

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE KOREA LABORATORY ACCREDITATION
SCHEME (KOLAS)
AND
THE NATIONAL CENTER OF ACCREDITATION (NCA)**

The Korea Laboratory Accreditation Scheme (KOLAS) of the Korean Agency for Technology and Standards of the Republic of Korea and the National Center of Accreditation (NCA) of the Committee on Technical Regulation and Metrology of the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Republic of Kazakhstan (further- the Parties),

Regarding the removal of technical barriers in economic and trade relations, in the sphere of safety of products concerning life, health and environment protection, and the property of population;

Desiring to promote expansion of cooperation between the Parties in the sphere of accreditation;

In view of the increasing importance of exchanging information and experience;

Being conscious of the increasing value of international standards in conditions of the global market;

Both Parties have agreed as follows:

1. The mutual exchange of experts:

- a) NCA will send its accreditation assessors to the Republic of Korea to observe assessment preparations and assessment carried out by KOLAS. Upon dispatching NCA accreditation assessors to Korea, the Parties shall conclude detailed implementation plan including duration, expenses, etc.
- b) KOLAS will provide experts to present seminars/trainings in Kazakhstan relevant to special aspects of accreditation such as internal auditing, measurement uncertainties, evaluation of proficiency testing results and

interlaboratory comparisons.

2. Accreditation assesement of CABs and laboratories located in Kazakhstan.

According to the request of NCA, KOLAS will, if possible, carry out assessment of CABs according to international standards. During the assessments, experts of NCA will be present as observers, technical experts and assessors (as long as this will have been agreed on).

3. Cooperation on international platforms.

Both Parties can exchange opinions on individual issues which will be dealt within the frame of international agreements in the field of accreditation.

4. The Memorandum will be valid from the date of its signature.

This Memorandum has been drawn up in duplicate in English, Korean and Kazakh language, and each Party will get one copy, all texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence in interpretaion, the English text shall previal.

Signed in Astana on the 24th day of September 2008.

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