



UKAS links to the Automotive Industry

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UKAS Vision

‘Everything that should be underpinned by UKAS accreditation, is’

The purpose of accreditation is to give confidence to stakeholders and wider society that activities are undertaken competently

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Recognition



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What areas do we accredit?

- Certification Bodies (CBs) certifying Management Systems
- Testing Laboratories
- Calibration Laboratories
- Inspection Bodies
- Certification Bodies certifying Products

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Management System

- Link with UKAS and IAF MLA CBs
- ISO 9001 across the supply chain
- Other management systems (ISO14001, ISO45001, etc.)

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Testing Laboratories

- Vehicle system testing
- Structural testing
- Lubricant testing
- Noise testing
- Emission testing

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Calibration

- Electrical Equipment
- Mechanical Equipment

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Inspection Bodies

- Pressure Equipment
- NDT

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Product Certifications

- Equipment
- Parts
- Systems

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Cooperation/Links between UKAS and Automotive Industry

- Historic links with QS-9000 then parting of ways
- SMMT represented on UKAS PAC/PAF
- IATF associate member of IAF
- Meeting between UKAS and SMMT in December

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Possible future cooperation

- SMMT representation on UKAS MSCTAC
- Observation/Joint visits

Note: MSCTAC – Management System Certification Technical Committee

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Any Questions?

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Thank you



UKAS and Brexit

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EU Recognition

- UKAS is appointed as the National Accreditation Body under EU Regulation 765/2008
- Accredited conformity assessment is a requirement of a number of EU Regulations and Directives e.g.:
 - ‘Notified bodies’ required for certification and testing under a wide range of product regulations e.g. toys, lifts, machinery, pressure equipment
 - Certification of organic food and farming
 - Forensic testing e.g. fingerprints and DNA
 - EU Emissions Trading Scheme – verification of emissions

International Recognition

- Accredited conformity assessment is referenced in the World Trade Organisation Association Technical Barriers to Trade Agreement and bilateral trade agreements
- Multilateral agreements established between economies to recognise accredited results and facilitate trade
- Mutual Recognition Agreements between EU and third countries re regulatory conformity assessment
- UKAS is a member of:



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UK withdrawal from EU

- Post Brexit it is vitally important that UK businesses can continue to benefit from UKAS accredited conformity assessment by:
 - Continued recognition of UKAS as the national accreditation body
 - Continued UKAS membership of EA, ILAC and IAF
 - Access to UK based notified bodies or other mutually recognised bodies for EU regulated products
 - Accredited conformity assessment recognised in any new trade agreements

UKAS Actions

- Multiple meetings to provide information about accreditation to support UK policy and trade agreements
 - BEIS
 - DExEU
 - DIT
- Briefing notes and Brexit 'flyer'
- Provision of information to accredited organisations: Update and customer communication
- Webpage: <https://www.ukas.com/customer-area/ukas-and-brexit/>



Possible outcomes

Different Brexit outcomes would affect the acceptance of products and services in different ways.

	Regulatory		Voluntary		
	Testing and certification	Notified bodies	Testing	Certification of products	Certification of management systems
No recognition as National Accreditation Body	Red	Red	Red	Red	Red
Continued recognition as National Accreditation Body	UK only	Red	Green	Green	Green
UK remains in Single market/Customs Union	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
UK/EU trade agreement	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Green	Green
No UK/EU agreement	Red	Red	Green	Green	Green
UK/3rd country trade agreements	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Green	Green
No UK/3rd country trade agreements	Red	Red	Green	Green	Green

■ Products, services accepted
 ■ Depends on the agreement reached
■ Products, services not accepted

Progress

- Assurances received that the appointment of UKAS as National Accreditation Body will continue post-Brexit
- EA membership confirmed until December 2020 and commitment to review membership criteria
- ILAC and IAF membership unaffected
- Need for mutual recognition of accredited conformity assessment in trade agreements acknowledged

Progress

- Government White Paper on the future relationship between the UK and the EU – July 2018

“Manufacturers should only need to undergo one series of tests in either market.”

“In order to achieve this the UK’s proposals include.....a jointly agreed accreditation framework to provide mutual assurance that UK and EU conformity assessments are robust.”

- Implementation period until 31 December 2020 agreed in principle

Progress - Notified bodies

Parliamentary Question (20 June 2018)

- The Earl of Kinnoull: To ask Her Majesty's Government whether UK Notified Bodies will be able to continue to work with UK manufacturers, checking their products conform to the essential requirements of European directives which have also been transposed into UK law, until the end of the anticipated Brexit implementation period.
- Lord Henley (Con): The Government recognises the valuable work undertaken by UK Notified Bodies in ensuring that products placed on the market have been through suitable assessment to ensure they comply with the relevant requirements.

During the implementation period the UK will no longer be a Member State of the European Union, but market access will continue on current terms.

For UK Notified Bodies this means that they will continue to be able to conduct third-party conformity assessments for both the UK and the EU markets as they do now.

BUT dependent on deal being reached

'No Deal' planning

Trading goods regulated under the 'New Approach' if there's no Brexit deal - 13 September 2018

- Negotiated outcome remains priority
- UKAS to continue as national accreditation body
- UK Notified Bodies no longer recognised by EU
- New UK mark introduced to replace CE marking
- Technical requirements initially the same
- UK Notified Bodies to be granted UK 'Approved Body' status
- CE marked products to be accepted for a 'time-limited' period

Discussions with BEIS on implications for UKAS, Notified Bodies and businesses

Thank You