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SCOPE AND SCOPE SPECIFICATION OF ACCREDITATION OF VALIDATION AND VERIFICATION BODIES

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1 INTRODUCTION

This methodical guideline defines the scope and the scope specification of accreditation of validation and verification bodies according to EN ISO/IEC 17029: 2019, EN ISO 14065: 2021, obligatory for employees of an accreditation body and applicants for accreditation.

2 ABBREVIATIONS USED

Coll.	Collection of laws
EA	European Accreditation
EC	European Communities
EN	European Standard
ETS	Emissions Trading System
ETS2	Emissions Trading System II
EU	European Union
IAF	International Accreditation Forum
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
M	Mandatory
MD	Mandatory Document
MSA	Methodical Guideline for Accreditation
SNAS	Slovak National Accreditation Service
VVB, V	Validation and Verification Body

3 RELATED DOCUMENTS

EN ISO/IEC 17029: 2019	Conformity assessment – General principles and requirements for validation and verification bodies
EN ISO 14065: 2021	General principles and requirements for bodies validating and verifying environmental information

EN ISO 14064-3: 2019	Greenhouse gases. Part 3: Specification with guidance for the validation and verification of greenhouse gas statements
ISO 14066: 2023	Environmental information – Competence requirements for teams validating and verifying environmental information
EN ISO 14064-1: 2019	Greenhouse gases. Part 1: Specification with guidance at the organization level for quantification and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions and removals
EN ISO 14064-2: 2019	Greenhouse gases. Part 2: Specification with guidance at the project level for quantification, monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas emission reductions or removal enhancements
EN ISO 14067: 2018	Greenhouse gases. Carbon footprint of products. Requirements and guidelines for quantification
Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2067	on the verification of data and on the accreditation of verifiers pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council
Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2084	amending and correcting Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2067 on the verification of data and on the accreditation of verifiers pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council
Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/1321	amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2067 as regards the verification of data and the accreditation of verifiers
Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2066	on the monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and amending Commission Regulation (EU) No 601/2012
Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2085	amending and correcting Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2066 on the monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council
Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/2122	amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2066 as regards updating the monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council
	amending and correcting Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2066 on the monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/2493	emissions pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council
Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council	establishing a system for greenhouse gas emission allowance trading within the Union and amending Council Directive 96/61/EC
Act No. 414/2012 Coll.	on trading with emission quotas and on amendments to certain Acts, as amended
MSA-02	SNAS logo and marks, reference to accreditation
MSA-04	Procedure for accreditation
MSA-V/02	IAF Mandatory Document for the Application of ISO 14065: 2020 (IAF MD 6:2023)
MSA-V/03	Witness assessment of validation and verification bodies
MSA-V/04	EA document for accreditation of Verification Bodies for the purpose of EU ETS Directive (EA-6/03 M: 2022)

4 SCOPE AND SCOPE SPECIFICATION OF ACCREDITATION

4.1 SCOPE OF ACCREDITATION

The scope of accreditation is a general definition of activities of an organization, accredited or seeking accreditation for.

The characteristics of the scope of accreditation will also be laid down in the accreditation certificate.

The scope of accreditation of validation and verification bodies represents the performance of:

- verification of greenhouse gas emission reports, and activity level reports according to Act No. 414/2012 Coll. and on amendments to certain laws, and Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2066, as amended by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2085, Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/2122.
- monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions pursuant to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/2493.
- verification of claims on greenhouse gas emissions and removals at the organization level according to EN ISO 14064-1: 2019.
- verification and/or validation of claims on greenhouse gas emission reductions and removals at the project level according to EN ISO 14064-2: 2019.

- verification of claims on greenhouse gas emission reductions and removals of products according to EN ISO 14067: 2018.

4.2 SCOPE SPECIFICATION OF ACCREDITATION/SPECIFICATION OF ACTIVITIES

The scope specification of accreditation is a detailed description of activities for the performance of which an organization is accredited.

The specification of activities is a range of activities for which an organization seeks accreditation and which in form is identical with the scope specification of accreditation.

The scope specification of accreditation is laid down in the application for accreditation and it will also be laid down in the annex to the accreditation certificate.

The scope specification of accreditation of validation and verification bodies is expressed as a table consisting of all activities for which the validation and verification body may be accredited and is listed in Tables 2-4.

In the case, that validation and verification body have more premises, where one or more key activities are performed, under the table with the scope of accreditation shall be stated the following:

All premises from which one or more key activities are performed by the validation and verification body and which are covered by the accreditation:

Table 1 Name and address of premises

No	Name and address of premises

Table 2 The scope of accreditation for verification according to Annex I of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2067, as amended by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2084, Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/1321.

Item	Activity group	Activities
1	1a	Combustion of fuels in installations, where only commercial standard fuels as defined in Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2066 are used, or where natural gas is used in category A or B installations.
2	1b	Combustion of fuels in installations, without restrictions
3	1c	Verification of emissions covered by Chapter IVa of Directive 2003/87/EC
4	2	Refining of oil
5	3	- Production of coke - Metal ore (including sulphide ore) roasting or sintering, including pelletisation - Production of iron or steel (primary or secondary fusion) including continuous casting
6	4	- Production or processing of ferrous metals (including ferro-alloys) - Production of secondary aluminium - Production or processing of non-ferrous metals, including production of alloys
7	5	Production of primary aluminium or alumina (CO ₂ and PFC emissions)
8	6	- Production of cement clinker - Production of lime or calcination of dolomite or magnesite - Manufacture of glass including glass fibre - Manufacture of ceramic products by firing - Manufacture of mineral wool insulation material - Drying or calcination of gypsum or production of plaster boards and other gypsum products
9	7	- Production of pulp from timber or other fibrous materials - Production of paper or cardboard

Item	Activity group	Activities
10	8	- Production of carbon black - Production of ammonia - Production of bulk organic chemicals by cracking, reforming, partial or full oxidation or by similar processes - Production of hydrogen (H₂) and synthesis gas - Production of soda ash (Na₂CO₃) and sodium bicarbonate (NaHCO₃)
11	9	- Production of nitric acid (CO₂ and N₂O emissions) - Production of adipic acid (CO₂ and N₂O emissions) - Production of glyoxal and glyoxylic acid (CO₂ and N₂O emissions)
12	10	- Capture of greenhouse gases from installations covered by Directive 2003/87/EC for the purpose of transport and geological storage in a storage site permitted under Directive 2009/31/EC - Transport of greenhouse gases for geological storage in a storage site permitted under Directive 2009/31/EC, with the exclusion of those emissions covered by another activity listed in Annex I to Directive 2003/87/EC
13	11	Geological storage of greenhouse gases in a storage site permitted under Directive 2009/31/EC
14	12	Aviation activities (emissions data)
15	98	Other activities pursuant to Article 10a and Article 10b paragraph 4 third and fourth subparagraphs, of Directive 2003/87/EC

For the activity group No 98 the accreditation can be granted only in conjunction with at least 1 activity group 1-9 or 12.

Table 3 Scope of accreditation for specific schemes:

EN ISO 14064-1: 2019

Greenhouse gases. Part 1: Specification with guidance at the organization level for quantification and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions and removals

and

EN ISO 14064-2: 2019

Greenhouse gases. Part 2: Specification with guidance at the project level for quantification, monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas emission reductions or removal enhancements

Item	Sector
1	Direct GHG emissions (excluding process emissions) and indirect GHG emissions from imported energy
2	Process GHG emissions (non-combustion, chemical reaction and other)
3	GHG emissions and removals from agriculture, forestry and other land use (AFOLU)
4	GHG emissions from livestock
5	Carbon storage in geological reservoirs
6	GHG emissions from decomposition of waste material

Table 4 Scope of accreditation for specific scheme:

EN ISO 14067: 2018

Greenhouse gases. Carbon footprint of products. Requirements and guidelines for quantification

Item	Sector	Activities
1	-	Carbon footprint of products