



*Joint IAF-ILAC-ISO Communiqué  
on the  
Management Systems Requirements of ISO/IEC 17025:2005,  
General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration  
laboratories*

A laboratory's fulfilment of the requirements of ISO/IEC 17025:2005 means the laboratory meets both the technical competence requirements and **management system requirements** that are necessary for it to consistently deliver technically valid test results and calibrations. The **management system requirements** in ISO/IEC 17025:2005 (Section 4) are written in language relevant to laboratory operations and meet the principles of ISO 9001:2008 **Quality Management Systems — Requirements** and are aligned with its pertinent requirements.

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IAF Chair

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ILAC Chair

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ISO Secretary General