

GCC Accreditation and Recognition Procedures for Foreign HSBs

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Agenda

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- Requirements for certification bodies
- International Halal Accreditation Forum (IHAF)

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عَدُوٌّ مُّبِينٌ) ﴿البقرة: 168﴾

O mankind, eat from whatever is on earth [that is] lawful and good and do not follow the footsteps of Satan. Indeed, he is to you a clear enemy. 2: 168

(يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا كُلُوا مِن طَيِّبَاتِ مَا رَزَقْنَاكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوا لِلَّهِ إِن كُنتُمْ إِيَّاهُ
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﴿البقرة: 172-173﴾

O you who have believed, eat from the good things which We have provided for you and be grateful to Allah if it is [indeed] Him that you worship.

He has only forbidden to you dead animals, blood, the flesh of swine, and that which has been dedicated to other than Allah . But whoever is forced [by necessity], neither desiring [it] nor transgressing [its limit], there is no sin upon him. Indeed, Allah is Forgiving and Merciful.

Meaning of Halal

- Derived from the core principle and teaching of Islam , Halal is an Arabic word that means “permissible “, with is opposite being haram ,”not permissible “.
- Halal .. A global word
- Halal .. A way of life covering all aspects :
Financial, social ,behavioral, food, drink, clothing..etc



Definition

Islamic rules

Its means ALLAH (almighty) legislates for Muslims as per the Holy Qur'an ,and the practices (Sunnah) of honorable Prophet Mohammad (Peace be upon him)

Halal Standards

The specific requirements for Halal Products and service

Halal Certificate

The document endorses that products or systems identified match the provisions of Islamic rules regarding the Halal aspects and include :Halal slaughtering certificates, Halal certificates for facilities , slaughterhouses and facilities classified as “Halal” certificates of food components, food ingredients containing meat and essences , rennet, gelatin, fat and animal oils.

Definition

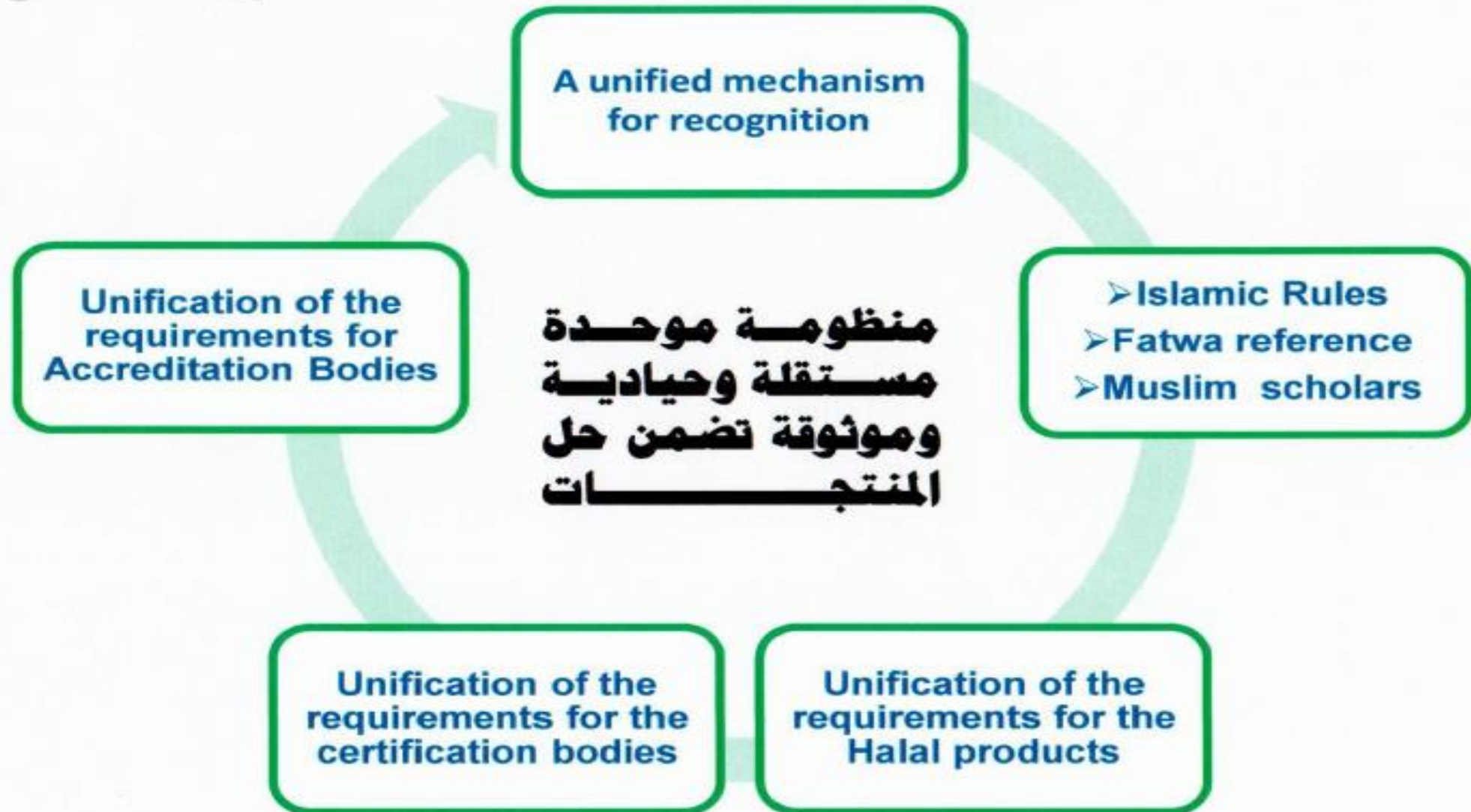
Halal Islamic affairs expert

A Muslim with profound and comprehensive knowledge of Islamic rules in subject of Halal and approved and authorized by the relevant origination)the Halal competent authority)and appointed by Halal certification body .

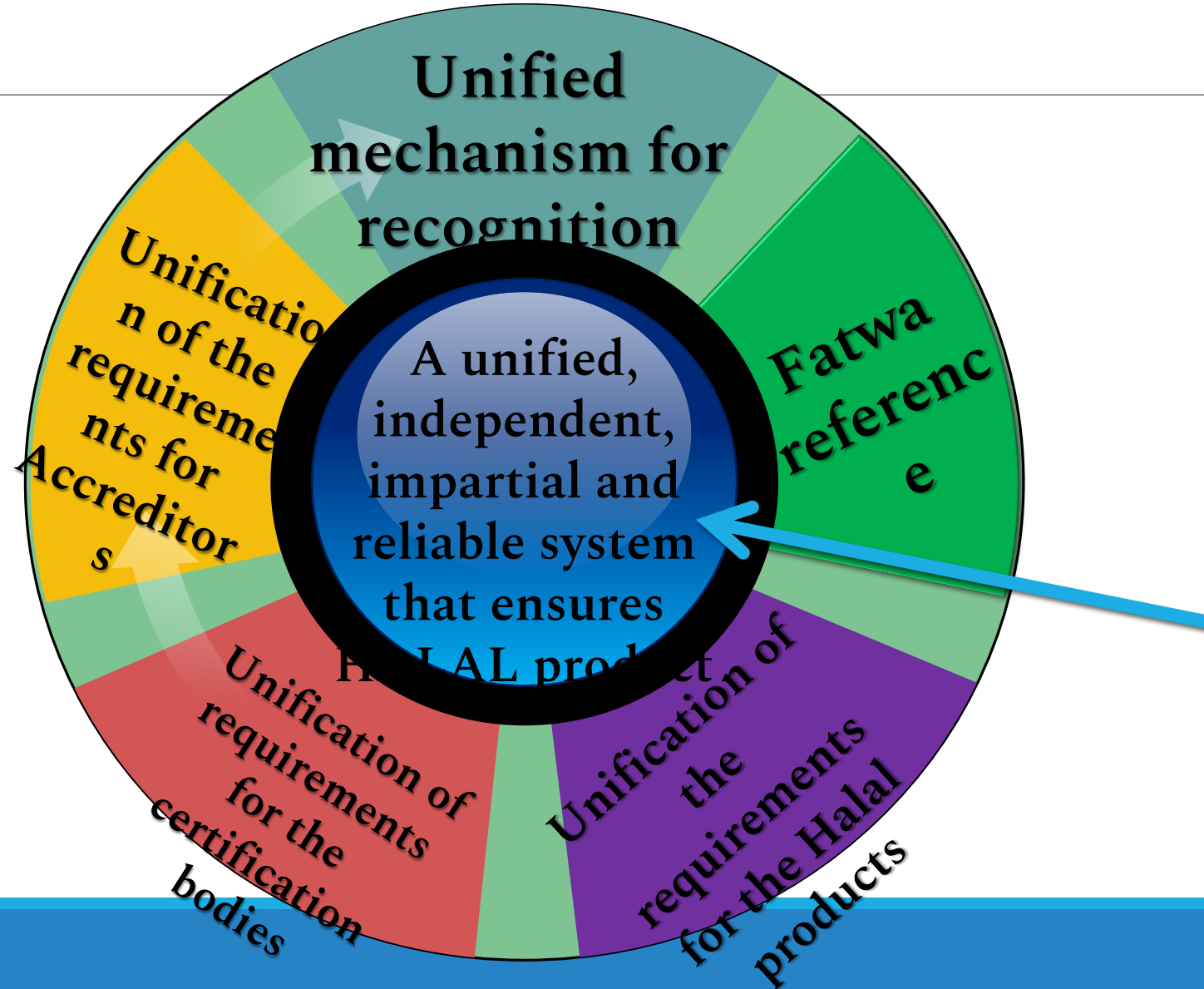
Halal Certification Body

An independent legal entity, or part of legal entity , that applies the requirements of this document and have an Islamic awareness activity where its human resources conducting the auditing and decision making activities are Muslims and committed to ethically Islamic rules .

A unified system for GCC countries



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Scope

Products



Services



Storage



Transportation



Retailing

Certifiers & Accreditors



Halal Pyramids



Global Recog. amongst entities of Halal Standards & TR's, accreditation bodies,etc

Mutual recognition

Evaluation of CBs competence



Accreditation Bodies
Requirements for operation ISO/IEC 17011

GSO 2055-3:2015

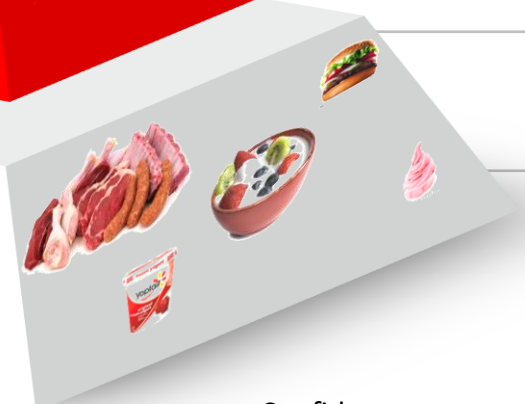
Auditing the conformity of the Halal products



Conformity Assessment Bodies
ISO/IEC 17020, 17021, 17025, 17043, 17065
ISO 15189

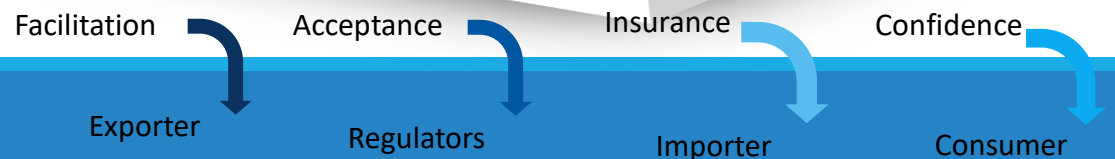
GSO 2055-2:2015

Implementing specific requirements for Halal products



Producers, Manufacturers & service provider

GSO 2055-1:2015 & GSO 993:2015



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Contributions to Halal@ global & regional levels



GSO and GAC Contributions to Halal

To operate in the following sectors :

A. Halal products :

- Food products ,components and additives
- Animal feed stocks

B. Places and facilities like :

- Premises concerned with Halal
- Slaughter house and farms
- Services sectors ,storage and transport activities
- Halal certification bodies
- Importers of food , personnel working in the Halal food sectors, all Halal certification personnel , personnel of authorities entrusted with inspection and supervision on Halal food

GSO Standards & Technical Regulations for Halal

Proposing and prepare the appropriate mechanisms to ensure the unified implementation on the GCC level of the topics relating to Halal

Preparing , reviewing , updating of GSO Halal standards at all supply chain

Suggesting the Halal certification and Halal accreditation bodies to ensure their compliance with the Islamic Law

GSO Project Plan HALAL Standers (Schedule 2018)

Q.	No. of Standard	Title	Arabic title
1	For approval	Sacrifice (Audhia) requirements in accordance with the provisions of Islamic Sharia (contractual requirements)	متطلبات الاضاحي طبقا لأحكام الشريعة الإسلامية (الإشتراطات التعاقدية)
2	For approval	determination of ethanol in nutritional products by ststic headspace-gas chromatography -mass spectrometry	تقدير الغيثانول في المنتجات الغذائية باستخدام جهاز كروموتوغرافما الغاز المتصل بمطياف الكتلة
3	For approval	Distiller Dried Grain with soluble Used as animal feed	متبقيات التقطير الكحولي للحبوب
4	For approval	Detection of porcine DNA- Test method- Food and Food products	الكشف عن الحمض النووي DNA للخنزير في الأغذية
5	For approval	Halal Products- Part 4: Requirements for Cosmetics and Personal care	المنتجات الحلال - الجزء الرابع: متطلبات مستحضرات التجميل والعناية الشخصية
6	New Project	Halal food - Terms and Definitions	الأغذية الحلال – المصطلحات والتعاريف
7	New Project	Halal Products: General Requirements for Halal Feed	المنتجات الحلال: الإشرطاطات العامة للأعلاف ومنتجاته الحلال
8	New Project	Halal products- Usage of animal bone, skin and hair- general guidelines	منتجات حلال -استخدام عظام وجلود وشعر الحيوانات -الإرشادات العامة
9	New Project	Halal Packaging- General guidelines	الخطوط التوجيهية العامة - التعبئة والتغليف الحلال (MS 2565:2014)
10	New Project	HALAL FOOD - Production, preparation , handling and storage - General Guidelines	الأغذية الحلال - الانتاج ، الإعداد ، النقل والتخزين - خطوط توجيهية عامة (MS 1500:2009)

GSO Standards for Halal

Q.	No. of Standard	Issuing Status	Title	Arabic title
1	GSO993:2015	Technical Regulation	Animal slaughtering requirements according to Islamic law.	اشتراطات تذكية الحيوان طبقاً للأحكام الإسلامية
2	GSO 2055-1:2015	TR	Halal Food – part 1 – General Requirement	الأغذية الحلال – الجزء الأول : الاشتراطات العامة للأغذية الحلال
3	GSO 2055-2:2015	Standers	Halal Products – part 2 – Requirements for Halal certification bodies	المنتجات الحلال - الجزء الثاني : الاشتراطات العامة لجهات اصدار شهادات الحلال
4	GSO2055-3:2015	Standers	Halal Products – Part 3 – Requirements for Halal accreditation body accrediting Halal certification	المنتجات الحلال - الجزء الثالث : اشتراطات جهات اعتماد جهات اصدار شهادات الحلال
5	GSO 2468/2015	Standers	Halal foods - Management system requirements for transportation of goods and/or cargo chain services	الأغذية الحلال: متطلبات نظام الإدارة لنقل البضائع و/أو خدمات سلسلة البضائع
6	GSO 2469/2015	Standers	Halal food - Management system requirements for warehousing and related activities	الأغذية الحلال : متطلبات نظام الإدارة للتخزين والأنشطة ذات العلاقة
7	GSO 2470/2015	Standers	Halal food - Management system requirements for retailing	الأغذية الحلال: متطلبات نظام الإدارة لتجارة التجزئة
8	GSO 2359:2014	TR	Extraction solvents and it's residue limits in the production foodstuffs and food ingredients	مذيبات الاستخلاص والحدود القصوى المسموح بها المستخدمة في إنتاج المواد الغذائية ومكوناتها
9	GSO 2538:2017	Standers	The maximum limits for residues of ethyl alcohol (ethanol) in food	الحدود القصوى لمتبقيات الكحول الإيثيلي (الإيثانول) في الأغذية
10	GSO 2276:2013	Standers	Detection of lard in food	الكشف عن دهن الخنزير في الأغذية
11	GSO 9:2013	TR	Labeling of prepackaged food stuffs	بطاقات المواد الغذائية المعبأة
12	GSO 1943/2016	TR	Cosmetic Products – Safety Requirements of Cosmetics and Personal Care Products	متطلبات السلامة في مستحضرات التجميل والعناية الشخصية
13	GSO 2528/2016	TR	Cosmetic products – Technical Regulation of cosmetic and personal care products claims GSO Technical Regulation	مستحضرات التجميل – لائحة ادعاءات مستحضرات التجميل والعناية الشخصية
14	GSO 713:1997	TR	Hygienic Regulations for Poultry Processing Abattoirs and their Personnel	الشروط الصحية في مسالخ الدواجن والعاملين بها
15	GSO 21:1984	TR	Hygienic Regulations for Food Plants and their Personnel	الشروط الصحية في مصانع الأغذية والعاملين بها
16	GSO 815:1997	TR	Code of Hygienic Practice for Preparation, Transportation, Handling and Storing of Fresh Meat	دليل الممارسة الصحية لتجهيز ونقل وتداول وتخزين اللحوم الطازجة

GSO Project Plan HALAL Standers for 2019

Annual Plan for GSO Technical Committee for Halal Products and Services (TC 15)

Q.	No. of Standard	Title	Arabic title
1	Translation to Eng.	Halal feeds Requirment	متطلبات الحلال في الاعلاف (ترجمة)
2	Prep. new project	Collagen and Gelatin in animal feeding	الكولاجين والجيلاتين المستخدم في أعلاف الحيوانات
3	Prep. new project	Halal Packaging-General Guideline	دليل التعبئة الإسلامية للمنتجات MS 2565:2014
4	Prep. new Project	Muslim friendly hospitality services - Requirements	الضيافة الإسلامية – متطلبات MS 2610:2015
5	Prep. new Project	Leather - Halal requirements for tanning leather	الجلود - متطلبات الحلال لدباغة الجلود ISO 5431 ,ISO 5432, ISO 5433
6	Prep. new Project	determination of ethanol in nutritional products by ststic headspace-gas chromatography -mass spectrometry	تقدير الإيثانول في المنتجات الغذائية باستخدام جهاز كروماتوغرافيا الغاز المتصل بمطياف الكتلة

GSO Project Plan HALAL Standers for 2020

Q.	No. of Standard	Title	Arabic title
1	Update	Sacrifice (Audhia) requirements in accordance with the provisions of Islamic Sharia (contractual requirements)	متطلبات الاضاحي طبقاً لأحكام الشريعة الاسلامية (الاشتراطات التعاقدية)
2	Update	The maximum limits for residues of ethyl alcohol (ethanol) in food	الحدود القصوى لمتبقيات الكحول الإيثيلي (الإيثانول) في الأغذية

<https://www.gso.org.sa/store/gso/standards?lang=en&show=active>

GSO-Standards & Technical Regulations (TR's) for Halal

Q.	No. of Standard	Standards Title
1	GSO 993:2015	Animal Slaughtering Requirements According to Islamic Rules (Technical Regulation)
2	GSO 2055-1:2015	HALAL FOOD - Part 1 : General Requirements (TR.)
3	GSO 2055-2:2015	Halal products -- Part 2 : General Requirements for Halal Certification Bodies (Standard)
4	GSO2055-3:2015	Halal Products - part 3 - Requirements for Halal Accreditation Bodies Accrediting Halal Certification Bodies (Standard)
5	GSO 2468/2015	Halal foods - Management system requirements for transportation of goods and/or cargo chain services (Standard)
6	GSO 2469/2015	Halal foods - Management system requirements for warehousing and related activities (Standard)
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10	GSO 9:2013	Labeling of prepackaged food stuffs (TR.)
11	GSO 2276:2013	Detection of lard in food (Standard)
12	GSO 1943:2016	Safety Requirements of Cosmetics and Personal Care Products (TR.)
13	GSO 2528/2016	Cosmetic products – Technical Regulation of cosmetic and personal care products claims (TR.)

GSO Standards and Technical Regulations for Halal Project Status (Schedule 2019)

Q.	No. of Standard	Title
1	GSO 2055-1:2015 Update & Convert TR	Halal Food – part 1 – General Requirement Halal Food – part 1 – General Requirement
2	GSO 2055-2:2015 Update	Halal products -- Part 2 : General Requirements for Halal Certification Bodies
3	GSO2055-3:2015 Update	Halal Products – part 3 – Requirements for Halal Accreditation Bodies Accrediting Halal Certification Bodies
4	New Project (Carry-Over to 2018)	Halal food - Terms and Definitions DRAFT FDS
5	New Project (Carry-Over to 2018)	Sacrifice (Audhia) requirements in accordance with the provisions of Islamic Sharia (contractual requirements)
6	New Project (Carry-Over to 2018)	Determination of ethanol in nutritional products by ststic headspacegas chromatography -mass spectrometry
7	New Project (Carry-Over to 2018)	Halal Products- Part 4: Requirements for Cosmetics and Personal care

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International Recognition (June 2016)



GOALS

Providing the accreditation services regarding the requirements and needs of conformity assessment bodies and all bodies related to accreditation in the member Countries

GAC IS A SINGLE ACCREDITATION BODY

Building Confidence in the results of services provided by all bodies accredited by GAC

GAC ACCREDITATION IS A MULTI-ECONOMY BODY

Safeguarding the interests of the accreditation services beneficiaries

PROVIDES ACCREDITATION SERVICES TO ALL CAB BODIES WITHIN GCC

Achievement of mutual recognition with the International and Regional bodies and Organizations working in the accreditation field



GAC Requirements for certification bodies

Requirements for the :

- Competence
- Consistent operation
- Impartiality of the CB

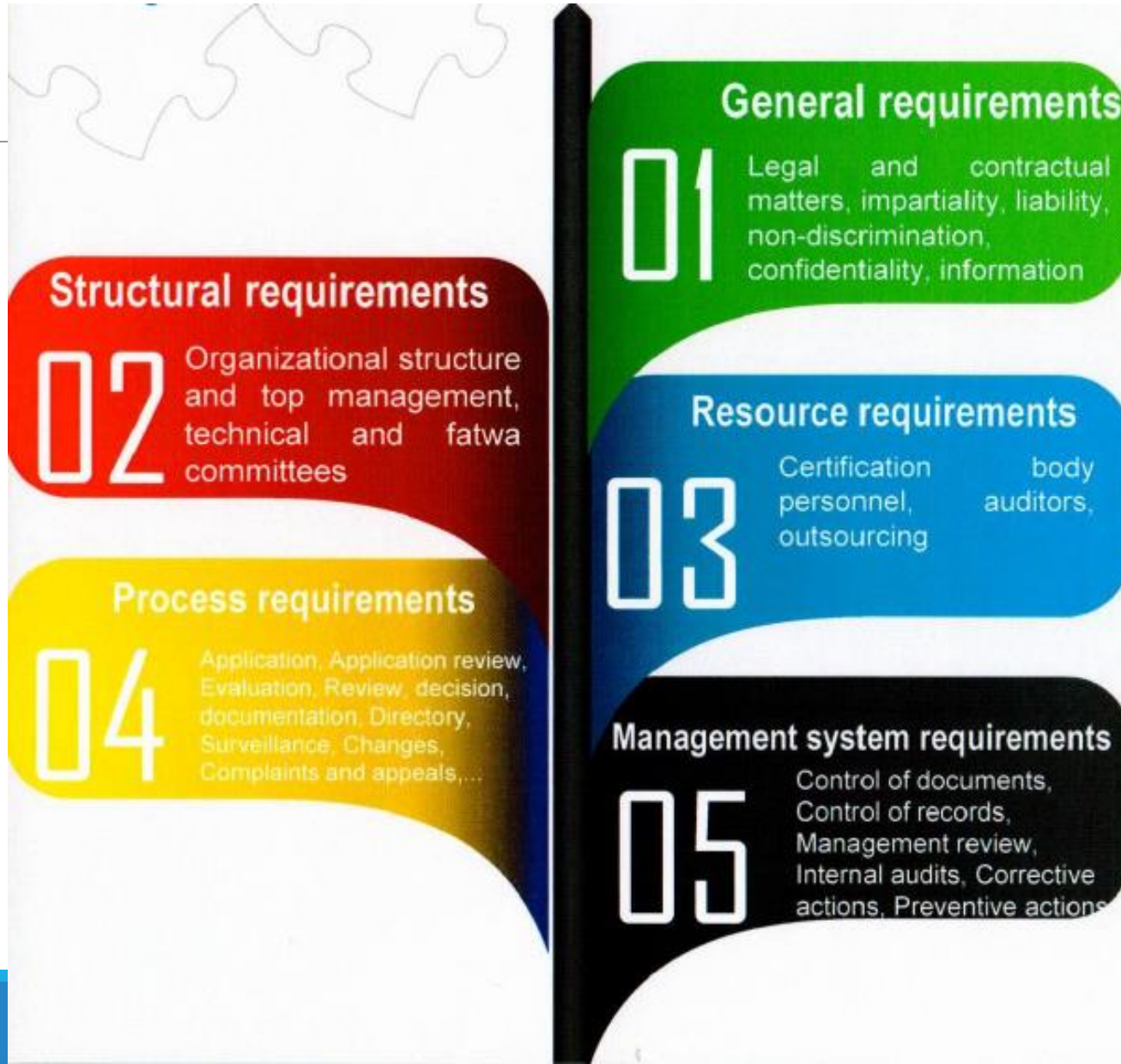
It covers certification of :

- Products
- Process
- Services cortication bodies

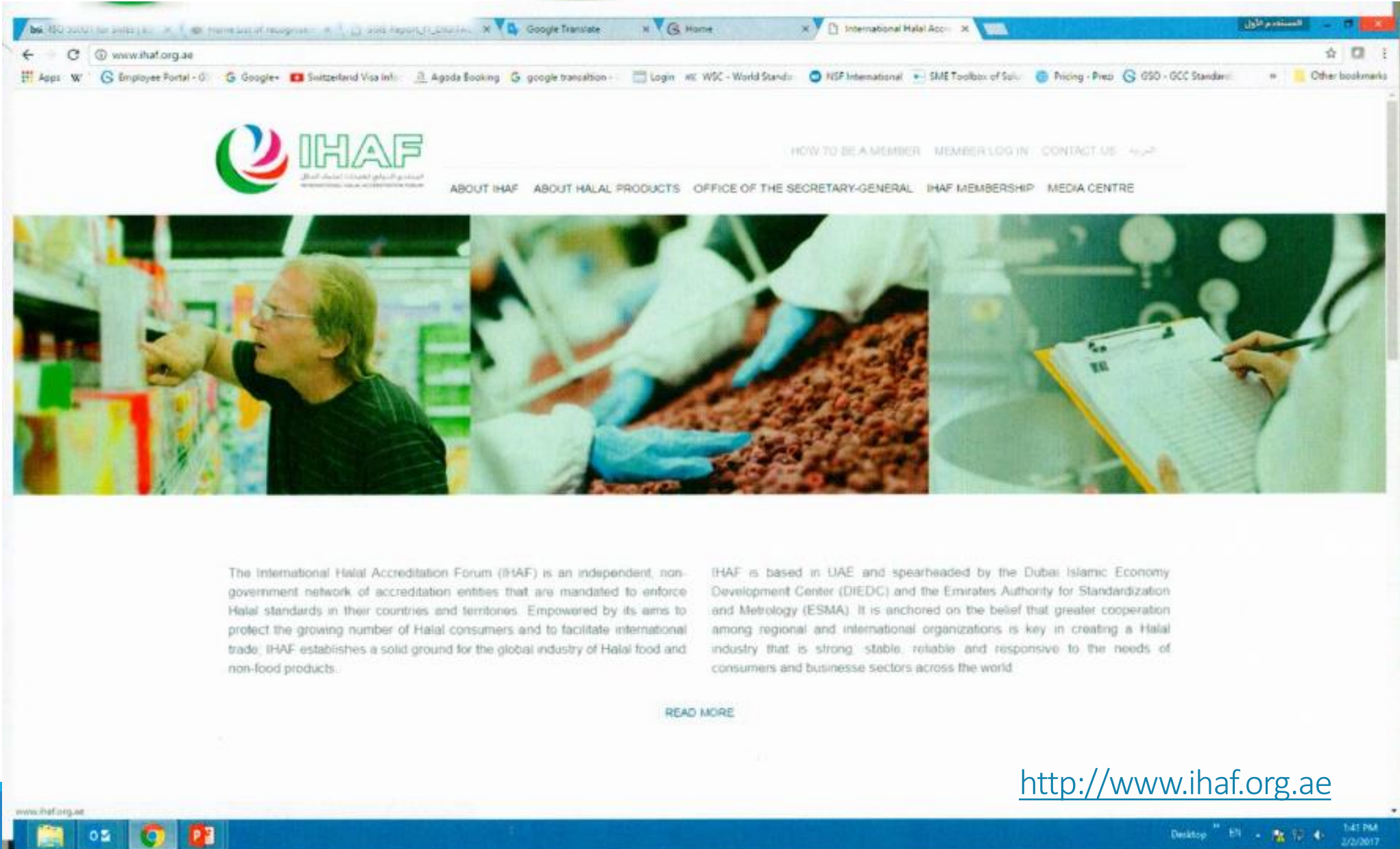


Certification of products, Processes and services is a third-party conformity assessment activity .

GAC Requirements for certification bodies



- **Competence**
- **Consistent operation**
- **Impartiality**



The screenshot shows the IHAF website homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the IHAF logo and the text "المنتدى الدولي لهيئات اعتماد الحلال" and "INTERNATIONAL HALAL ACCREDITATION FORUM". Below the logo, there are links for "HOW TO BE A MEMBER", "MEMBER LOG IN", and "CONTACT US". A secondary navigation bar includes "ABOUT IHAF", "ABOUT HALAL PRODUCTS", "OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL", "IHAF MEMBERSHIP", and "MEDIA CENTRE". The main content area features a large image collage with three panels: a man pointing at a display, hands in gloves handling red granules, and a person writing on a clipboard. Below the image, there are two columns of text describing IHAF's mission and its base in the UAE. A "READ MORE" button is centered below the text. The footer contains the website URL "www.ihaf.org.ae" and a Windows taskbar at the bottom right showing the time as 1:41 PM on 2/2/2017.

<http://www.ihaf.org.ae>

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International Halal Accreditation Forum (IHAF)



- The world's first Halal international accreditation network .
- Proposed by UAE.
- An independent, non-government network of accreditation entities all mandated to enforce Halal standards in their countries regions.
- IHAF is based in UAE and spearheaded by the Dubai Islamic Economy Development Center (DIEDC) and the Emirates Authority for Standardization and Metrology (ESMA).
- The primary objective of establishing the IHAF is to harmonize conformity assessment practices in the Halal sector , and establish Multilateral Recognition Agreements between member bodies that will facilitate Halal trade globally.



Signing ceremony of establishment agreement of IHAF (Dubai , 04/05/2016).

The International Halal Accreditation Forum (IHAF) recently convened for its first General Assembly meeting (Dubai ,06/11/2016).

The current roster of IHAF is made up of its Founding Members that include :



1. **American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA-USA)**
2. **Dubai Municipality and Dubai Accreditation Center (DAC-UAE)**
3. **Egyptian Accreditation Council (EGAC) (Egypt)**
4. **Entidad Nacional de Accreditation (ENAS-Spain)**
5. **GCC Accreditation Center (GAC)**
6. **Joint Accreditation System of Australia and New Zealand (JAS-ANZ-Australia, New Zealand)**
7. **Pakistan National Accreditation Council (PANK)**
8. **Saudi Accreditation Committee (SAC)**

9- United Kingdom Accreditation Service (UKAS-UK)

10- National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB).

11- American National Standards Institute (ANSI)

12- Italian National Accreditation Body (ACCREDIA)

13- Entidad Mexicana de Acreditación, a.c. (ema)

14- National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives – THAILAND

15- National Accreditation Authority – NAH

16- Argentine Halal Accreditation Agency

17- Jordanian Accreditation System (JAS)

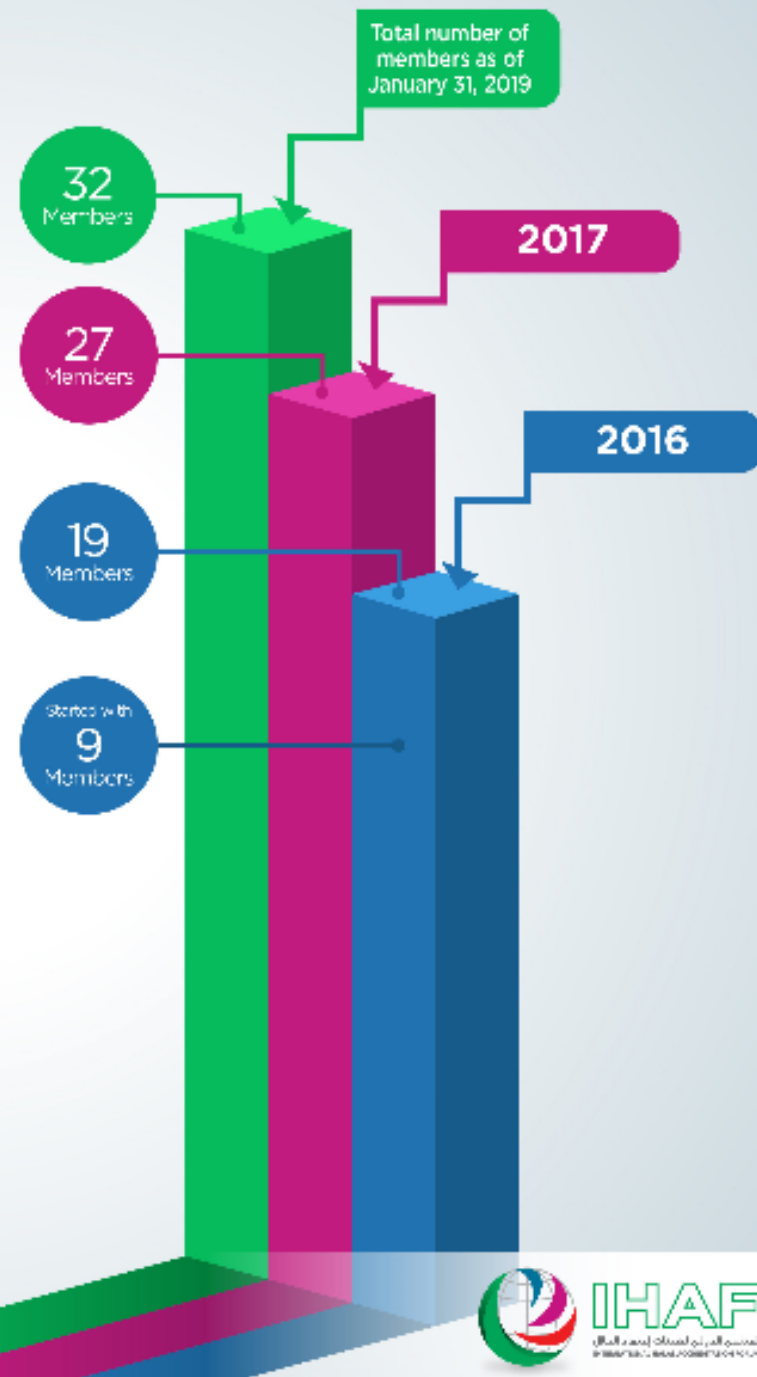
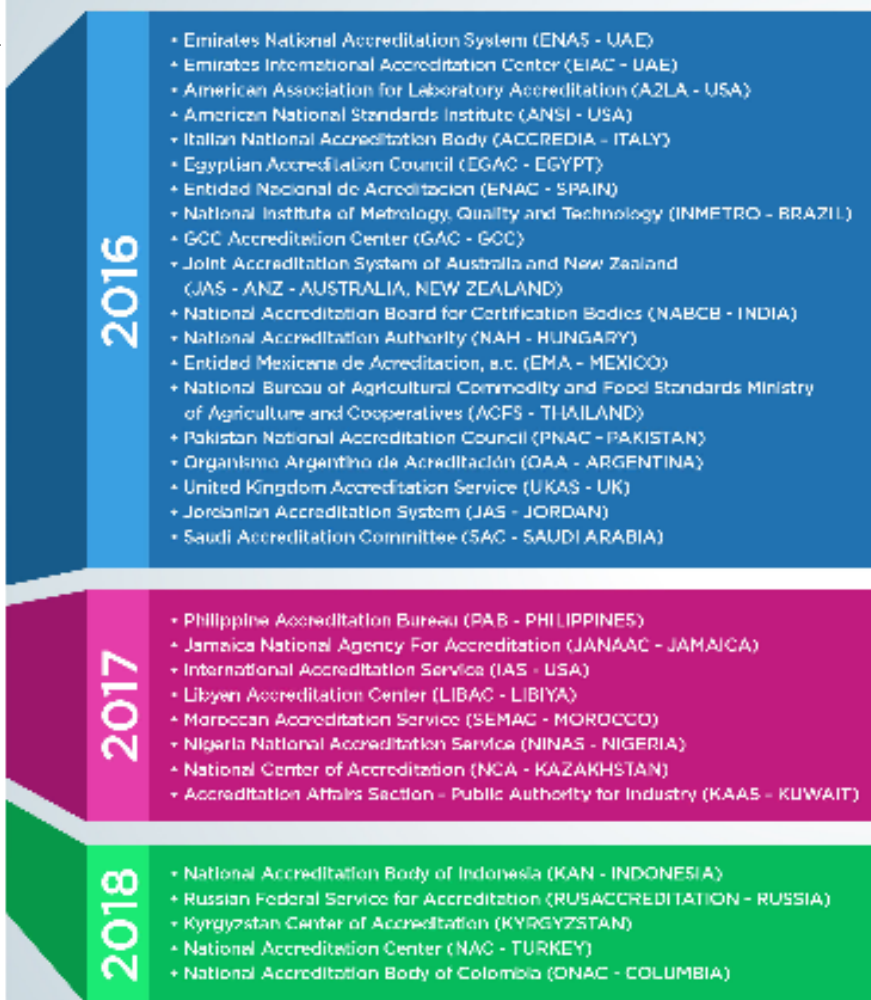
18- Emirates National Accreditation System (ENAS)

19- Federação das Associações Muçulmanas do Brasil Certificacao-Halal (FAMBRAS)

20- Philippine Accreditation Bureau (PAB)

IHAF MEMBERS IN 1000 days

(2016 to date)





American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA-USA)



American National Standards Institute (ANSI-USA)



Italian National Accreditation Body (ACCREDIA - ITALY)



Emirates International Accreditation Center (EIAC-UAE)



Emirates National Accreditation System (ENAS - UAE)



Egyptian Accreditation Council (EGAC) (Egypt)



Entidad Nacional de Acreditacion (ENAS-Spain)



Development of Accreditation Programs (DIDAC) in National Metrology, Quality and Technology (INMETRO-BRAZIL)



Kyrgyz Center of Accreditation





Entidad Mexicana de Acreditacion, a.c.
(EMA – Mexico)



National Bureau of Agricultural
Commodity and Food Standards
Ministry of Agriculture and
Cooperatives – THAILAND



Philippine Accreditation Bureau (PAB –
Philippines)



Pakistan National Accreditation
Council (PNAC-Pakistan)



Argentine Halal Accreditation Agency –
(AHAA – ARGENTINA)



United Kingdom Accreditation Service
(UKAS-UK)



Jordanian Accreditation System (JAS –
JORDAN)



Jamaica National Agency For
Accreditation



International Accreditation Service



Saudi Accreditation Committee (SAC-
SAUDI ARABIA)



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National Center of Accreditation
(Kazakhstan)



Accreditation Affairs Section- Public
Authority for Industry (KAAS-KUWAIT)



ISO/IEC 17025:2005

ONAC

Conclusion

02 Standardization bodies to harmonize as possible Halal Standards

04 Participation of Accreditation bodies in the Halal conferences

01 Cooperation and Joint accreditations between ABs

03 Sharing of assessors/experts between certifiers

Thank you

