

# ISO Regional Workshop on Conformity Assessment



## Conformity Assessment Supporting Development and Trade

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# Introduction

Products and services are like promises. Business customers, consumers, users and public officials have expectations about products and services relating to features like quality, ecology, safety, economy, reliability, compatibility, interoperability, efficiency and effectiveness. Conformity assessment means evaluating and confirming such features as defined in standards, regulations and other specifications. In this way, conformity assessment makes sure that products and services deliver on their promises.



Conformity assessment may consist of any one of, or all of the following: sample testing, inspection, process evaluation, suppliers' declaration of conformity, management system certification/registration, personnel certification, product certification, mutual recognition of results and the accreditation and peer assessment of the competence of the organizations conducting these activities – collectively known as “conformity assessment bodies”. ISO and IEC have recently updated the international standards and guides for all these activities.

ISO/IEC standards and guides on conformity assessment provide benefits for manufacturers and service providers, consumers and government regulators, as well as for international trade.

## PURPOSE

The purpose of the workshop is to provide information on the latest international standards and guides that set out the internationally agreed practices for conformity assessment activities. The workshop will be an opportunity to improve understanding of what is expected by WTO agreement in relation to conformity assessment procedures, including, management systems and product certification, and methods for providing added confidence in conformity assessment results such as accreditation, peer assessment and mutual recognition arrangements (MRAs). It will discuss the regional structures being put into place that together with the international structures facilitate trade within the region and internationally. Special emphasis will be given to the use of mutual recognition agreements and their role in facilitating trade. The workshop will give particular emphasis to the role of metrology in setting the foundation stone for conformity assessment.



## TARGET AUDIENCE

The workshop is tailored to meet the interests of senior trade policy specialists, standardization officials, economists, regulatory policy specialists, manufacturers, certification and accreditation bodies from the region.

The workshop is organized by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and hosted by the State Committee of Ukraine on Technical Regulation and Consumer Policy (DSSU), the ISO member for Ukraine.

# Programme

12 June 2008

08:30 Registration

09:00-10:30 **Opening session**

09:00-09:15 *Mrs. Larysa Losyuk*, Head, State Committee of Ukraine for Technical Regulation and Consumer Policy (DSSU)

09:15-09:45 *Mr. Alan Bryden*, Secretary-General, International Organization for Standardization (ISO)

09:45-10:00 Representative of the Ministry of Economy of Ukraine

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10:00-10:30 *Morning break*

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10:30-12:15 **The importance of conformity assessment in supporting development and trade**

10:30-11:00 Strategic issues on conformity assessment

*Mr. Olivier Peyrat*, ISO/CASCO Chair, CEO AFNOR, France

11:00-11:30 UNIDO activities in support of conformity assessment

11:30-12:15 The IEC conformity assessment schemes' contribution to development and trade

*Mr. Gabriel Barta*, Head of Technical Coordination, International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) and Secretary, IEC Conformity Assessment Board (CAB)

**Chairperson**

*Mr. Yuriy Zharkov*, Deputy Head, DSSU

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12:15-13:45 *Lunch*

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13:45-16:00 **Providing confidence in conformity assessment – accreditation**

13:45-14:30 How the CASCO toolbox provides the framework for confidence in conformity assessment

*Mr. Olivier Peyrat*, ISO/CASCO Chair, CEO AFNOR France

14:30-15:15 The role of metrology in quality infrastructure and PTB's technical cooperation programme in Eastern Europe

*Martin Scheiber*, PTB Project Coordinator, Technical Cooperation in Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia

15:15-16:00 Presentation of ILAC and IAF. What is covered by international Multilateral Recognition Agreements (MLAs)

*Mr. Daniel Pierre*, Chair, International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC)

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16:00-16:30 *Afternoon break*

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16:30-17:15 **Providing confidence in conformity assessment – accreditation (cont.)**

16:30-17:15 EU legal framework on accreditation and market surveillance

*Mr. Daniel Pierre*, Chair, International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC)

**Chairperson**

*Mr. Pedro I. Espina*, Bureau International des Poids et Mesures (BIPM)



**08:30-10:30 Management system certification**

**08:30-09:30** International standards and guides – Management system certification (ISO/IEC 17021)  
The potential problems that certification bodies in developing regions will face in meeting the new ISO/IEC 17021 standard  
*Mr. Alister Dalrymple*, International Director AFAQ France

**09:30-10:00** Process approach for an integrated management system  
*Mr. Alex Ezrakhovich*, General Manager, SAI Global Certification Services

**10:00-10:15** Implementation of the international standard ISO/IEC 17000 on conformity assessment in Ukraine  
*Mr. Oleksiy Tsitsiliano*, Director General, UkrNDNC

**10:15-10:30** Practical experience of Ukrainian conformity assessment bodies  
*Mr. Viktor Rymer*, Deputy Director General, Ukrmetrteststandart

**Chairperson**

*Mr. Serhiy Cherepkov*, Deputy Head, DSSU

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**10:30-11:00** *Morning break*

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**11:00-13:00 Management system certification (cont.)**

**11:00-11:30** Auditing Practices Group, ISO/TC176/IAF ISO 9001:2000  
*Mr. Alex Ezrakhovich*, General Manager, SAI Global Certification Services

**11:30-12:00** Inspection International requirements and auditing practices for ISO/IEC 17020  
*Dr. Hugo Eberhardt*, CEOC President

**12:00-12:30** Ukrainian experience in the sphere of inspection and market surveillance  
*Mr. Volodymyr Misyachnyy*, Deputy Director General, Ukrmetrteststandart

**Chairperson**

*Mr. Gabriel Barta*, Head of Technical Coordination, International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) and Secretary, IEC Conformity Assessment Board (CAB)

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**12:30-13:30** *Lunch*

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**13:30-15:00 Metrology**

**13:30-14:00** Roles of BIPM and OIML in metrology  
*Mr. Pedro I. Espina*, Bureau International des Poids et Mesures (BIPM)

**14:00-14:30** The status of metrology in the region  
*Mr. Goryslav Sydorenko*, Director General, National Scientific Centre "Institute of Metrology"

**Chairperson**

*Mr. Alister Dalrymple*, International Director AFAQ France

**14:30-15:00 Synthesis and closing address**

*Mrs. Larysa Losyuk*, Head, State Committee of Ukraine for Technical Regulation and Consumer Policy (DSSU)

