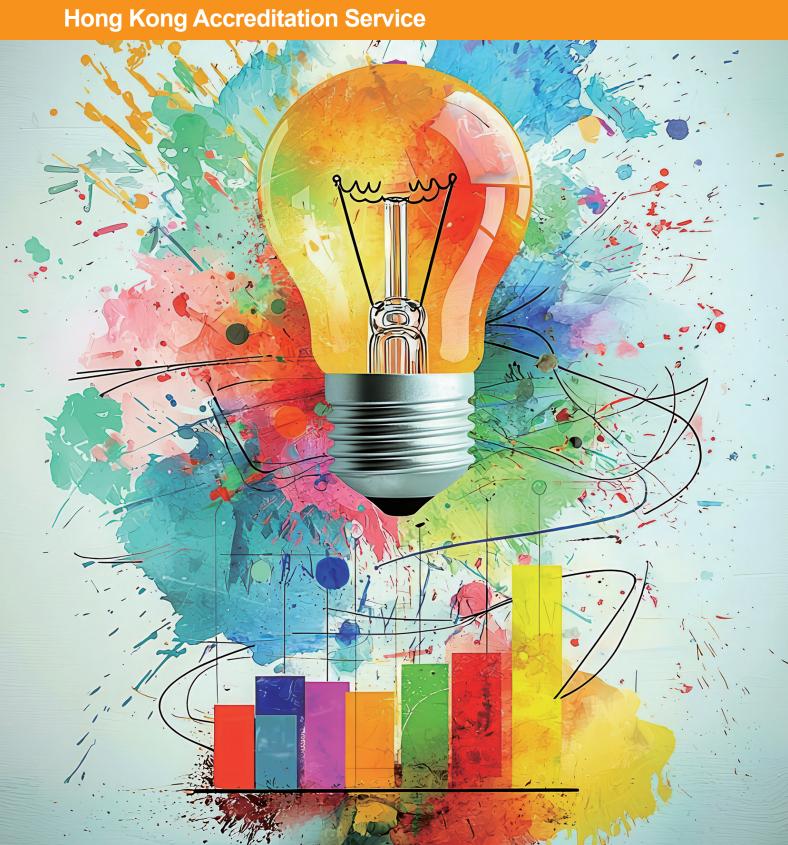
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his year marks a significant milestone for the Hong Kong Accreditation Service (HKAS) as it celebrates 40th anniversary. Since its establishment in 1985, HKAS has played a pivotal role in reinforcing Hong Kong's reputation as a global hub for trade, industry, and technological advancement by ensuring that conformity assessment bodies meet international standards.

Over the past four decades, HKAS has been instrumental in:

Boosting Trade –

By ensuring that Hong Kong's testing and certification services comply with global benchmarks, HKAS facilitates smoother cross-border trade and enhances market access for local businesses.

Enhancing Consumer Confidence –

Through rigorous assessments, HKAS ensures that products and services are safe, reliable, and trustworthy, benefiting both businesses and consumers.

Supporting Innovation –

Accreditation provides a strong foundation for emerging sectors, including green technology, medical diagnostics, and construction, fostering a culture of innovation in Hong Kong.

The success of HKAS over the past 40 years reflects the dedication of its team, the steadfast support of assessors and experts, and strong collaboration with industry stakeholders. As HKAS looks toward the future, it remains committed to upholding the highest standards and driving sustainable growth for Hong Kong's economy.



HKAS Assessor Forum 2025

ssessors and technical experts are indispensable partners of HKAS. Without their valuable contributions and support, our accreditation schemes could not operate effectively. Each year, HKAS organises the Assessor Forum—a dedicated platform to share updates, foster collaboration, and facilitate the exchange of ideas, insights, and professional experiences among HKAS officers and assessors. With support from the Hong Kong Testing and Certification Council, this year's Forum was held on 6 June 2025 at The Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel, welcoming approximately 180 participants.

The event was graced by Mr Philip HAR, Deputy Commissioner, Innovation and Technology Commission, and Mr LAU Wai-ming, Assistant Commissioner (Quality Services), Innovation and Technology Commission, who alongside our esteemed guest, Prof Henry CHUNG, Chairman of the Advisory Accreditation Board (AAB), AAB members, and guest speaker, Mr Herman CHOW, Head of Smart Health, Energy and Testing (Smart City) Division) of Hong Kong Productivity Council.

Assessor Forum

Dr. HO Chun-wah, Executive Administrator of HKAS, opened the Forum by presenting HKAS achievements in 2024 and introducing new development plans for the coming year. He expressed gratitude to all assessors and technical experts for their longstanding support. Following his address, Mr Herman CHOW delivered a talk on Testing, Inspection, and Certification (TIC) for Smart Buildings and their support to the ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) aspects of the building sector of Hong Kong.



Dr John HO reported the work of HKAS in 2024



Mr Herman CHOW introduced how TIC support smart buildings and ESG

Certificate Presentation Ceremony

At the Assessor Forum, HKAS awarded Certificates of Appreciation to 19 assessors, recognising their cumulative contributions across five service tiers (50, 100, 150, 200 and 250 assessment man-days). Prof Henry CHUNG, AAB Chairman, personally honoured three assessors who had each contributed over 250 assessment man-days, acknowledging their exceptional service to HKAS. Prof CHUNG then presented certificates of accreditation to 14 conformity assessment bodies that obtained accreditation between April 2024 and April 2025. The event concluded with specialised breakout sessions, where participants were divided into five discipline-specific discussion groups, respectively on Medical, Certification, Construction, Chemical & Biological, and Electrical & Mechanical to discuss technical issues relevant to their respective fields.

The newly accredited organisations are:

RegNum	CAB Name
HOKLAS 310	Weldtech Inspection & Testing Limited
HOKLAS 311	LUX Environmental Service Company Limited - Lux Laboratory
HOKLAS 312	Viewbond Hong Kong Limited
HOKLAS 313	AICON Company Limited
HOKLAS 314	Fugro MateriaLab Services Limited
HOKLAS 315	Hong Kong Authentication Centre of Valuable Chinese Medicines Limited
HOKLAS 316	Bioenergy Resources Research Centre Limited
HOKLAS 317	Westwood Hong & Associates Limited
HOKLAS 318	Guangdong Construction Engineering Quality & Safety Testing Head Station Co., Ltd
HOKLAS 319	New Creation Calibration Service Limited
HOKLAS 873S	Hong Kong Center for Neurodegenerative Diseases Limited
HKCAS 033	Certification Tech Company Limited
HKIAS 040	Weldtech Inspection & Testing Limited
HKIAS 041	Quality Pro Test-Consult Limited

The 19 assessors who received certificates of appreciation:

Certificate of Appreciation	Name of Assessors
For more than 250 assessment days	Mr Danny CHEUNG Tze-leung Dr LEUNG Ka-sing Mr NG Kam-kwong
For more than 200 assessment days	Ir Steve CHEUNG Wai-yuen Mr Stephen FOK Wai-pang Dr KAM Tat-ting Ir YAN Yui-kuen
For more than 150 assessment days	Dr William HO Dan-dan Ir WONG Chun-fai
For more than 100 assessment days	Ms Bella HO Shiu-wun Ir KEUNG Wai-chung Ir Prof Dennis LEE Wah-kwan Mr LEUNG Kin-wa Mr Andy TAM Siu-wa Ir Samson WONG Kin-yan Ir Prof WONG Yuk-lung
For more than 50 assessment days	Dr CHAN Tsz-pun Ms Angela KWAN May-yee Dr LEE Hon-kit



Assessors who contributed more than 250 assessment man-days $\,$

Anti-corruption Workshops for HKAS Accredited Organisations

n the testing and certification industry, maintaining professional integrity is essential for credibility and competitiveness. Continuing its commitment to fostering a culture of integrity, the Hong Kong Accreditation Service (HKAS), together with the Hong Kong Council for Testing and Certification (HKCTC), collaborated once again with the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) to host two anti-corruption workshops for its accredited organisations on 10 February 2025.

This year's workshops focused on equipping participants with the knowledge and tools to address corruption risks effectively. The first workshop explored the theme of "Professional Integrity and Hong Kong's Anti-bribery Legislation." ICAC experts provided insights into the legal framework governing anti-bribery practices, emphasising the importance of compliance in maintaining professional standards.

The second workshop addressed "Professional Integrity and Managing Staff Integrity." Tailored for managers and supervisors, the session highlighted strategies for fostering a culture of integrity within organisations. Practical case studies and interactive discussions enabled participants to identify potential risks and implement preventive measures.

Over 300 participants from HKAS accredited organisations, including laboratories, certification bodies, and inspection bodies, actively engaged in the workshops. Most of them praised the sessions for their relevance, practicality, and the expertise of the ICAC facilitators. The workshops provided a valuable platform for sharing best practices and reinforcing the importance of integrity in the testing and certification sector.

These workshops have been instrumental in strengthening the long-term commitment of HKAS and its accredited organisations to professional ethics. Building on the success of this year's events,

HKAS plans to continue its collaboration with ICAC to deliver future initiatives promoting anti-corruption awareness and best practices.

By embedding integrity as a core value, HKAS is dedicated to upholding the highest standards of professionalism in Hong Kong's testing and certification industry, ensuring its continued credibility and competitiveness on the global stage.



ICAC workshop for frontline practitioners



ICAC workshop for managerial practitioners

Seminar for HKAS Accredited Calibration Laboratories and Testing Laboratories in Electrical and Mechanical Fields

KAS organised a sharing session on 28 March 2025 for practitioners of testing and calibration in electrical and mechanical fields. The event attracted over 80 participants, including representatives from testing and calibration laboratories, technical assessors and HKAS officers.

The seminar started with a sharing of recent updates to requirements for accredited laboratories in participating proficiency testing (PT) activities. Firstly, Mr Raymond LEUNG, HKAS Senior Accreditation Officer, gave a brief review of the updated requirements in the ILAC policy document ILAC P9:1/2024 "ILAC Policy for Proficiency Testing and/or Interlaboratory comparisons other than Proficiency Testing" and associated HKAS accreditation criteria for testing and calibration laboratories. He highlighted that testing and calibration laboratories should provide appropriate evidence of the competence of the PT providers or the organisations providing Interlaboratory comparisons (ILCs) other than PT in order to fulfil HKAS accreditation criteria. He then introduced the key updates in latest version of ISO/IEC 17043: 2023 through which the competence of a PT provider can be demonstrated. A few examples of previously identified deficiencies in organising ILC or ILC reporting were also presented as case studies. Secondly, Mr Wilfred SIN, HKAS Accreditation Officer, presented a new pre-assessment checklist guiding accredited laboratories and assessment teams to assess the competence of ILC organisers. The checklist consists of 9 items grouped under 5 categories, which are Personnel, ILC Plan, ILC Report, Other Records and Internal Audit. Mr SIN explained item in details and gave participants some useful points to note when filling or reviewing the checklist.

The second part of the session started with Mr Norman WEI, HKAS Accreditation Officer, who shared about the latest development of HKAS accreditation criteria for calibration laboratories. In view that there were no specific documented accreditation criteria for calibration laboratories on Structural, Resources and Process requirements, Mr WEI stated that a new HKAS Supplementary Criteria document will be developed.



Welcoming remarks by Mr Raymond LEUNG (left) and Mr Nick LEUNG (right)

He showed some proposed key criteria for accrediting calibration laboratories, which included requirements on staff competence, approved signatory, on-site calibrations, PT activities, etc. He noted that comments from Working Party for Calibration Services and accredited calibration laboratories would be sought at a later stage. Then, the presentation was passed to Mr Nick LEUNG, HKAS Senior Accreditation Officer, who led a discussion on differentiation between "calibration" and "verification" and explained HKAS' practices for their respective presentation within the scope of accreditation. Mr LEUNG also introduced a pre-assessment checklist for internal calibration activities and solicited the help of participants to complete this checklist properly, which would in turn facilitate the assessment team to accurately assess their capabilities.

In the final session, Mr Keith YEUNG, HKAS Accreditation Officer, shared commonly identified nonconformities for accredited laboratories in performing calibrations and tests in E&M Fields. Top five areas that have most nonconformities are equipment, test methods, personnel, technical records and measurement uncertainty. Specific examples of assessment findings under each area were presented and cross-referenced with requirements in ISO/IEC 17025: 2017.

According to completed questionnaires returned by participants, it was encouraging to note that this seminar met the needs and expectation of most participants. Some of them also recommended HKAS to organise more similar seminars in the future.

Technical Seminar on the Latest Changes in Construction Product Certification Schemes – Series 2

onventional control on building products in Hong Kong is by way of approval based on the submission of test certificates prior to construction and the subsequent testing of materials upon arrival of materials on site. Continuous monitoring of manufacture in upstream production is lacking.

Product certification of construction materials ensure their quality through independent third-party assessment. It enables upstream quality control from the start of the supply chain, facilitates better product traceability, and enhances production consistency. Product certification is implemented through periodic audit of factories in Mainland China and random sampling of materials in factories for testing in accredited laboratories in Hong Kong. The audits are carried out by accredited certification bodies in Hong Kong.

Recently, with the funding support of Innovation and Technology Commission, the Product Conformity Certification Schemes (PCCS), based on which certifications are conducted, has been rewritten in stages. The purpose is to enhance the "process control" aspects.

Hong Kong Accreditation Service (HKAS), in collaboration with the Association of Construction Materials Laboratories Ltd. (ACML), Hong Kong Association for Testing, Inspection and Certification Limited (HKTIC) and the Hong Kong Institute of Steel Construction (HKISC) organised a technical seminar on 30 May 2025 to discuss the latest changes in construction product certification schemes managed by the HKTIC or HKISC.

At the beginning of this seminar, Mr Norman LEE, the Chairman of the ACML gave a warm opening. Mr Norman LEE pointed out the importance of the inclusion of key 'process control' in construction product certification schemes. Next, the Chairman of HKTIC, Mr Joseph POON, and the Fire Group Chairman & Joining and Welding Group Chairman of HKISC, Ir Dr YUEN Sai-wing shared with the participants about the benefits of product certification and encouraged the relevant specifiers to consider placing product certification requirements in their contract requirements for better assurance of the products used.

The key speaker of the seminar was Ir Prof Joesph MAK Yiu-wing, the Principal Investigator of the Project. He introduced the latest changes, with focus on process control criteria in different product conformity certification

schemes including 'Fire Partitions', 'Aluminum Windows', 'Frictional Hinges', 'UPVC Pipes and Fittings' and 'Close-coupled Water Closet Suites'.

During the Q&A Session, the Senior Professional of Housing Department, Mr Ll Shu-lam, was also invited to share the valuable experience of Hong Kong Housing Authority in the successful adoption of product certification on building materials.

The seminar attracted about 110 participants, including professionals and practitioners from the testing and certification industry, users of conformity assessment services, and officials from some government departments [46 representatives from government works departments (i.e. Building Technology Research Institute (set up by Development Bureau), Buildings Department, Civil Engineering and Development Department, Architectural Services Department, Housing Authority and Water Supplies Department].

The participants were engaged in the interactive and fruitful discussions on matters relating to proposed qualifications of competent professionals in manufacturers and auditors of certification bodies. Positive feedback was received and most of the participants found the seminar practical and useful.

For more information about accreditation services in relation to construction materials testing, please contact our Senior Accreditation Officers, Ir Dr Fiona CHAN (tel: 2829 4870 / email: wychan@itc.gov.hk) or Mr Jeffrey LEUNG Tsz-tao (tel: 2829 4806 / email: ittleung@itc.gov.hk).



[From left to right: Ir Dr SW YUEN from HKISC, Ir Prof Joesph MAK (the Principal Investigator of the Project), Mr Norman LEE from ACML, Mr Joseph POON from HKTIC and Dr John HO from HKAS]

New HKAS Fee Schedules (Effective from 31 March 2025)

KAS would like to inform all conformity assessment bodies that all accreditation fees have increased by 4% effective from 31 March 2025. The decision was the result of the annual fee review, which had taken into consideration various factors such as the operating costs of HKAS, the current business environment, and the economic outlook. More information on the new fees is now available at the HKAS website.

Accreditation fees are classified as 'full-cost fees' and should be set at a level aiming at full cost recovery according to government's financial policy. HKAS will continue to review the fees regularly and notify all accredited organisations timely in case of any changes.



HKAS Introduces New Accreditation Service for Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) in Medical Testing

Introduction

Next-Generation Sequencing (NGS) is a high-throughput nucleic acids sequencing technology that allows the rapid and cost-effective analysis of large segments of genomes, including the entire human genomes. Unlike traditional Sanger sequencing which reads only one DNA fragment at a time, NGS processes millions of fragments simultaneously that enables comprehensive genetic analysis. The applications of NGS in medical testing include genetic disease diagnosis, genomic studies of cancer and infectious disease etc.

Elevating Standards in Genomic Medicine

HKAS has launched a new accreditation service for NGS under the 'Molecular Genetics' discipline of the 'Medical Testing' test category. This programme aims to enhance the quality and reliability of NGS-based clinical testing, ensuring compliance with the international standard ISO 15189:2022.

Accreditation Requirements for NGS

With the unwavering support and guidance from the HKAS Working Party on Medical Testing and Task Force on Medical Genetics, a set of new accreditation requirements specific for NGS has been developed. The requirements are included in the recently revised HOKLAS SC-30 (Issue No. 10), which is available from the HKAS website. Laboratories offering NGS service are encouraged to apply for accreditation. For more information about the scope of service and the accreditation process, please contact Dr Daria WONG (chwong@itc.gov.hk) or Dr Alex CHAN (yc.chan@itc.gov.hk).

An Update from ILAC & IAF

nternational Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) and International Accreditation Forum (IAF) jointly organised the online ILAC-IAF Mid-Term Meetings 2025 between 22-25 April 2025. An update of the Meetings is as follows:

ILAC

- Revision of ISO/IEC 17020:2012 Conformity assessment
 — Requirements for the operation of various types of
 bodies performing inspection is in progress in Working
 Group 31 (WG 31) of the ISO Committee on Conformity
 Assessment (ISO/CASCO). A Draft International
 Standard (DIS), viz. ISO/IEC DIS 17020, was circulated
 for comment by ISO Members and stakeholders in
 February May 2025. The comments collected are
 being reviewed by ISO/CASCO WG31. According to
 the latest work plan of WG31, a Final Draft International
 Standard (FDIS), viz. ISO/IEC FDIS 17020, is expected to
 be available for comment in October 2025. The
 revision is to be completed in early 2026.
- 2. ILAC P15 Application of ISO/IEC 17020:2012 for the Accreditation of Inspection Bodies has generally been considered in the current revision of ISO/IEC 17020 by ISO/CASCO WG31, its revision will be deferred until the publication of the standard.
- **3.** ISO Technical Committee 334 *Reference materials* is transforming various ISO Guides on reference materials to their corresponding ISO standards. The progress of the transformation is as follows:

ISO Guide No.	ISO Standard	Planned Publication Date
ISO Guide 30	ISO 33400	March 2026
ISO Guide 31	ISO 33401	Published
ISO Guide 33	ISO 33403	Published
ISO Guide 35	ISO 33405	Published
ISO Guide 80	ISO TR 33402	Published
WD/ISO Guide 85	ISO 33406	Published
WD/ISO Guide 86	ISO 33407	Published
WD/ISO Guide 87	ISO 33408	2026

- 4. The ILAC Accreditation Committee (AIC) is preparing a set of guidelines to be included in ILAC P10:07/2020 ILAC Policy on Metrological Traceability of Measurement Results as an informative appendix, namely Appendix B Guidelines for considerations when metrological traceability by Certified Reference Materials is not established through the BIPM KCDB, accredited Reference Material Producers nor the JCTLM (Informative). The guidelines address key aspects including (i) requiring laboratories to provide appropriate evidence for the competence of non-accredited RMP, suitability of the CRMs for their intended use and claimed metrological traceability; (ii) keeping of the relevant records, e.g. on traceability, stability, homogeneity, characterization, assignment of property values and uncertainty, contents of CRM certificates and labels; (iii) adding an option for assessment of the RMP by the laboratory; and (iv) addressing technical fields where certain CRMs are mandated by regulation.
- 5. In ILAC AIC, a Task Group (TG) would be formed to revise ILAC G8:09/2019 Guidelines on Decision Rules and Statements of Conformity. The intent is to review and correct possible errors of the existing version of ILAC G8 and further clarify the ambiguity of applying simple acceptance in making conformity decision without considering measurement uncertainty (i.e. the risk of false accept or false reject is unknown). The spirit of the document will remain unchanged, however a revision to improve clarity and emphasise the importance of considering uncertainty and its distribution in making conformity decision will be considered.

IAF

1. In IAF, there is a mechanism for various stakeholders including accreditation bodies, certification bodies and users of accredited services to submit papers to its Technical Committee (TC) for discussion. Most issues are clarification on application of accreditation standards and IAF mandatory documents. In this TC meeting, two papers were discussed. The first one was related to the classification of food category in accordance with ISO 22003-1. The second one was related to the interpretation of ISO/IEC 17029: 2019 on issues regarding providing consultancy and safeguarding impartiality.

- 2. The first paper was about classification of durian. It was discussed in IAF TC Working Group on Food (WG Food) with recommendation submitted to the IAF TC for consideration. The activities involved in collecting durians from the farm and transporting them to the factory for cleaning and ripening were considered not to transform the product from its original whole form. WG Food concluded that the final product remains a raw primary product, with minimal processing, and its form remains unchanged. The IAF TC agreed that the classification for the production of durians under Food Safety Management Systems falls under subcategory BIII (Pre-process handling of plant products).
- 3. For the second paper, the IAF TC submitted a request to ISO/CASCO for clarification on clause 5.3.9 of ISO/IEC 17029: 2019. According to the response from ISO/CASCO, the term 'validation/verification body' is used for the legal entity, or a defined part of a legal entity (see ISO/IEC 17029:2019, 5.1), to that the requirements specified by ISO/IEC 17029 apply. If the division of the validation/verification body is part of this legal entity, clients of this division would be considered as clients of the legal entity 'validation/verification body' and requirements for the body including not consulting and validation/verification for the same claim from the same client apply to this division.

Experience Sharing Seminar on Food Chemical Testing

n 5 December 2024, the Government Laboratory (GL) and HKAS jointly organised an Experience Sharing Seminar on Food Chemical Testing for our food testing laboratories.

In the first session of the seminar, two experts from the Government Laboratory, Dr KONG Pak-wing and Dr CHOI Lai-sheung, shared their experience in the testing of a veterinary drug residue, *viz.* chlorpromazine, and a food-poisoning related toxin, *viz.* bongkrekic acid, respectively.

The first speaker was Dr KONG Pak-wing and his presentation topic was 'Development and Validation of a Method for Veterinary Drug Residues Analysis in Animal-Derived Foods'. Dr KONG introduced an analytical method for the quantitative determination of chlorpromazine in animal-derived foods. Chlorpromazine belongs to the group of phenothiazine derivatives and is used as a tranquillizer in veterinary medicine. Studies have indicated possible concerns for genotoxicity, adverse effects on reproduction, and developmental neurotoxicity. In Mainland China, chlorpromazine is not allowed to be found in any animal-derived foods according to GB 31650-2019. In European Union, it is listed as a prohibited drug under Regulation (EU) No 37/2010. Dr KONG explained in detail the procedures for sample extraction, QuEChERS based cleanup of sample and LC-MS/MS analysis and presented method validation data. He also highlighted the additional cleanup steps for fat and high-fat samples. There was in-depth discussion on the test procedures, particularly regarding the matrices included in the method validation.



Opening of the Experience Sharing Seminar on Food Chemical Testing by Dr John HO

The second speaker was Dr CHOI Lai-sheung and her presentation topic was 'Testing of bongkrekic acid in foods'. The need for testing bongkrekic acid was due to several food poisoning cases in Taiwan, Indonesia and China. Dr CHOI explained in detail the procedures for sample homogenisation, QuEChERS based sample cleanup and LC-MS/MS analysis. She shared with audience the chromatographic results obtained from method validation. During the Q&A session, there was discussion on the influence of the isomer of bongkrekic acid and the purity of reference materials to the test.



Q&A Sessions by speakers of the seminar, Dr CHOI Lai-sheung (left) and Dr KONG Pak-wing (right)

In the second session of the seminar, HKAS officer Dr WONG Shuk-yee introduced updated requirements on equipment, quality control plans and proficiency testing (PT) activities in HOKLAS Supplementary Criteria No. 37. Another HKAS officer Dr KOO Chi-kin also presented common nonconformities identified in assessments of food testing laboratories. The nonconformities discussed were mainly technical in nature, relating to laboratory equipment, method validation and verification, handling of test items, evaluation of measurement uncertainty, QC requirements, etc.

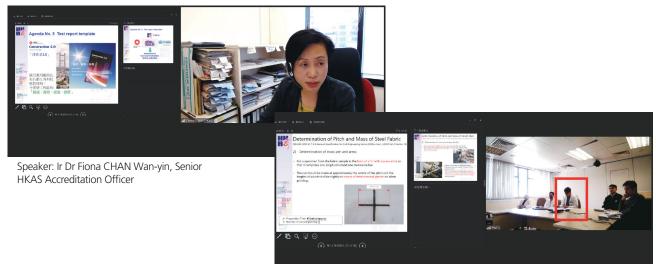
According to the returned feedback questionnaires, the seminar was well received by the participants. Most of them found the seminar very informative and useful. In view of the good responses, HKAS will continue to cooperate with GL to organise similar seminars in the future.

Sharing Session for Physical Tests of Steel Fabrics

t the beginning of the sharing session, Ir Dr Fiona CHAN Wan-yin, HKAS Senior Accreditation Officer, introduced the background information and the recent publication of relevant revisions of *General Specification of Civil Engineering Works (2020)*. She further presented the proposed scope presentation of HOKLAS accreditation in relation to the determination of pitch and mass of steel fabrics. Mr LI Hing-lung, Principal Technical Officer, Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) was also invited to share the testing practice of CEDD – Public Works Central Laboratory in determination of pitch and mass of steel fabrics.

About 60 participants attended the sharing session and most of them were from the accredited laboratories. Positive feedback was received and most of the participants found the sharing session very practical and useful.

For more information about accreditation services in physical tests of steel fabric, please contact our Senior Accreditation Officers, Ir Dr Fiona CHAN (tel: 2829 4870 / email: wychan@itc.gov.hk) or Mr Jeffrey LEUNG Tsz-tao (tel: 2829 4806 / email: jttleung@itc.gov.hk).



Guest Speaker: Mr Ll Hing-lung (middle), Principal Technical Officer, Civil Engineering and Development Department

New Accreditation Granted, Suspended and Terminated

New Accreditation Granted (1 January 2025 to 30 June 2025)

Seven laboratories have been accredited since the last issue of HKAS News. The name, registration number and accredited areas are summarised below. HKAS wishes to congratulate the CABs on their success in obtaining accreditation.

HOKLAS

Registration No.	Name of Conformity Assessment Body	Test Category Granted	Clientele
HOKLAS 316	Bioenergy Resources Research Centre Limited	Food - Chemical Composition Analysis	In-house laboratory
HOKLAS 315	Hong Kong Authentication Centre of Valuable Chinese Medicines Limited	Chinese Medicine - Microscopic Examination (HKCMMS)	Public
HOKLAS 873S	Hong Kong Center for Neurodegenerative Diseases Limited	Medical Testing - Haematology	Private physicians, medical centres, private and public hospitals and other medically related institutions
HOKLAS 317	Westwood Hong & Associates Limited	Construction Materials - Acoustic Test -General	Public
HOKLAS 318	Guangdong Construction Engineering Quality & Safety Testing Head Station Co., Ltd	Construction Materials - Curtain Wal	Public
HOKLAS 319	New Creation Calibration Service Limited	Calibration Services - Direct Current and Low Frequency Measurement & Time and Frequency Measurement	Public

• Suspended Accreditation

- Voluntary Suspension (as at 30 June 2025)

HOKLAS

Registration No.	Name of Conformity Assessment Body	Test Category Granted and Test Area	Effective Date (dd.mm.yyyy)
006	Sun Creation Engineering Limited - Calibration & Testing Laboratory	Calibration Services – All calibrations - Direct current and low frequency measurements - Length and Related Measurements - Mass and Related Measurements - Temperature Measurements	01.11.2024
068	China Dragon Inspection and Certification (H.K.) Ltd.	Chemical Testing - All tests Food - All tests Toys and Children's Products - All chemical tests Testing Required By The China Compulsory Certification System (CCC) - All tests	06.10.2024
073	TUV Rheinland Hong Kong Limited	Chemical Testing - Cadmium Analysis	21.06.2025
105	Eurofins MTS Consumer Product Testing Hong Kong Limited	Chemical Testing - Gas Produccts	30.10.2024
129	Eurofns MTS Consumer Pr oduct Testing Hong	Textiles and Garments - Care performance test	21.10.2024
152	China Gems Laboratory Limited	Chemical Testing -All tests	13.01.2025

Registration No.	Name of Conformity Assessment Body	Test Category Granted and Test Area	Effective Date (dd.mm.yyyy)
178	Hong Kong Baptist University – Chemical Testing Services	Food - All tests Pharmaceutical Products - All tests	15.06.2024
187	CAC (Hong Kong) Gems Laboratory Ltd.	Gemstone Testing - All tests	27.03.2025
227	Infrared Engineering & Consultants Limited	Concrete - Diagnostic Tests - All tests	09.05.2025
855S	FZ Public Health Laboratory Company Limited	Medical Testing - All tests	01.12.2024
856S	Medtimes Molecular Laboratory Limited	Medical Testing - All tests	01.08.2024
866S	New Life Laboratory Testing Limited	Medical Testing - All tests	01.01.2025

• Terminated Accreditation

- Voluntary Termination HOKLAS (1 January 2025 to 30 June 2025)

HOKLAS

Registration No.	Name of Conformity Assessment Body	Test Category and Test Area Terminated	Effective Date (dd.mm.yyyy)
083	Wellab Limited	Food - Metallic contaminants	18.06.2025
309	LNE-LP Asia Ltd.	Toys and Children's Products - All tests	31.03.2025
312	Viewbond Hong Kong Limited	Construction Materials - All tests	12.06.2025
806S	Diagnostix Medical Centre Ltd.	Medical Testing - Immunology	09.05.2025
827S	Prenetics Limited	Medical Testing - All tests	31.03.2025
835S	Canossa Hospital (Caritas) Management Company Limited - Clinical Laboratory	Medical Testing - Medical Genetics	28.02.2025
8435	UCN Diagnostic Services - Pathology Laboratory	Medical Testing - All tests	17.03.2025
851S	China Inspection Medical Laboratories Limited	Medical Testing - All tests	17.02.2025
853S	CareLink Bioscience Limited	Medical Testing - All tests	31.01.2025
863S	Evangel Hospital – Laboratory	Medical Testing - All tests	01.03.2025

New and Revised HKAS Documents

ince the last issue of HKAS News, a number of HKAS, HOKLAS, HKIAS and HKCAS documents have been revised or newly published. These are shown in the following table with their respective dates of implementation. The supplementary criteria are mandatory documents and HKAS accredited organisations are advised to study them carefully and adjust their management system and/or operation procedures accordingly on or before the implementation dates. These documents are available at our website at www.hkas.gov.hk.

Document Code	Published and Document	Version	Publication Date	Implementation Date
HKIAS 005	Application for Accreditation of an Inspection Body (IB) / Extension of Scope of Accreditation of an IB	Jan 2025	Jan-2025	Jan-2025
HOKLAS SC-17	HOKLAS Supplementary Criteria No. 17 "'Construction Materials' Test Category - Accreditation of Building Components and Related Tests"	Issue 7	Jan-2025	Jan-2025
HOKLAS SC-43	HOKLAS Supplementary Criteria No. 43 '"Chinese Medicine" and "Food"- Species Identification by DNA Sequencing for Authentication Purpose'	Issue 6	Jan-2025	Jan-2025
HKIAS 006	Schedule of Accreditation Fees for Inspection Bodies within the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (with effect from 05 January 2024)	Feb 2025	Feb 2025	Feb 2025
HOKLAS SC-05	HOKLAS Supplementary Criteria No. 5 " 'Environmental Testing' Test Category - Asbestos Sampling and Testing"	Issue 9	Feb 2025	Feb 2025
HOKLAS SC-31	HOKLAS Supplementary Criteria No. 31 'Physical and Mechanical Testing' Test Category – Gemstone Testing to Standard Methods for Testing Diamond for Hong Kong (HKSM/DT-2008)	Issue 7	Feb 2025	Feb 2025
HKCAS 006	Schedule of Fees for Accreditation of Certification Bodies and Validation / Verification Bodies within the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (with effect from 05 January 2024)	Feb 2025	Feb 2025	Mar-2025
HOKLAS 006	Schedule of Accreditation Fees for Organisations within the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (with effect from 05 January 2024)	Feb 2025	Feb 2025	Mar-2025
HOKLAS 013	Schedule of Accreditation Fees for Organisations outside of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (with effect from 05 January 2024)	Feb 2025	Feb 2025	Mar-2025
HOKLAS 022:2017	Technical Criteria for Accreditation of Reference Material Producers (ISO 17034:2016, General requirements for the competence of reference material producers, MOD) (Abridged Version)	Armend 3	Mar-2025	Mar-2025
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Test Category Programme and Organiser		Status
	APAC Profciency Testing Programme –	
Chemical Testing	Toxic Elements in Cosmetic Cream (APAC T114)	One laboratory participated
	Organised by Chemical Metrology Laboratory (CML) of the Health Sciences Authority (HSA)	participated