

ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ACA	-	Australian Communications Authority
ALQS	-	Association of Listed Quality Suppliers
APEC	-	Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation
API	-	American Petroleum Institute
APLAC	-	Asia Pacific Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation
APMLF	-	Asia Pacific Legal Metrology Forum
APMP	-	Asia Pacific Metrology Programme
AQC	-	Australian Quality Council
ASGA	-	Association for Small Group Activities
ASME	-	American Society of Mechanical Engineers
ASQ	-	American Society for Quality
BENSA	-	Benchmarking South Africa
BIPM	-	International Bureau of Weights and Measures
CEN	-	European Committee for Standardisation
CENELEC	-	European Committee for Electro technical Standardisation
CGPM	-	General Conference on Weights and Measures
CIPM	-	International Committee of Weights and Measures
CSIR	-	Council for Scientific and Industrial Research
DTI	-	Department of Trade and Industry
EA	-	European cooperation for Accreditation
EFQM	-	European Foundation for Quality Management
EMS	-	Environmental Management System
EOQ	-	European Organisation for Quality
ETSI	-	European Telecommunications Standards Institute
GLP	-	Good Laboratory Practice
HACCP	-	Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points
IAF	-	International Accreditation Forum
IEC	-	International Electrotechnical Commission
IECEE	-	IEC System for Conformity Testing and Certification of Electrical Equipment
ILAC	-	International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation
ILO	-	International Labour Organisation
ISO	-	International Standards Organisation
ITU	-	International Telecommunications Union
MAC	-	Manufacturing Advisory Centre
MBNQA	-	Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Awards
MENAMET	-	Middle East and North Africa Metrology Cooperation
MIG	-	Metrology Instrumentation Group

MOA	-	Memorandum of Agreement
MOU	-	Memorandum of Understanding
NLA	-	National Laboratory Association
NOSA	-	National Occupational Health and Safety Association
NRF	-	National Research Foundation (NRF),
MRA	-	Mutual Recognition Agreement
NMI	-	National Metrology Institute
NML	-	National Metrology Laboratory
OECD	-	Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
OIML	-	International Organisation for Legal Metrology
PAC	-	Pacific Accreditation Cooperation
PASC	-	Pacific Area Standards Congress
RAAF	-	Representative Accreditation Advisory Forum
QMS	-	Quality Management System
SAACB	-	Southern African Association of Certification Bodies
SAATCA	-	Southern African Auditor & Training Certification Association
SABS	-	South African Bureau of Standards
SACOB	-	South African Chamber of Business
SADC	-	South African Development Community
SADCA	-	SADC Accreditation Cooperation
SADCMEL	-	SADC Legal Metrology Cooperation
SADCMET	-	SADC Measurement Traceability Cooperation
SADCSTAN	-	SADC Standards Cooperation
SAE	-	American Society of Automobile Engineers
SAEF	-	South African Excellence Foundation
SANAS	-	South African National Accreditation System
SAQI	-	South African Quality Institute
SASQ	-	South African Society for Quality
SBDC	-	Small Business Development Council
SDO	-	Standards Development organisation
SI	-	International System of Units
SMME	-	Small Medium & Micro Enterprises
TAB	-	Technical Advisory Board
TBT	-	Technical Barriers to Trade
WHO	-	World Health Organisation
WQC	-	World Quality Council
WTO	-	World Trade Organisation