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Supporting the work of regulators

ILAC - the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation - is an international cooperation of laboratory and inspection accreditation bodies formed more than 30 years ago to help remove technical barriers to trade.

Accreditation is the independent evaluation of conformity assessment bodies against recognised standards to carry out specific activities to ensure their impartiality and competence. Through the application of national and international standards, government, procurers and consumers can have confidence in the calibration and test results, inspection reports and certifications provided.

Accreditation bodies are established in many countries with the primary purpose of ensuring that conformity assessment bodies are subject to oversight by an authoritative body.

Accreditation bodies, that have been evaluated by peers as competent, sign arrangements that enhance the acceptance of products and services across national borders, thereby creating a framework to support international trade through the removal of technical barriers.

These arrangements are managed by the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC), in the field of laboratory and inspection accreditation, and the International Accreditation Forum (IAF), in the fields of management systems, products, services, personnel and other similar programmes of conformity assessment. Both organisations, ILAC and IAF work together and coordinate their efforts to enhance the accreditation and the conformity assessment worldwide.

ILAC provides a focus for:

- ▣ Developing and harmonising laboratory and inspection accreditation practices
- ▣ Promoting laboratory and inspection accreditation to industry, governments, regulators and consumers

ILAC welcomes NEI

Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) is welcomed as a Stakeholder member of ILAC. [Full Story](#)

ILAC welcomes ACCAB

Accreditation Commission for Conformity Assessment Bodies (ACCAB) is welcomed as an Affiliate member of ILAC. [Full Story](#)

OAE Membership Changes

Organismo de Acreditacion Ecuatoriano (OAE), Ecuador, is welcomed as a Full Member of ILAC. [Full Story](#)

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