

USING YOUR SANAS ASSESSOR STATUS IN ADVERTISING / PROMOTING YOUR BUSINESS

In terms of the contractual agreement between SANAS and its assessors / trainees / technical experts, Assessors are reminded that they may not make reference to their work done as a SANAS Assessor / Expert whilst marketing their services such as training, courses, consultancy or any other business or service, as this falsely implies that the service being marketed is endorsed or accredited by SANAS. Assessors must also refrain from making any statements or giving the impression that accreditation would be easier to obtain should their services be used, or that accreditation is in any way linked to their service provided.

The same applies to companies who advertise the course facilitator as a SANAS Assessor, as this would also imply that the service is endorsed by SANAS.

If you are not sure as to whether a reference to SANAS is acceptable or not, please contact the Quality Manager or relevant Field Manager.

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ILAC / IAF PEER EVALUATION

We have just been through the AFRAC Peer Evaluation of SANAS (Dec '14), and we find ourselves preparing again for the ILAC / IAF Peer Evaluation scheduled for August / September this year! Our Peer Evaluations have always commented on the professionalism of our assessors during the witnessed assessments and the high standard of assessment in terms of the scope and depth. As part of the evaluation, the Peer Evaluators scrutinise assessor CV's and check qualifications against the scopes of expertise that the assessors are used for. In this regard, assessors are requested to ensure that SANAS has a copy of your current CV, and latest qualifications so that, where required, amendments to your scope of expertise that SANAS uses you for can be made.

The Peer Evaluators also verify that SANAS conducts on-site monitorings of every assessor at least once in every 3 years in order to evaluate whether assessors' performance, attributes and continued competence in assessment techniques are maintained. Should your monitoring be due this year, you would already have been scheduled into an assessment in order for a monitoring to be conducted. SANAS requests that you ensure your availability for the assessment, as far as possible, for a monitoring assessment.

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REVISED SANAS DOCUMENTS

PM 01-05

SANAS Policy Manual - All programmes, **revised on 2015-03-26** (Refer to the document amendment record)

F 179-12

Assessor Claim Form - All programme assessors, **revised on 2015-04-01** (amounts revised for the 2015/16 financial year)

P 14-26

SANAS Fees - All programmes, **revised on 2015-04-01** (amounts revised for the 2015/16 financial year)

F 190-02

Generic Checklist for Accreditation of Occupational Hygiene Inspection Bodies to ISO/IEC 17020: 2012 incorporating SANAS TR 84: Technical Requirements for the Application of ISO/IEC 17020 - Inspection Bodies, **revised on 2015-03-25** (Aligned with ILAC P15)

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THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE MATERIAL AND STAKEHOLDER INTERACTION INVITATIONS ARE ON BEHALF OF NMISA

Reference material - Needs analysis workshop



Are you testing food or feed?

- Contaminants such as pesticides, heavy metals, mycotoxins, antibiotic residues
- Nutrient content for food labelling
- Food packaging and contaminant migration
- Microbiological testing

Do you need reference materials and PT schemes to confirm your test results?

Join us on the 9th of June 2015 to identify your reference material needs and provide your lab with the measurement support you deserve!

This event is proudly brought to you by the National Metrology Institute of South Africa.

Supporting measurements in South Africa through calibration services and provision of measurement standards.

Participation is free.
Space is limited - so book early!

Who should attend?

Food and/or feed testing laboratories:

- Laboratory managers
- Quality control managers
- Research scientists
- Industry regulators

Venue: The Innovation Hub, Pretoria (map attached)
Date: 9 June 2015
Time: 9 am to 4 pm
R.S.V.P.: 18th May 2015

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Reference material symposium



In conjunction with the annual meeting of the ISO committee on reference materials (ISO/REMCO), the NMISA, SABS and NLA is hosting a symposium on reference materials with expert presenters from the USA, Canada, Brazil and Europe. The presentations will provide the latest information on the ISO requirements for the production of reference materials. The audience will also be provided with information on the appropriate handling of reference materials, as well as their use in the quality control and validation of measurement methods.



Event details:

Venue: The Innovation Hub, Pretoria (map attached)
Date: 8 June 2015
Time: Registration - 08:00;
Opening and Welcome - 09:00
R.S.V.P.: 18th May 2015

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