

Criteria for Accreditation Conformity Assessment Bodies operating Certification of Persons

1. Objective:

The objective of this document is to describe the criteria for accreditation of Conformity Assessment Bodies (CABs) operating Certification of Persons (CoP) in accordance with the international standards as applicable.

2. Responsibility:

Director of GAB shall be responsible for ensuring that the criteria is maintained updated and appropriately communicated to the CABs in particular and to public in general.

3. Criteria for Accreditation of CABs for Validation and Verification of Environmental Information

The accreditation criteria are based on the international standards applicable for the CABs operating Certification of Persons. Following are the standards that will be used as criteria for accreditation:

a) ISO/IEC 17024:2012 General requirements for bodies operating certification of persons.

This document is issued by International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and can be purchased from ISO online from its website www.iso.org

As part of the membership with APAC/GACI, GAB has adopted the documents issued by APAC/GACI in addition to the above.

b) Any requirements specified by the scheme followed by the CABs for Certification of Persons will be additional to the requirements of ISO/IEC 17024.

5. Amendment of Criteria for accreditation

GAB reserves the right to amend the criteria of accreditation. The amendments in the criteria of accreditation will be communicated to applicant/accredited CABs for implementation as per accreditation procedure.

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