



**PL SM 4.6.2-02-2019**

**POLICY ON TRANSITION TO STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019  
(ISO/IEC TS 17021-10:2018(E), IDT) « Conformity assessment —  
Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of  
management systems — Part 10: Competence requirements for  
auditing and certification of occupational health and safety  
management systems»**

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*This document defines the policy of the accreditation body - State Enterprise "BSCA" on the transition to STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019 (ISO/IEC TS 17021-10:2018(E), IDT) «Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 10: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of occupational health and safety management systems».*

1. The policy on the transition to new standard defines the actions of the accreditation body and management system certification bodies that certify occupational health and safety management systems (hereinafter referred to as management system certification bodies) in order to carry out a balanced transition to the requirements of the new standard.

## 2. Actions of Accreditation body

The transition period to STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019 is **March 31, 2020** in accordance with the terms defined by resolutions IAF 2018-16, IAF 2018-17 and IAF 2012-11 (within 2 years from the last day of the month of publication of the international standard ISO/IEC TS 17021-10:2018).

The State Enterprise "BSCA" as an accreditation body plans and implements the activities to be realized by **March 31, 2020** that include, but do not limit to:

- in order to ensure the necessary competence, conducting training of assessors, technical assessors, trainings for accredited entities and applicants for accreditation in reviewing the requirements of the new standard STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019;
- informing concerned parties on the implementation of new accreditation criteria for management systems certification bodies established by PL SM 4.6.1 "Policy on the activities of the State enterprise "BSCA" and accreditation criteria";
- analyzing the sufficiency of the resources required for carrying out competency assessments according to the new standard STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019 and, if necessary, taking reasonable efforts to minimize risks (if any);
- updating BSCA management system documents in the context of the transition to STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019 (if necessary);
- carrying out assessment of management systems certification bodies competence against the requirements of STB ISO/IEC 17021-1-2016, taking into account the requirements of STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019 and a records review technique;
- timely decision making on confirming/non-confirming the validity of accreditation certificates for compliance with STB ISO/IEC 17021-1-2016, taking into account the requirements of STB ISO / IEC TS 17021-10-2019.

### 3. Actions by management systems certification bodies

For the successful transition and confirming accreditation against STB ISO/IEC 17021-1-2016, taking into account the new standard STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019, management systems certification bodies shall take the following actions during the transition period:

- to ensure the availability of the official version of the new standard STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019;

- to develop a plan for transitioning to the new standard STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019, containing the following information:

  - training of management systems certification body personnel on the requirements of the new standard STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019;

  - analysis of management system documents of management systems certification body for the purpose of their updating, taking into account the requirements of the new standard STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019;

  - assessment of the competence of the personnel of a management systems certification body in terms of compliance of the competence with the requirements of the new standard STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019;

  - self-assessment of compliance with STB ISO/IEC 17021-1-2016, taking into account the new standard STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019 in terms of personnel competency management.

- to inform the State Enterprise “BSCA” by **March 1, 2020** on the implementation and the compliance of the activities of management systems certification body with the requirements of STB ISO/IEC 17021-1-2016, taking into account the new standard STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019, by providing an information notice, including evidences confirming the implementation of the transition plan.

From **March 31, 2020**, the validity of all accreditation certificates confirming the competence of management systems certification bodies against STB ISO/IEC 17021-1-2016 *without* taking into account the requirements of STB ISO/IEC TS 17021-10-2019 shall be deemed **invalid**.

*For reference:*

*This Policy was adopted on November 28, 2019 at the meeting of working group No.1 of the Technical Committee on Accreditation No.8 of the State Enterprise “BSCA” and shall be binding on all concerned parties from the moment of its adoption.*