

Technical Bulletin: Aerospace Sector Scheme - communication from International Aerospace Quality Group Other Party Management Team (IAQG-OPMT) regarding activities in the Russian Federation

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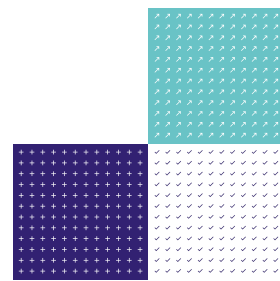
This Bulletin is for all UKAS accredited Certification Bodies operating under the International Aerospace Quality Group (IAQG) Aerospace Scheme.

This is to confirm that the International Aerospace Quality Group Other Party Management Team (IAQG OPMT) have recently published IAQG Resolution # 161 and supporting Notice (dated 22 March 2022) providing instruction to Accreditation Bodies and Certification Bodies regarding expected actions in respect to activities in the Russian Federation.

In particular your attention is drawn to section 4 of the notice (extract in italics below), relating to Requirements for Certification Bodies:-

4. Requirements for Certification Bodies

- 4.1 *CBs are to identify all AQMS certifications with one or more physical or virtual sites located in the Russian Federation.*
- 4.2 *CBs shall make a certification decision to suspend AQMS certifications with one or more physical or virtual sites located in the Russian Federation on or before April 1, 2022.*
- 4.3 *CBs may conduct special audits to remove sites from AQMS certifications where the central function for the AQMS certification is not located in the Russian Federation. When an organization's AQMS can be demonstrated to be conforming to all applicable requirements and there are no sites that are physically or virtually located within the Russian Federation. The CB may make a certification decision to restore the suspended AQMS certification once the site(s) have been removed from the certificate.*
- 4.4 *Suspensions should not remain in place for more than 6 months after the certification decision. Where suspensions extend beyond 6 months, CBs shall make a certification decision to withdraw the AQMS certification.*
- 4.5 *All AQMS audit and certification activity within the Russian Federation shall be discontinued immediately.*



UKAS accredited certification bodies with activity in the Russian Federation should confirm in writing to their Assessment Manager that the above actions have been completed. UKAS will also monitor the OASIS Database to ensure that appropriate action has been taken.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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