where changes will be made to the accredited legal entity.

We remain available for any clarification.

Best regards,

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