

China's Conformity Assessment Procedures

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Law on Product Quality



Purpose

- 1) Supervise, manage and improve product quality
- 2) Define corresponding responsibilities
- 3) Protect legitimate rights and interests of consumers.

Requirements

The product quality certification system shall be implemented in accordance with the up-to-date international product standards and technical requirements.

Law on Import and Export Commodity Inspection



Purpose

- 1) Strengthen import and export commodity inspection
- 2) Regulate inspection behaviors
- 3) Safeguard social public interests and legitimate rights and interests of the parties involved in import and export trade
- 4) Promote the foreign economic and trade relations.

Requirements

- 1) Import and export commodities falling into the catalogue shall be inspected by the commodity inspection authority.
- 2) The compulsory commodity inspection refers to the conformity assessment which determines whether the import and export commodities listed in the catalogue meet the national compulsory technical standards or not.

Law on Standardization

Purpose

- 1) Achieve economic development, technical progress and higher product quality
- 2) Enhance social and economic benefits and safeguard the national and people's interests

Requirements

- 1) Encourage adoption of international standard.
- 2) Compulsory standard:
 - safeguarding human health, personal and property safety, and those required by administrative laws and regulations as mandatory
 - must be enforced. Product which fails to conform to compulsory standards can not be produced, sold or imported
- 3) Recommended standard

Regulation on Certification and Accreditation



Purpose

- 1) Regulate certification and accreditation activities
- 2) Improve quality of product and service, and management level
- 3) Promote economic and social development.

Requirements

- 1) implement a unified certification and accreditation supervision and administration system.
- 2) Encourage international mutual recognition of certification and accreditation under the principle of equality and mutual benefit.

Other related regulations

- Regulation on Management of Compulsory Product Certification Mark
- Interim Measures for Management of Low-Carbon Product Certification
- Regulation on Railway Product Certification
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For further information, please refer to the website of CNCA
(<http://www.cnca.gov.cn/>)

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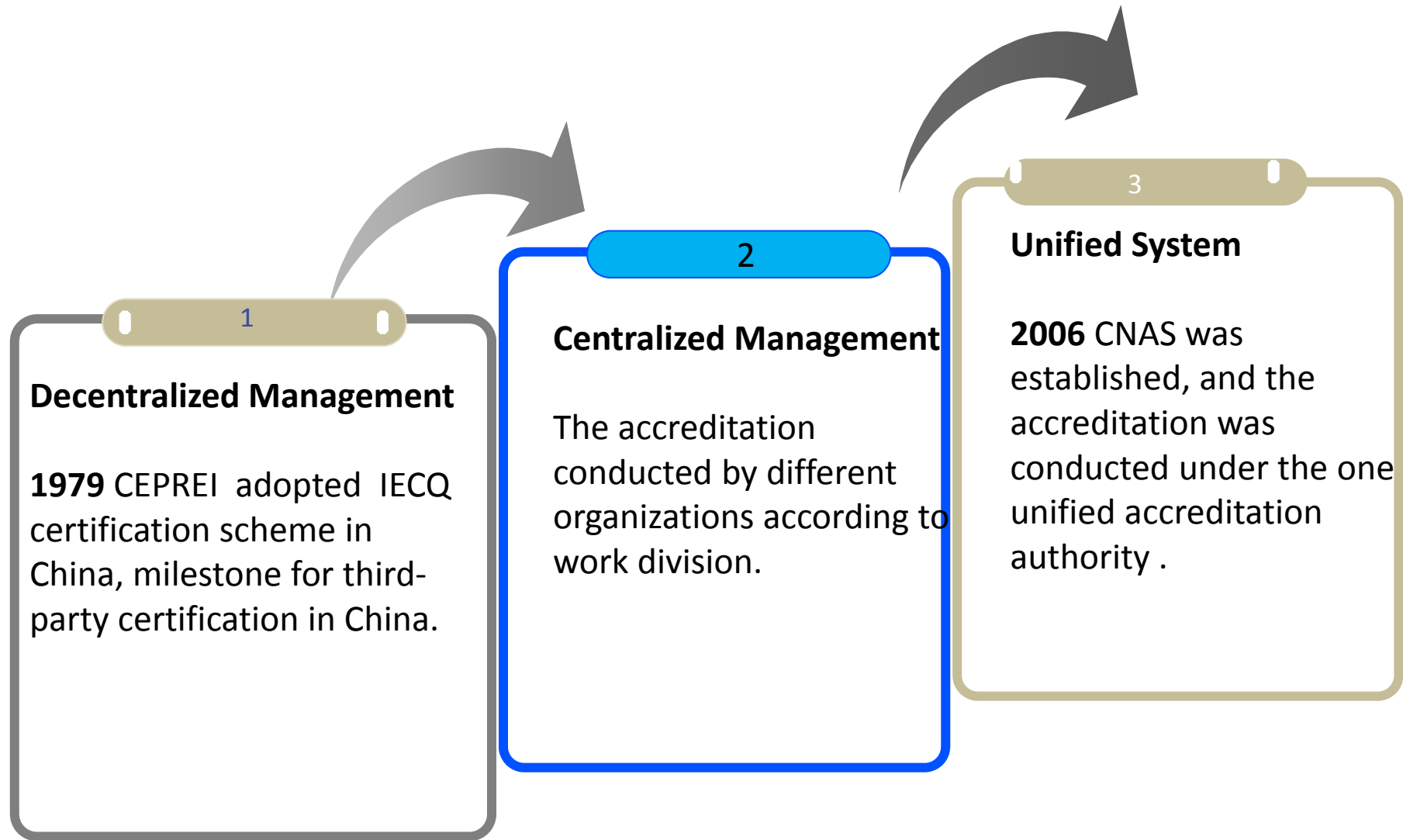
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Evolution Process



Major principles

- Encourage adoption of international standard in certification and accreditation
- Adopt international practices in accreditation
- Participate in the international multilateral agreement (MLA) on mutual recognition

CNAS is currently a formal member of



Description of Abbreviations:

IAF : International Accreditation Forum

ILAC : International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation

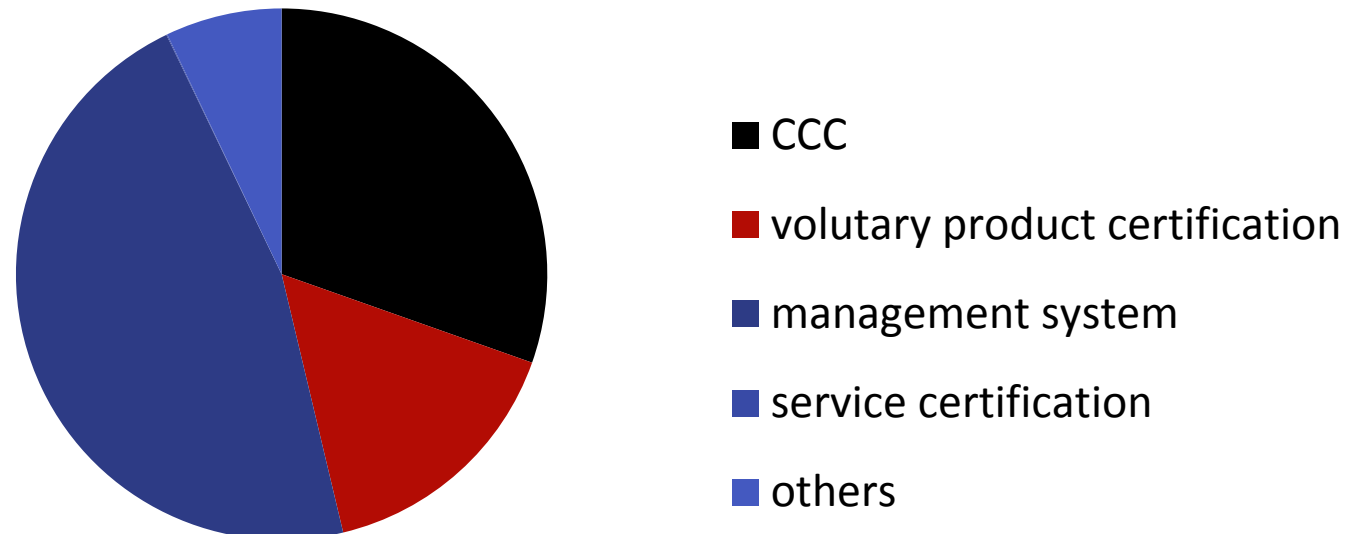
APLAC : Asia-Pacific Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation

PAC : Pacific Accreditation Cooperation

Current status

By the end of 2013:

- 174 certification bodies approved, including 136 accredited by CNAS.
- 1,163,817 certificates issued:



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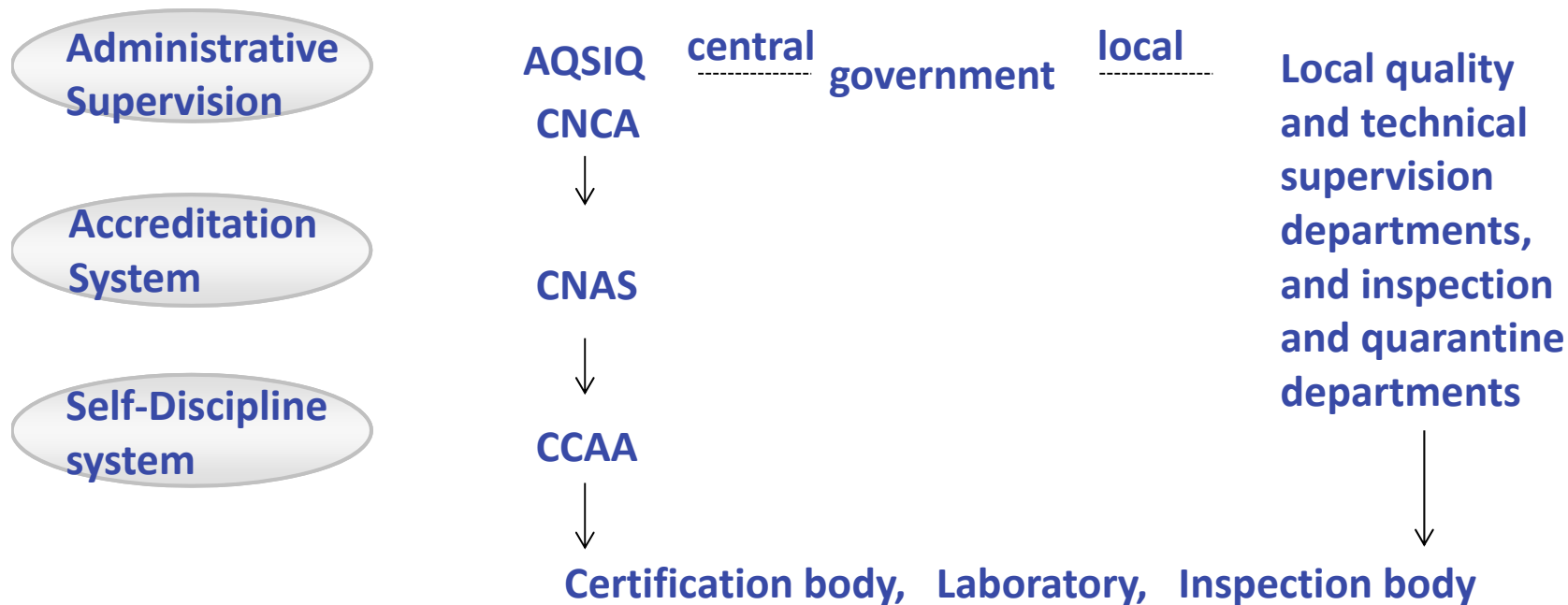
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Description of abbreviations:

AQSIIQ : State Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine

CNCA : Administration of Certification & Accreditation of China

CNAS : National Accreditation Service for Conformity Assessment

CCAA : China Certification and Accreditation Association



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