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LIST OF MOST COMMON ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS USED IN EA

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AB	Accreditation Body
AfN	Accreditation for Notification (project)
AFRAC	African Accreditation Cooperation
AIMD	Active Implantable Medical Devices (directive)
AoA	Articles of Association
APAC	Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation
APLAC	Asia Pacific Laboratory Accreditation Co-operation
ARAC	Arab Accreditation Co-operation
ATEX	Equipment and protective systems intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres (directive)
BCM	Business Continuity Management Systems
BCS	Breast Cancer Services (project)
CAB	Conformity Assessment Body
CAS	Conformity Assessment Scheme (EA-1/22 Procedure and Criteria for the Evaluation of CAS by EA Accreditation Body Members)
CASCO	ISO Council Committee on Conformity Assessment
CB	Certification Body
CC	(EA) Certification Committee
CD	Committee Draft
CEN	European Committee for Standardization
CENELEC	European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardization
CETA	Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement
CMC	(IAF) Communications and Marketing Committee
COA	Cooperation Agreement (EA-1/13 EA's relationship with accreditation bodies of countries not being members of the EU or EFTA)
COAMR	Cooperation Agreement for Mutual Recognition (EA-1/13 EA's relationship with accreditation bodies of countries not being members of the EU or EFTA)
CN	(EA) Communications Network
CPR	Construction Products Regulation
DG	(EC) Directorate General
DG AGRI	(EC) Directorate General Agriculture and Rural Development
DG CLIMA	(EC) Directorate General Climate Action
DG GROW	(EC) Directorate General Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs
DG MOVE	(EC) Directorate General Mobility and Transport
DG SANTE	(EC) Directorate General Health and Food Safety
DG TRADE	Directorate General for Trade
DIS	Draft International Standard
DTL	Deputy Team Leader
EA	European Co-operation for Accreditation
EAAB	EA Advisory Board
EANP	EA Neighbourhood Policy
EC	European Commission
ECIBC	European Commission Initiative on Breast Cancer
EFTA	European Free Trade Association
EGNOS	European Geostationary Navigation Overlay Service
eIDAS	Standards on electronic identification and trust services for electronic transactions
EMAS	Eco Management and Audit Scheme
EMC	Electromagnetic Compatibility (directive)
EMS	Environmental Management Systems

EN	European Standard
EnMS	Energy Management Systems
ERA	European Union Agency for Railways
ETS	Emission Trading System
ETSI	European Telecommunications Standards Institute
ETV	Environmental Technology Verification
EU	European Union
EXB	(EA) Executive Board
FALB	Forum of Accreditation and Licencing Bodies
FDA	(US) Food and Drug Administration
FDIS	Final Draft International Standard
FOC	(EA) Financial Oversight Committee
FPA	Framework Partnership Agreement
FSMS	Food Safety Management Systems
GA	General Assembly
GAD	Gas Appliances Directive
GD	Guidance Document
GEP	Good Experimental Practice
GHG	Greenhouse Gases
GLOBAL ACI	Global Accreditation Cooperation Incorporated
GLP	Good Laboratory Practice
GPSD	Directive on General Product Safety
HACCP	Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points
HHC	(EA) Horizontal Harmonization Committee
hAB	home Accreditation Body (EA-1/22 Procedure and Criteria for the Evaluation of CAS by EA Accreditation Body Members)
HS	Harmonised Standard
IAAC	InterAmerican Accreditation Co-operation
IB	Inspection Body
IC	Inspection Committee
ID	Informative Document
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission
IMP	Internal Market for Products and Expert Group on the Internal Market for Products
IOD	Interoperability Directive
ISMS	Information Security Management Systems
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
IVD	In Vitro Diagnostic Medical Devices
LC	(EA) Laboratory Committee
LVD	Low Voltage Directive
MAC	(EA) Multilateral Agreement Council
MD	Machinery Directive
MDD	Medical Devices Directive
MID	Measuring Instruments Directive
MLA	Multilateral Agreement
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MRA	Mutual Recognition Arrangement (ILAC MRA)
MS	(EU, EFTA) Member State
NA	(EU) Notifying Authority
NAB	National Accreditation Body

NAWI	Non Automatic Weighing Instruments
NB	Notified Body
NDT	Non Destructive Testing
NLF	(EU) New Legislative Framework
NQI	National Quality Infrastructure
NWI	(EA) New Work Item (EA-1/14 Procedure for development and approval of EA documents)
NWIP	New Work Item Proposal (EA-1/14 Procedure for development and approval of EA documents)
OG	Operating Grant (EA-1/20 S1 Terms and conditions for financial compensation from the operating grant to an EA Member Accreditation Body)
OHSMS	Occupational health and Safety Management Systems
OJ	Official Journal
PE	Peer Evaluation
PED	Pressure Vessels Directive
POCT	Point of Care Testing
PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
PSA	Public Sector Assurance
PTP	Proficiency Testing Providers
QI	Quality Infrastructure
QMS	Quality Management Systems
RfP	Request for payment (EA-1/20 S1 Terms and conditions for financial compensation from the operating grant to an EA Member Accreditation Body)
RM	Reference Material
RMP	Reference Materials Producers
RoP	Rules of Procedure
RTTE	Radio and Telecommunications Terminal Equipment
SADCA	Southern African Development Community in Accreditation
SO	Scheme Owner
SOGS	Senior Officials Group on Standardisation and Conformity Assessment (now IMP)
SOME	Social Media
SPED	Simple Pressure Vessels Directive
ToR	Terms of Reference
TC	Technical Committee
TFG	Task Force Group
TL	Team Leader
TM	Team Member
TMB	Technical Management Board
TN	(EA) Technical Network
TPED	Transportable Pressure Vessels Directive
TS	Technical Specification
TTIP	Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership
UHL	(EU) Union Harmonisation Legislation
765/2008	Regulation (EC) No. 765/2008 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 9 July 2008 setting out the requirements for accreditation and market surveillance relating to the marketing of products and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 339/9
768/2008	Decision No 768/2008/EC — a common framework for the marketing of products in the EU