

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE BUREAU OF INDIAN STANDARDS (BIS)
AND
INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH OF
IRAN (ISIRI)**

Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), India and The Institute of Standards and Industrial Research of Iran (ISIRI), Iran hereinafter referred to as "the Parties"

Desiring, in a spirit of co-operation and mutual interest, to enhance and strengthen technical cooperation in the fields of standardization, certification and quality assurance systems with the aim of exchange of necessary information and expertise between the Parties.

Have REACHED the following understanding:

ARTICLE 1

Objectives

The objectives of this MOU are to facilitate closer cooperation and provide a mechanism by which Parties can work together towards the common aim of strengthening standardization, certification and testing activities and facilitate sharing of expertise and mutual trade.

ARTICLE 2

Areas of Cooperation

The Parties shall, within their competence and in accordance with their respective relevant laws and regulations, encourage and promote cooperation in the areas of:

2.1 Standardization

The Parties shall exchange information and documents in the fields of standardization. These will include organizational structure for standardization, rules and procedures for standards formulation, including standards work programmes for standards formulation.

The Parties shall exchange scientific and technical information on issues of standardization upon which the Parties shall agree.

2.2 Certification

(1) The Parties shall study each other's organizational structure, and the rules and procedures for third party product certification and the Management Systems Certification, to the extent as may be appropriate.

(2) The Parties shall exchange in-house manuals for product certification and Management Systems Certification, to the extent as may be appropriate.

(3) The Parties shall exchange technical information on certification activities upon their consensual agreement for the development of their activities.

2.3 Testing

(1) The Parties shall exchange information in relation to testing and calibration facilities available in their laboratories and/or network.

(2) The Parties shall exchange the procedures for testing and calibration with a view to extending their testing and calibration service, as well as carrying out joint research and development

activities on mutually agreed basis through their network, as appropriate.

(3) The Parties shall study the other Party's organizational structure and/or network for testing procedures for laboratory tests, and the development of calibration and testing laboratories based on international criteria with the aim of allowing mutual recognition of test reports.

2.4 Technical information

The Parties shall exchange information relating to compilation, storage, retrieval, application and dissemination of scientific and technical information on standardization, certification and testing.

2.5 Training

(1) The Party shall provide training for the other Party's personnel in the field of standardization, quality assurances, and testing on reciprocal basis and in other areas of mutual interest, as may be appropriate.

(2) The Party shall organize training programmes for the other Party's personnel in standardization, quality assurance and testing as may be appropriate.

ARTICLE 3

Financing

The Parties shall bear the costs related to any activity arising from or as a result of this Memorandum of Understanding on terms to be mutually agreed between the Parties

ARTICLE 4

Amendment

This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended or supplemented at any time by written agreement between the Parties.

ARTICLE 5

Language

Parties agree to use English as the working language.

ARTICLE 6

Dispute Settlement

Any dispute, disagreement or claim arising out of the interpretation or implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled amicably by consultations and negotiation between the Parties.

ARTICLE 7

Final Provision

This Memorandum of Understanding shall be effective from the date of signature of both parties and valid for an indefinite period and may be terminated at any time by either Party giving at least four months' prior notice to the other Party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE SIGNED THE PRESENT Memorandum of Understanding.

Done in duplicate at Tehran this 4th day of May Two thousand and thirteen, in the English, Hindi, and Farsi languages, all texts being

equally authentic. In case of differences, the English text shall prevail.

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