This serves to announce the publication of SADCAS TR 21 - Criteria for the Accreditation of Inspection Bodies Performing Inspection of the Lifting Equipment and Lifting Gear in Zimbabwe [Issue 1] by the Southern African Development Community Accreditation System (SADCAS).

The purpose of this document is to define criteria for the accreditation of Independent Inspection Bodies performing in-service inspections of lifting equipment and lifting gear used, after installation and prior to being put into service.

SADCAS TR 21 is applicable to inspection bodies providing one or more of the following services:

- Pre-commissioning inspection;
- Development of schemes of in-service inspection;
- In-service inspection of equipment to detect actual and potential defects and judgements on the significance of such defects for continued safe use;
- Reporting the result of the in-service inspection, specifying any remedial action and/or recommendations;
- Inspection during or following remedial action; and
- Commenting on the suitability of, and any changes necessary to, inspection methods/schemes of in-service inspection.

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