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1 INTRODUCTION

The EA Multilateral Agreement (EA MLA) main purpose is to provide confidence to the marketplace and all interested parties in reports and certificates issued by conformity assessment bodies¹ accredited by national accreditation bodies, who have signed the EA MLA.

2 EA MULTILATERAL AGREEMENT (EA MLA)

Those EA Members accreditation bodies that are signatories to the EA Multilateral Agreement (EA MLA) have been evaluated by peers and demonstrated their competence. The specific agreement signed by each signatory accreditation body describes its scope of competence. The scopes may include accreditation of laboratories, accreditation of certification or validation and verification bodies and/or accreditation of inspection bodies.

The peer evaluation system for EA members provides confidence that accreditation is operated in a harmonized and consistent way throughout Europe.

The EA peer evaluation system is recognised by the European Commission and by EU/EFTA Member States and it is mandatory for national accreditation bodies to undergo peer evaluation according to Article 10 in Regulation (EC) No 765/2008.

¹ Conformity assessment bodies are: calibration, testing and medical laboratories, and inspection, validation and verification and certification bodies, proficiency testing providers and reference material producers.

3 SCOPES OF THE EA MLA

The EA MLA cover the following scopes:

Accreditation of	Scope/Activity	Standards
Laboratories	Testing and Medical examinations	EN ISO/IEC 17025 EN ISO 15189
	Calibration	EN ISO/IEC 17025
Certification bodies	Certification of products	EN ISO/IEC 17065
	Certification of persons	EN ISO/IEC 17024
	Certification of management systems	EN ISO/IEC 17021-1
Validation and Verification Bodies	Validation and Verification	EN ISO/IEC 17029 EN ISO 14065
Inspection bodies	Inspection	EN ISO/IEC 17020
Proficiency Testing Providers	Provision of Proficiency Testing	EN ISO/IEC 17043
Reference Material Producers	Production of Reference Materials	EN ISO 17034
Biobanking	Biobanking	EN ISO 20387

ANNEX EA MULTILATERAL AGREEMENT SIGNATORIES AND SCOPES²

	CALIBRATION LABORATORIES	TESTING LABORATORIES	MEDICAL LABORATORIES ³	INSPECTION BODIES	CERTIFICATION BODIES - PRODUCTS	CERTIFICATION BODIES - MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS	CERTIFICATION BODIES - PERSONS	VALIDATION AND VERIFICATION BODIES	PROFICIENCY TESTING PROVIDERS	REFERENCE MATERIAL PRODUCERS
ALBANIA - DPA		2 October 2015		26 April 2018		26 April 2018	26 May 2020			
ALGERIA – ALGERAC	5 October 2017	5 October 2017		5 October 2017						
AUSTRIA - AA	23 June 1998	6 March 1997	6 March 1997	4 November 2009	23 June 1998	12 March 2004	23 June 1998	3 October 2013 20 January 2023 ⁴		
BELARUS - BSCA	3 October 2018	3 October 2018	26 May 2020	26 May 2020	3 October 2018	3 October 2018	3 October 2018		26 May 2020	
BELGIUM - BELAC	28 February 1997	28 February 1997	28 February 1997	17 October 2003	24 November 1998	24 November 1998	17 October 2003	10 April 2014	5 October 2017	2 December 2021
BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA – BATA	26 September 2012	26 September 2012	4 February 2022	26 September 2012	4 February 2022					
BULGARIA – BAS	19 May 2011	19 May 2011	19 May 2011	28 April 2010	28 April 2010	18 March 2005	18 March 2005	31 December 2014 23 December 2022 ⁴		
CROATIA – HAA	29 April 2010	29 April 2010	29 April 2010	29 April 2010	29 April 2010	29 April 2010	29 April 2010	3 October 2014		
CYPRUS – CYS-CYSAB	10 April 2014	19 October 2011	19 October 2011	19 October 2011	26 May 2020					
CZECH REPUBLIC - CAI	24 November 1998	24 November 1998	24 November 1998	17 October 2003	24 November 1998	24 November 1998	24 November 1998	3 October 2013	27 April 2017	9 May 2019
DENMARK - DANAK	13 December 1990	13 May 1992	13 May 1992	23 September 2004	26 November 1996	23 June 1998	26 November 1996	3 October 2013	27 April 2017	8 July 2021
EGYPT - EGAC									9 May 2019	
ESTONIA - EAK	12 March 2004	12 March 2004	12 March 2004	12 March 2004	18 March 2005	18 March 2005	18 March 2005	10 April 2014 18 April 2023 ⁴		
FINLAND - FINAS	1 December 1989	17 May 1993	17 May 1993	17 October 2003	21 November 1994	23 June 1998	16 November 1995	3 October 2013	27 April 2017	
FRANCE – COFRAC	1 December 1989	13 May 1992	13 May 1992	17 October 2003	26 November 1996	23 June 1998	26 November 1996	3 October 2013	27 April 2017	8 July 2021
GEORGIA - GAC	27 April 2017	27 April 2017	3 October 2019	27 April 2017	27 April 2017		27 April 2017			
GERMANY - DAkks	1 December 1989	30 November 1995	30 November 1995	18 March 2005	16 November 1995	18 May 1995	18 November 1995	3 October 2014	26 April 2018	3 October 2019
GREECE - ESYD	12 March 2004	12 March 2004	12 March 2004	12 March 2004	18 March 2005	18 March 2005	18 March 2005	3 October 2014	27 April 2017	
HUNGARY – NAH	6 October 2016	6 October 2016	6 October 2016	27 April 2017	6 October 2016	6 October 2016	6 October 2016	6 October 2016	9 May 2019	
ICELAND - ISAC				5 October 2022						
IRELAND - INAB	17 June 1993	17 June 1993	17 June 1993	5 October 2006	15 October 2002	23 June 1998	8 July 2021			9 May 2019
ITALY - ACCREDIA	7 October 2010	17 May 1993	17 May 1993	23 June 1998	18 May 1995	18 May 1995	18 May 1995	3 October 2014 23 February 2023 ⁴	27 April 2017	9 May 2019
ISRAEL - ISRAC	16 October 2001	16 October 2001	16 October 2001	28 September 2007						
LATVIA - LATAK	15 October 2002	15 October 2002	15 October 2002	4 April 2006	15 October 2002	15 October 2002	15 October 2002	10 April 2014		
LITHUANIA - LA	15 October 2001	15 October 2001	5 October 2017	14 October 2005	15 October 2001	14 October 2005	14 October 2005			

² The dates of the initial decision on the MLA signatory status for each level 3 scope have been copied from the MLA signatory sheets, which have been signed between the NAB and EA.

³ From 2003, the medical examinations are covered by EN ISO 15189.

⁴ Signatory to the EA MLA for Validation and Verification on EN ISO/IEC 17029

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LUXEMBURG - OLAS	19 April 2012	14 April 2011	14 April 2011	14 April 2011	14 April 2011	14 April 2011				
MALTA – NAB-MALTA	19 April 2012	2 April 2008		3 October 2014						
NORWAY - NA	15 January 1993	14 December 1993	14 December 1993	17 October 2003	21 November 1994	23 June 1998	21 November 1994	3 October 2014	27 April 2017	
POLAND - PCA	23 September 2004	23 September 2004	23 September 2004	14 October 2005	23 September 2004	23 September 2004	23 September 2004	10 April 2014 8 May 2023 ⁴	27 April 2017	2 December 2021
PORTUGAL - IPAC	26 November 1997	26 November 1997	26 November 1997	4 April 2006	4 April 2006	4 April 2006	4 April 2006	3 October 2014		
REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA – MOLDAC	5 October 2017	5 October 2017	5 October 2017	5 October 2017	5 October 2017	5 October 2017				
REPUBLIC OF NORTH MACEDONIA - IARNM	19 April 2012	19 April 2012	23 April 2015	19 April 2012	19 April 2012	3 October 2018				
ROMANIA - RENAR	28 May 2009	14 October 2005	14 October 2005	3 October 2013	28 May 2009	28 May 2009	3 October 2013	3 October 2013	5 October 2017	
SERBIA - ATS	19 April 2012	19 April 2012	19 April 2012	19 April 2012	19 April 2012	10 April 2014	10 April 2014		15 October 2022	
SLOVAKIA - SNAS	21 March 2001	21 March 2001	21 March 2001	17 October 2003	15 October 2002	15 October 2002	15 October 2002	3 October 2014 15 March 2023 ⁴	9 May 2019	
SLOVENIA - SA	17 October 2003	17 October 2003	9 May 2019	4 April 2006	4 April 2006	4 April 2006	7 October 2010	3 October 2014		
SPAIN - ENAC	19 July 1995	30 November 1992	30 November 1992	17 October 2003	23 November 1999	23 June 1998	23 November 1999	3 October 2013 5 October 2022 ⁴	27 April 2017	9 May 2019
SWEDEN - SWEDAC	1 December 1989	13 May 1992	13 May 1992	17 October 2003	21 November 1994	24 November 1998	21 November 1994	3 October 2013 9 November 2022 ⁴	5 October 2017	
SWITZERLAND - SAS	1 December 1989	14 December 1993	14 December 1993	17 October 2003	21 November 1994	23 June 1998	21 November 1994			
THE NETHERLANDS - RvA	1 December 1989	13 May 1992	13 May 1992	17 October 2003	21 November 1994	24 November 1998	21 November 1994	10 April 2014 21 March 2023 ⁴	27 April 2017	9 May 2019
TUNISIA - TUNAC	3 April 2008	3 April 2008	31 January 2023	3 October 2014	31 January 2023	7 October 2010				
TURKEY - TURKAK	4 April 2006	4 April 2006	4 April 2006	4 April 2006	26 September 2008	26 September 2008	26 September 2008	9 May 2019 5 October 2022 ⁴	27 April 2017	15 May 2019
UKRAINE - NAAU	19 April 2012	19 April 2012	26 May 2020	3 October 2014	2 October 2015	19 April 2012	4 November 2009			
UNITED KINGDOM - UKAS	1 December 1989	13 May 1992	13 May 1992	17 October 2003	21 November 1994	23 June 1998	21 November 1994	3 October 2013	27 April 2017	9 May 2019