Egyptian Accreditation Council EGAC
EGAC was established in 1996 and reorganized in 2008 by presidential decrees which granted the full independence technically, financially and administratively as the sole accreditation body in Egypt for assessment and accreditation of conformity assessment bodies including testing, calibration and medical labs, inspection bodies, certification bodies for management systems, production and personnel besides proficiency testing providers.
EGAC achieved international recognition of ILAC in accreditation of testing / calibration and medical laboratories, and inspection bodies since 2009 and renewed in 2013, 2017 till 2021.
Brief about EGAC

- EGAC achieved international recognition of IAF in accreditation of Certification Bodies of Management Systems including QMS and EMS since 2009 and renewed in 2013, 2017 till 2021 and extended its recognition to include FSMS in 2017.

- EGAC achieved AFRAC and ARAC recognition as recognized regional accreditation bodies in testing / calibration and medical laboratories, inspection bodies and accreditation of Certification Bodies of Management Systems including QMS and EMS and extended its recognition to include FSMS in 2017.

- EGAC is a member in Standards and Metrology Institute for the Islamic Countries (SMIIC) and in its Accreditation Council.
Brief about EGAC (continue …)

- EGAC signed BLA with European Cooperation for Accreditation EA in June 2019 in the scope of accreditation of PTP as the first accreditation body from the neighborhood countries to EU signs BLA in this scope.

- EGAC is a constituent member of International Halal Accreditation Forum IHAF and a member of its BOD and chairs the Technical Affairs Committee of IHAF.

- EGAC is a member of ISO Ad Hoc Group Anti-bribery management systems responsible for considering post-publication issues relating to ISO 37001:2016.

- EGAC is a Member of ISO Advisory Group Communications and Engagement responsible for addressing the immediate communications and engagement issues around ISO 37001.
International Accreditation Recognition

Regional Accreditation Recognition

International Halal Accreditation Forum

Standards and Metrology Institute for the Islamic Countries
Scopes of Accreditation

- Testing Labs (ISO/IEC 17025)
- Calibration Labs (ISO/IEC 17025)
- Medical Labs (ISO 15189)
- Certification Bodies (QMS, EMS and FSMS) (ISO/IEC 17021)
- Inspection Bodies (ISO/IEC 17020)
- Persons Certification (ISO/IEC 17024)
- Product Certification (ISO/IEC 17065)
- Proficiency Testing Providers (ISO/IEC 17043)
Accreditation Process

1. Application
2. Appointment and Approval of Assessors
   - Corrective action for Non Conformities
3. Document Review
   - Corrective action for Non Conformities
4. Pre-assessment Visit (Optional)
   - Corrective action for Non Conformities
5. Assessment Visit
6. Technical Committee Recommendation
7. Accreditation Committee Decision & Grant accreditation
8. Surveillance Visits and Reassessment
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Infrastructure of Egyptian Quality System
Quality Infra-Structure in Egypt

National Quality Council

Accreditation
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Metrology
NIS

Standardization
EOS

Conformity Assessment Bodies

Cal/Test
Certification
Inspection
Medical
Proficiency Testing

Market Surveillance

Ministry of Agriculture
Ministry of Supply
Ministry of Trade and Industry
Ministry of Health
Contribution in development of Quality Infrastructure

Technical Regulations:
- EGAC shared effectively in supporting Quality infrastructure in Egypt through accreditation.
- EGAC succeeded to add a new technical regulation in the requirements of acceptance of products and services imported to Egypt that the importer should submit a certificate from a CAB accredited from a recognized accreditation body (Ministerial Decrees 991:2015/24:2016/43:2017)

Metrology:
- EGAC shared in issuing and restructuring of the Egyptian Metrology law.

Quality Legal Framework:
- EGAC shared in preparation of a draft proposal of the Unified Quality Law in Egypt.
Standards
▪ EGAC is sharing in ISO technical committees and mirror committees in the Egyptian Organization of Standardization.

Halal Products
▪ EGAC is a BOD member of IHAF and heads the technical affairs committee of IHAF.

Quality legal framework
▪ EGAC shared in preparation of the draft Unified Quality Law in Egypt.

▪ EGAC contacted Egyptian WTO representative Sector of Trade agreements – Ministry of Trade and Industry to support this work and be engaged together in this work.
Brief about EGAC

- **EGAC has accredited about 500 CAB till now in different accreditation scopes** (Testing / Calibration / Medical / Certification of MS / PTP / Product Certification / Forensic labs).

- **EGAC accredited CABs in different countries besides Egypt like** (Sudan / Niger / Saudi Arabia / Italy / Germany / Kuwait / India / Lebanon / UAE / Iraq / Jordan).

- **EGAC carried out multiple accreditations on behalf of another accreditation bodies like** UKAS, ANAB, FINAS, JAS-ANS and ACCREDIA.
EGAC through 3 twinning projects with EU could strengthen its accreditation capabilities and extend its scopes of accreditation by adding 3 new accreditation schemes (PTP, Product certification and certification of personnel).

EGAC through the same projects established a marketing plan and carried out many workshops and seminars all over Egypt for awareness the industrial community of the importance and benefits of accreditation in the framework of quality infrastructure.
Comparison between no. of CABS accredited in the past 3 years

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Brief about EGAC

- EGAC has signed MOUs with correspondent accreditation bodies in Africa, USA, Asia and Europe:
  - ENAO
  - BSCA
  - ANSI
  - NAH
  - CNAS

A new MOU will be signed with Brazilian Accreditation Body shortly.
Brief about EGAC

- EGAC has accredited distinguished conformity assessment bodies of a unique scope like:
  - DNA Finger Print Laboratory - Forensic Medical Labs - Egyptian Forensic Medicine Authority - Ministry of Justice
    First accredited lab in Middle East and Africa in this scope.
  - Egyptian Doping Control Laboratory Ministry of Defense in determination of some Hematological Parameters.
    First accredited lab in Middle East in this scope, second after (South Africa).
1. Maintains International and Regional recognition.

2. Extension of recognition scopes to include validation and verification, product and persons certification.

3. Support activities of International Halal Accreditation Forum IHAF with vision of recognition accreditation bodies in accreditation of HALAL certification.
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