

Announcement – Publication of Issue 2 of IAF MD 1:2018

This serves to announce the publication of **Issue 2 of IAF MD 1: IAF Mandatory Document for the Audit and Certification of a Management System Operated by a Multi-Site Organization**. This document which was published on 29 January 2018 and is mandatory for Certification Bodies of Management Systems for the consistent application of Section 9 of ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015 Conformity assessment - Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems - Part 1: Requirements, for all situations, other than where specified in scheme documentation, involving the audit and certification of Management Systems operated by organizations with a number of sites with a single management system. All clauses of ISO/IEC 17021-1 continue to apply, and this document does not supersede any of the requirements in that standard. This document does not cover multi-site organizations where multiple management systems are deployed across the organization, when each site shall be considered the same as a single site organization and audited accordingly. This document shall not be used for situations where independent organizations are collected together by another independent organization (e.g. consulting company or an artificial organization) under the umbrella of a single management system.

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