



*Joint ISO-ILAC-IAF  
Communique on the  
Management Systems Requirements of ISO/IEC 17025,  
General Requirements for the competence of testing and  
calibration laboratories*

*A laboratory's fulfillment of the requirements of ISO/IEC 17025 means the laboratory meets both the technical competence requirements and **management system requirements** that are necessary for it to consistently deliver technically valid test results and calibrations. The **management system requirements** in ISO/IEC 17025 are written in language relevant to laboratory operations and operate generally in accordance with the principles of ISO 9001.*

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ISO Acting Secretary General

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ILAC Chair

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IAF Chair

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