

ILAC MRA 2017 – a year of facilitating Global trade

Introduction to ILAC:

ILAC is the international authority on laboratory, inspection body, reference material producer and proficiency testing provider accreditation, collectively known as conformity assessment bodies (CAB's), with a membership consisting of accreditation bodies and stakeholder organisations throughout the world.

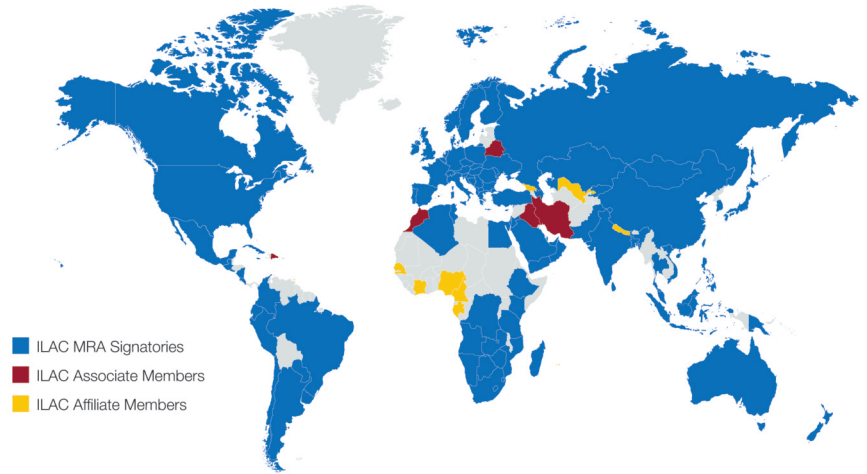
Introduction to the MRA:

The ILAC Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) is an agreement signed by the signatory accreditation bodies to recognise the equivalence of the accreditation programs operated within the scope of their signatory status. The aim being, "accredited once, accepted everywhere."

Scope of the ILAC MRA

The scope of the MRA cover the following accreditation programs:

- **Calibration laboratories** using ISO/IEC 17025
- **Testing laboratories** using ISO/IEC 17025
- **Medical testing laboratories** using ISO 15189
- **Inspection bodies** using ISO/IEC 17020



95%

of Global Gross Domestic Product is covered by ILAC MRA Signatories

100%

increase in accreditation bodies since start of MRA in 2000

54%

increase in CAB's since 2012

80% of Global trade involves conformity assessment (source: OECD)

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Recognised Regional Bodies

97

Signatories from 100 economies

77,000

Accredited CAB's



The signatories to the ILAC MRA and their accredited conformity assessment bodies are able to use the **ILAC MRA Mark** to show international recognition.



Accreditation:
Delivering Global Confidence

The value of the ILAC MRA

Gathering the evidence to demonstrate the value of accreditation and accredited services with case studies and research papers.



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