

IAAC OIML Webinar

Introduction to the OIML Certification System (OIML-CS)

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About the OIML

- The OIML is an "international standard-setting body" in the sense of the World Trade Organization's Technical Barriers to Trade Agreement (WTO TBT)
- We are an intergovernmental treaty organization, established in 1955, which develops model regulations and related documents for use by legal metrology authorities and industry
- The OIML provides a mutual recognition system which reduces trade barriers and costs in a global market

The mission of the OIML is to enable economies to put in place effective legal metrology infrastructures that are mutually compatible and internationally recognized, for all areas for which governments take responsibility, such as those which facilitate trade, establish mutual confidence and harmonize the level of consumer protection worldwide.

Membership

OIML Membership comprises:

- 64 Member States (countries that have ratified the <u>OIML Convention</u>), and
- 66 Corresponding Members (countries or economies that are not yet Member States, but that are interested in the work of the OIML)





The **four pillars** of the OIML's activity are:

- production and publication of technical standards (recommendations), including various publications and guides
- 2. operating the OIML Certification System (OIML-CS) which is a mutual recognition system for measuring instruments used in legal applications such as trade



3. capacity building and outreach initiatives through our Countries and Economies with Emerging Metrology Systems (CEEMS) program, and



4. cooperation with international organisations to advocate the importance of legal metrology as part of the Quality Infrastructure



Global Quality Infrastructure





OIML Certification System (OIML-CS)



BASIC **PUBLICATION** OIML B 18 Edition 2022 (E)

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Principles of the OIML-CS

- The OIML-CS is a system for issuing, registering and using OIML certificates and their associated type evaluation reports for measuring instruments based on the requirements specified in OIML Recommendations
- It is a single Certification System with two Schemes:

"Scheme A"

"Scheme B"

- Classified as Scheme 1a (ISO/IEC 17067): type approval only
- Aims to facilitate, accelerate and harmonise the work of national and regional bodies that are responsible for type evaluation and type approval of measuring instruments subject to legal metrological control



Objectives of the OIML-CS

- Promote global harmonisation, and the uniform interpretation and implementation of legal metrological requirements for measuring instruments
- Avoid unnecessary re-testing when obtaining national type evaluations ... while achieving and maintaining confidence in the results in support of facilitating global trade of instruments
- Establish rules and procedures for fostering mutual confidence in the results of type evaluations



Scope of the OIML-CS

- 41 OIML Recommendations are in the OIML-CS
- 39 currently in Scheme A
- Two are in Scheme B and will transition to Scheme A
- OIML Recommendations are intended as model regulations
- Member States morally obliged to implement them
- OIML Recommendations include:
 - Metrological and technical requirements
 - Test procedures
 - Test report and type evaluation report formats

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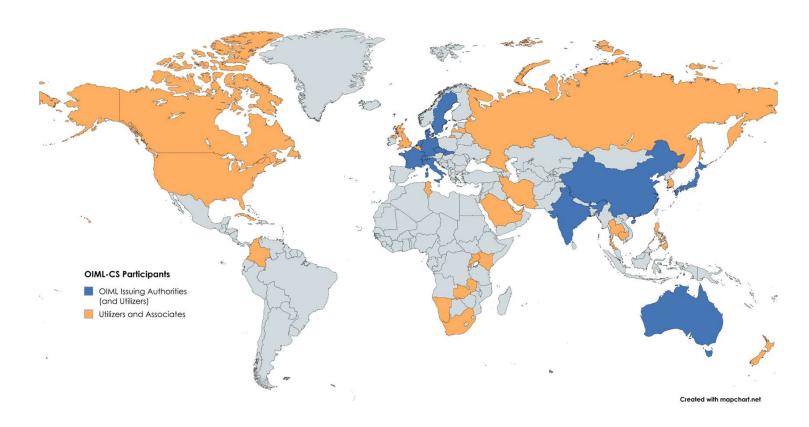


OIML Issuing Authorities



OIML-CS participation

- 14 OIML Issuing Authorities and 28 Test Laboratories approved under the OIML-CS
- 37 Utilizers and Associates





Participants in the OIML-CS

OIML Issuing Authority

certification body from an OIML Member State issuing OIML Certificates and associated OIML type evaluation reports in accordance with Scheme A or Scheme B

Test Laboratory

laboratory performing certain or all tests on a type of measuring instrument. A Test Laboratory is designated by an OIML Issuing Authority and accepted by the Management Committee

Note: A Test Laboratory may be an internal Test Laboratory of an OIML Issuing Authority, a third-party Test Laboratory or a Manufacturer's Test Laboratory (MTL)



OIML IAs and Test Labs

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Participants in the OIML-CS

Utilizer

national issuing authority or national responsible body from an **OIML Member State** that has signed a Declaration, indicating the terms of acceptance of OIML certificates and/or OIML type evaluation reports issued under Scheme A or Scheme B

Associate

national issuing authority or national responsible body from an OIML Corresponding Member that has signed a Declaration indicating the terms of acceptance of OIML certificates and/or OIML type evaluation reports

["Secret Utilizer"

any organisation other than a Utilizer or an Associate that accepts OIML certificates and/or OIML type evaluation reports issued under Scheme A or Scheme B]



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Requirements (OIML IAs and TLs)

- Requirements for the participation of OIML Issuing Authorities and their Test Laboratories in Scheme A and Scheme B are the same, but the method of demonstrating compliance is different
- OIML Issuing Authorities are required to demonstrate compliance with ISO/IEC 17065
- Test Laboratories are required to demonstrate compliance with ISO/IEC
 17025



Demonstrating Compliance

- For participation in Scheme B, it is sufficient to demonstrate compliance on the basis of "self-declaration", with additional supporting evidence
- For participation in Scheme A, compliance is demonstrated by peer evaluation, on the basis of accreditation or peer assessment
- Accreditation assessment teams shall include Legal Metrology Expert(s) approved by the OIML
- Peer assessment teams shall comprise a Management System Expert (team leader) and Legal Metrology Expert(s) approved by the OIML







OIML Certification System (OIML-CS) Implementation Accreditation in Legal Metrology

Legal Metrology Experts

gal Metrology Experts validated by the OIML-CS Management Committee to participate in Accreditation and Peer Assessments under the OIML

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Yi Chen	AU					1	1	4			1											1	
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OIML Certification System (OIML-CS) Implementation

Management System Experts – Team Leaders (Lead Assesso

. Team Leaders validated by the OIML-CS Management Committee to lead Peer Assessment

		Peer Asset	sment Activity
Team Leader	Country	Test Laboratory ISO/IEC 17025	OIML Issuing Authority ISO/IEC 17065
COUVREUR, Gulian	CH	V	1
STOLZ, Harry	DE	✓	1
JENSEN, Hans Dalsgaard	DK	4	
LORENTZEN, Erik Bruun	DK	✓	
AGARWAL, Ashutosh	IN	V	
VERBEEK, Jos	NL	✓	
BAREL, André	NL	V	ii ee
VERKUIL, Dick	NL	✓	√
PREMUŠ, Aleksander	51	· /	-
KÄLLGREN, Håkan	SE	1	1
GLAS, Grégory	UK		-
INCE, Ahmet	UK	✓	
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 Team Leaders nominated by ILAC/IAF Full Member Accreditation Bodies to lead Pe Assessments under the OIML-CS

		Peer Assessment Activity								
Team Leader	Organisation	Test Laboratory ISO/IEC 17025	OIML Issuing Authority ISO/IEC 17065							
ALEXANDER, Helga	IAS	V	100							
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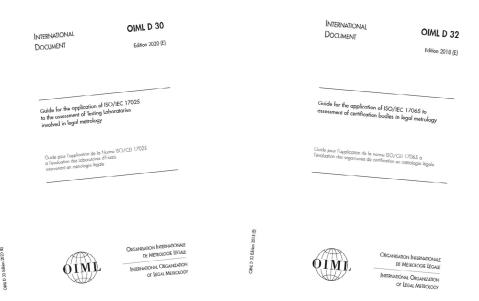
Demonstrating Compliance - accreditation

- Where accreditation is chosen, the Accreditation Body:
 - IAF Multilateral Recognition Arrangement (IAF MLA) for the OIML Issuing Authority
 - ILAC Mutual Recognition Arrangement (ILAC MRA) for the Test Laboratory
- Joint Assessment Procedures with ILAC and IAF support accreditation assessments under the OIML-CS
 - Guidelines for use of accreditation
 - Use of OIML experts in accreditation assessment teams
 - Scope of accreditation



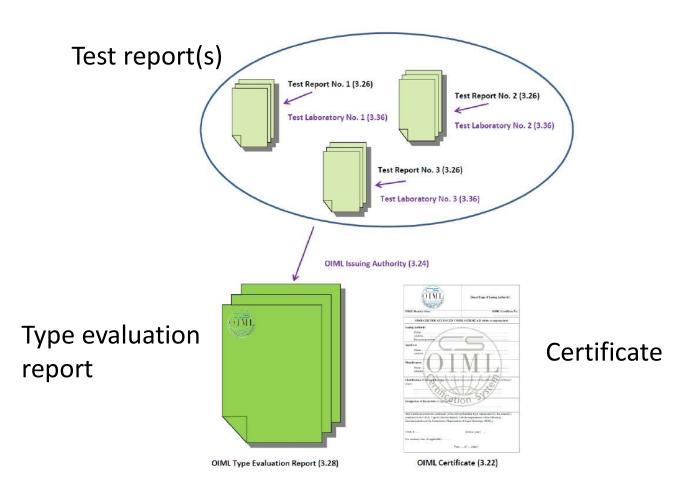
OIML D 30 and D 32

- Guidance and interpretation on the application of ISO/IEC 17025 and ISO/IEC 17065 to legal metrology
- OIML D 30 applies to testing, and OIML D 32 applies to product certification (type approval)



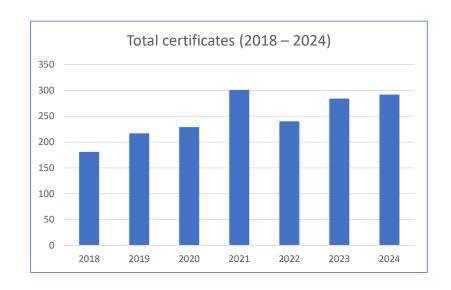


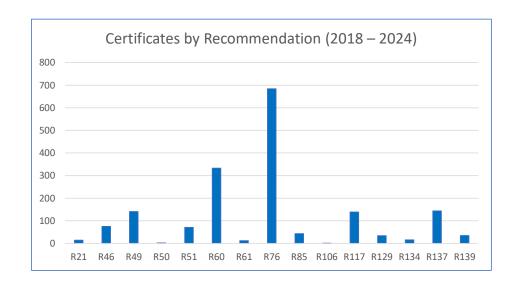
Operation of the OIML-CS





OIML-CS certificates issued







OIML certificates are a 'passport'

An OIML certificate is a 'passport' for measuring instruments entering the international market

"One-time testing; One certificate; Global Access"





OIML-CS Management Committee

- Management Committee is responsible for the operation of the OIML-CS
- Meets annually and reports to the CIML
 - Marc Schmidt, NL (Chairperson)
 - Katharina Gierschke, DE (Deputy Chairperson)
 - Tenth MC meeting (26-27 March 2025)
 - Held in Prague, Czech Republic
- Key topics discussed
 - Removal of ISO/IEC 17020 as a pathway for OIML IAs to demonstrate competence
 - Exploring the possibility of including Conformity to Type (CTT) in the OIML-CS
 - Development and future growth of the OIML-CS
 - IAF endorsement of the OIML-CS
 - Technical developments (future Recommendations) and modular approvals
 - Digitalisation issues
 - Revision of OIML D 19 Pattern approval and pattern evaluation





Future developments

- IAF 'endorsement' of the OIML-CS to assist with accreditation of OIML Issuing Authorities
- Exploring the possible inclusion of Conformity to Type (CTT) in the OIML-CS
- Continued expansion of scope (Recommendations), e.g.
 - EVSE/EVCS
 - OIML R 91 (Speed meters)
- Modular approvals
- Assessment requirements (accreditation / peer assessment)



Benefits of the OIML-CS

There are benefits for different stakeholders:



- Consumers can rely on certified measuring instruments, which fulfill internationally agreed requirements
- Manufacturers can get testing services for their measuring instruments from competent and recognised OIML Issuing Authorities and Test Laboratories
- National authorities can rely on internationally accepted OIML certificates without duplicate testing and can issue national or regional type approvals





The OIML-CS is a certification system which:



- strengthens trust in measuring instruments and measurement results
- enables certification of measuring instruments, avoiding duplicate testing and acceptance on an international level
- facilitates international trade of measuring instruments
- makes the work of legal metrology authorities more efficient





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Key facts and figures: - 91 active projects - 1140 registered technical experts - 195 technical publications - 127 Members

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Further information www.oiml.org/en/oiml-cs

Welcome to the OIML-CS homepage



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An animated video "Introduction to the OIML Certifications System (OIML-CS) was uploaded to the OIML YouTube channel on 2023-09-29.

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Click to view the table showing the measuring instrument categories in the OIML-CS and their Scheme (A or B) in the OIML-CS...

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Questions

Thank you for your attention

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