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**SNAS POLICY ON ACCREDITATION OF
MULTIDISCIPLINARY ENTITIES**

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PURPOSE:**This prescription delineates SNAS policy on multidisciplinary entities.**Drafted by: **Ing. Tibor Czocher, MPH****Ing. Renáta Kuřková**

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1 SNAS POLICY ON ACCREDITATION OF MULTIDISCIPLINARY ENTITIES

Accredited multidisciplinary certification or accreditation body is such an entity that for identical certification/inspection scope showed during assessing proficiency to fulfil requirements of the Standards of activities related to activities which he was granted accreditation for.

In case of multidisciplinary certification body for products related activities are testing and inspection of products delineated in the certification body scope.

In case of multidisciplinary inspection body related activity are testing of products and equipment delineated in the inspection body scope.

1) SNAS consider as multidisciplinary such an entity seeking accreditation which because of many reasons performs all activities (partial processes) related to products certification or inspection at one site. SNAS accepts as such following cases:

- a) narrow activity scope – narrow scope (limited kind) of products in case of certification body for products, narrowly defined inspection field, e. g. in case of inspection body inspection of organizations from the point of view of production of waste gases, waste waters, analysis of exhaust gases of cars etc.;
- b) narrow scope of tests connected to products certification, e. g. safety characteristics of a product of regulated sphere, water analysis, gases analysis;
- c) certification or inspection body is distributed to small, distant units aimed to very narrow kind of products or inspection activities;
- d) testing of products for certification or testing for inspection is performed only according to set, clearly defined standard procedures.

2) Conditions to be met by a certification or inspection body are:

- a) independence and impartiality in relation to entities which certification or inspection activity provide for, it means to meet conditions of the third party for client organizations also from the point of view of scope of certified products or inspected equipments and services;
- b) to meet requirements of ISO/IEC 17025 Standard for products sampling and testing;
- c) to meet requirements of EN 45011 Standard in case of certification of products;
- d) to meet requirements of ISO/IEC 17020 Standard in case of inspection activities.
- e) Multidisciplinary certification body should always ensure separability of testing

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processes, conformity assessment and decision making on certificate granting.

- f) An entity seeking accreditation as multidisciplinary certification or inspection body has to specify (according to MSA-L/01, MSA-CP/01, MSA-I/01) in its scope separately all activities which it is going to carry out (sampling, testing, certification, inspection) as a certification or inspection body as well as names of staff members who are going to carry out individual activities.
- g) Assessment of a multidisciplinary body is carried out from the point of view of requirements mentioned under points 2) and 3).
- h) An entity accredited as a multidisciplinary certification or inspection body will be granted an accreditation certificate as a certification or inspection body with reference to activities mentioned in an Annex to the certificate.

2 RELATED DOCUMENTS

ISO/IEC 17011: General Requirements for Accreditation Bodies Accrediting CABs

SNAS Quality Manual

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