



## Adopted Resolutions of the 12<sup>th</sup> ARAC General Assembly

Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024, Makkah, KSA

### ARAC Resolution 2024/01

*The General Assembly approved the Agenda of the 12<sup>th</sup> GA meeting, Rev 04*

### ARAC Resolution 2024/02

*The General Assembly confirmed the minutes of the 11<sup>th</sup> General Assembly meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023, as presented.*

### ARAC Resolution 2024/03:

*The General Assembly welcomes the following decisions endorsed by the ARAC MLA Group regarding the ARAC MLA Signatory status of the Saudi Accreditation Center [SAAC]:*

*Based on the review of the self-declaration provided by SAAC, the ARAC MLA Group approves the extension of the ARAC MLA signatory status of SAAC to include the following levels 4 & 5 sub-scopes:*

- *ISO/TS 22003 (ISO 22003-1) Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of food safety management systems (Level 4).
  - o *ISO 22000 Food safety management systems (FSMS) (Level 5).**
- *ISO/IEC 17021-2 Competence requirements for auditing and certification of environmental management systems (Level 4).
  - o *ISO 14001 Environmental management systems (EMS) (Level 5).**
- *ISO 50003 Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of energy management systems (Level 4).
  - o *ISO 50001 Energy Management System (EnMS) (Level 5).**
- *ISO/IEC TS 17021-10 Competence requirements for auditing and certification of occupational health and safety management systems (Level 4).
  - o *ISO 45001 Occupational health and safety management systems (OH&SMS) (Level 5).**
- *ISO 13485 - Medical devices – Quality management systems (MDQMS) (Level 5).*

*These sub-scopes shall be evaluated at the next ARAC Re-evaluation of SAAC scheduled no later than **April 2027**.*

#### ARAC Resolution 2024/04:

*The General Assembly welcomes the following decisions endorsed by the ARAC MLA Group regarding the ARAC MLA Signatory status of the Emirates International Accreditation Centre [EIAC]:*

1. *Continues as ARAC MLA Signatory for the accreditation scopes listed below:*
  - *Management Systems (ISO/IEC 17021-1)*
    - o *Quality Management System (QMS) (ISO 9001)*
    - o *Environmental Management System (EMS) (ISO 14001)*
    - o *Food Safety Management System (FSMS) (ISO 22000)*
  - *Product Certification (ISO/IEC 17065)*
  - *Certification of Persons (ISO/IEC 17024)*
  
2. *Becomes ARAC MLA Signatory for the accreditation scope listed below:*
  - *Management Systems (ISO/IEC 17021-1)*
    - o *Information Security Management Systems ISMS (ISO/IEC 27001)*
    - o *Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems OH&SMS (ISO 45 001)*
  - *Proficiency Testing Providers (ISO/IEC 17043)*

*The next evaluation of EIAC be conducted no later than **November 2027**.*

#### ARAC Resolution 2024/05:

*The General Assembly welcomes the following decisions endorsed by the ARAC MLA Group regarding the ARAC MLA Signatory status of GCC Accreditation Center [GAC]:*

*The ARAC MLA Group approves the results of the re-evaluation of the GCC Accreditation Centre [GAC] and decides that GAC continues as ARAC MLA Signatory for the accreditation scopes listed below:*

- *Accreditation of Inspection Bodies (ISO/IEC 17020)*
- *Accreditation of Calibration Laboratories (ISO/IEC 17025)*
- *Accreditation of Management Systems Certification Bodies (MS) (ISO/IEC 17021-1)*
  - o *QMS (ISO 9001)*
  - o *EMS (ISO 14001)*
  - o *FSMS (ISO 22000)*

*The next evaluation of GAC shall be conducted no later than **December 2027**.*

#### ARAC Resolution 2024/06:

*The General Assembly notes the decision of the ARAC MLA Group regarding the results of the ARAC Initial Evaluation of the Sudanese Accreditation Council [SDAC]: The ARAC MLA Group has determined that, given the information available and the feedback from ARAC Peer Evaluation team on SDAC's response to the findings raised. Consequently, it has been decided that the Peer Evaluation process has been closed.*

### ARAC Resolution 2024/07:

*The General Assembly approves the following ARAC documents:*

- *ARAC PR 025 “Structure of The ARAC Multi-Lateral Recognition Arrangement and Procedure to extend the Arrangement”, Issue 08.*
- *ARAC PR 002 “Membership fees Procedure”, Issue 03.*

### ARAC Resolution 2024/08:

*The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation of the ARAC Technical Committee, decides to withdraw the Mandatory Document of the International Accreditation Forum “IAF MD 020 Generic Competence for AB assessors”.*

### ARAC Resolution 2024/09:

*The General Assembly, acting upon the recommendation from the ARAC Technical Committee, adopts the new versions of the following ILAC & IAF documents*

- *ILAC G18:01/2024 Guideline for describing Scopes of Accreditation ,*
- *ILAC P9:01/2024 ILAC Policy for Proficiency Testing and/or Interlaboratory comparisons other than Proficiency Testing*
- *IAF MD23:2023 Control of Entities Operating on Behalf of Accredited Management Systems Certification Bodies,*
- *IAF MD16:2024 Application of ISO/IEC 17011 for the Accreditation of Food Safety Management Systems (FSMS) Certification Bodies,*
- *IAF MD29:2024 Transition Requirements for ISO/IEC 27006-1:2024.*

### ARAC Resolution 2024/10:

*The General Assembly endorses the election of Mr Naif Abdulrahman Alobilan, SAAC as ARAC Communication and Marketing Committee for a period of three years from the date of issuance of this decision.*

### ARAC Resolution 2024/11:

*The General Assembly expresses its appreciation to Eng. Ali Almarzouq as Chair of ARAC CMC for his outstanding efforts to ARAC which contributed to the enhancement of ARAC.*

### ARAC Resolution 2024/12:

*The GA expressed its appreciation to the Regional Cooperation Bodies and IAF&ILAC for submitting reports to the 12th ARAC GA, which the GA accepted as read.*

### ARAC Resolution 2024/13:

*The General Assembly wishes to express its appreciation to the Saudi Accreditation Center [SAAC] for the exceptional and outstanding arrangements and hospitality in hosting the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual meetings of ARAC and the efforts being made to success of these meetings.*