



# BRAHIM HOULA

ACCREDITATION DIRECTOR



## Contacts

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## Remote conformity assessment

### Specific experience

#### Remote conformity assessment:

- IAF-ILAC-ISO Remote survey Task Force,
- IAF Remote TF: IAF Remote Audit/Assessment Task Force,
- IAF DMC: IAF management systems Database Management Committee,
- APAC Lead peer evaluator for Management systems scope,
- Remote evaluation: Conducted 5 remote peer evaluations,
- Remote methods: Conducted remote assessments and witnessing of MS audits.
- Remote audit requirements: Member of IAF MLA & APAC MRA committees

#### Experience with ISO Rules and procedures

- JSG: IAF-ILAC-ISO JOINT STRATEGY GROUP,
- STAR: The Strategic Alliance and Regulatory Group,
- ISO/CASCO/WG 49: "Revision of ISO/IEC 17000, Vocabulary and general principles",
- ISO/CASCO/WG 56: "Conformity Assessment - Code of good practice".
- ISO CASCO Trainer: Conducted 3 training workshops for ISO CASCO 2021-2022

## Education

2001-2004

### DEA in Industrial Engineering

*Ecole Nationale d'Ingenieurs de Tunis*  
*Industrial systems and processes*  
*Renewable Energies*  
*Methode de prediction a court et long terme des performances des chauffe-eau solaires.*

1996-2001

### Industrial Engineer

*Ecole Nationale d'Ingenieurs de Tunis*



## International positions



IAF Communications & Marketing Committee Chair

IAF Executive committee Member

Joint ILAC/IAF Mutual Recognition Committee member (MLA/MRA)

IAF-ILAC-ISO JSG member

ISO CASCO STAR:member



Capacity Building Committee Chair

Executive committee Member

Lead Peer-evaluator

MRA Management Committee Elected Member



CMC & Capacity Building Committee Chair

Executive committee Member

Lead Peer-evaluator



Communication WG Convener



Mutual recognition Committee Chair

## Languages

Arabic

English

French

Italian



## Work Experience

From 2013 to Present

### Accreditation Director

GCC Accreditation Center (GAC)

- Responsible of all technical departments in GAC,
- Supervising the development of new processes and recruitment of needed staff and assessors (Testing, calibration, product certification, medical laboratories and management system certification),
- Guiding and supervising the work of the staff and assessors in different accreditation fields,
- Managing the finances of the team by effective budgeting and expenditure control,
- Representation of GAC at the national, regional and international level,
- Development of Accreditation strategies and liaising with Government, Industry and other interested parties,
- Supervising Digitalization projects of accreditation services,
- Advising GAC General direction on strategic orientations and work environment enhancing initiatives,
- Conducting onsite assessments (ISO/IEC 17025, ISO/IEC 17020, ISO/IEC 17065, ISO/IEC 17024, ISO/IEC 17021-1,...).



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GCC ACCREDITATION CENTER

## Qualifications

### Lead Peer Evaluator

APAC, ARAC, AFRAC, IHAF

### Trainer

APAC, ARAC, ISO, GSO,...

### Lead Assessor

Testing, Calibration, Inspection,  
Prdt Certification, MS Certification,  
Halal

## Peer evaluations

- NATA- Australia
- TAF-Taiwan
- BoA-Vietnam
- EGAC- Egypt
- ANSI/ANAB -USA (Remote)
- PNAC- Pakistan
- NAC -USA (Remote)
- SOAC-Sudan (Remote)
- SAAC-Saudi Arabia
- AS-AU -Jordan (Remote)
- BLQS - Thailand (Remote)

## Skills

### IT skills

Advanced Microsoft (Word, Excel, PPT..)  
Adobe Series (PS, AI, AE, Pr, Id,...)  
Video and Sound editing

### Trade negotiations training



### Communication tools and techniques



## Research Contributions

2017: Chicken stunning Halalness

2010 : Methaneproduction from food industry wastes

2004: Water desalination using Solar Energy



## Work Experience

From 2010 to 2013

### CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT SENIOR SPECIALIST

GCC STANDARDIZATION ORGANIZATION (GSO)

Technical Management of the GSO project to establish the GCC Accreditation Center.  
Leading the discussions with stakeholders and Government officials for the multi-economy agreement  
Establishment of the technical documentation for the accreditation of testing & calibration laboratories and product certification bodies for the future accreditation body.  
Coordination of the establishment of national contact points and a multi-cultural team,  
Training of assessors, country representatives and future GAC staff on accreditation requirements  
Establishment of budget estimations and benchmarking of accreditation fees for GAC.  
Reporting to the board of ministers on the advancement of the technical processes.  
Advising H.E the secretary of GSO on the strategic orientation in the filed accreditation and notification.

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GCC Standardization Organization



From 2001 to 2010

### Head of TESTING LABORATORIES ACCREDITATION

TUNISIAN ACCREDITATION COUNCIL (TUNAC)

Managing accreditation activities of testing laboratories department and reporting the general direction,  
Follow up of initial, surveillance and reaccreditation assessments in addition to the supervision of assessors  
Training and awareness activities of staff, assessors and stakeholders on the accreditation requirements  
Establishment of technical requirements for the accreditation of laboratories  
Managing cooperation projects with PTB, GIZ, UE and UNIDO supporting Tunisian QI enhancement projects  
Coordination with government departments and participation to national committees related to QI  
Conducting assessments of Testing and calibration laboratories  
Representation of TUNAC at the national and international level  
Development of new accreditation activities for TUNAC, starting up and handling to relevant departments



## Social Media Influence

Owner of the following Groups:

Expert Admins:

**ISO/IEC 17025**  
12,355 Members



**ISO/IEC 17020**  
2,910 Members



**ISO/IEC 17021-1**  
830 Members



**ISO/IEC 17034**  
866 Members



## References



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## INTERESTS

Reading 

Graphic design 

Photography 

Video animations 

Sport 

## PROUD ACHIEVEMENTS

- Contribution to the Recognition of two accreditation bodies at the international level ( TUNAC, GAC)
- Driving the establishment of regional association of laboratories in the GCC region (GCCLAB)
- Leading role in the creation of the international recognition agreements in the field of Halal Accreditation (IHAF)
- Reengineering the capacity building activities at the Asia Pacific accreditation cooperation level (APAC)
- Leading the digitalization initiative of the International Accreditation Form (IAF)

