

MRMC Chair (Bernhard Thies) Assessment on Report from: IPQ

Approved by MRMC at: 03.09.2024

Name: IPQ INSTITUTO PORTUGUÊS DA QUALIDADE Portuguese Institute for Quality
Date: 02.05.2024
Assessment: Self Assessment in combination with EN ISO 9001

A. Overall assessment on the Report (ASSESSMENT ON THE CONTENT OF THE REPORT)

A1 CONTENT	Excellent	Good	Average	Fair	Low
Coherence of findings and information in the report	X				
A2 FORM	X				
Overall quality of the drafting of the report (e.g. Clarity of information)					

Chair's comments (including good practices if applicable): 35 sectors are **managed directly** by the NSB/NC, 165 TC's are **managed by 54 Sectorial Standardization Bodies** (ONS) qualified and coordinated by IPQ under individual protocols following the Portuguese Rules for Portuguese Standardization (RPNP) and CEN-CENELEC membership criteria.

IPQ awards a **yearly Award** to the Technical Commission, Promotion of groups on the **whatsapp platform**, voluntary standards **Guidance for policy makers**

B. Overview per criterion:

B1. Transparency. Elements that:	<u>Comments</u>
Have been met in full	X
Have been met with Comment	
Have been met with Concern	
Result in Non-Conformity	

B2. (Openness and Sustainable Development. <i>Elements that:</i>	<u>Comments</u>
Have been met in full	X
Have been met with Comment	
Have been met with Concern	
Result in Non-Conformity	

B3. Impartiality and consensus. <i>Elements that:</i>	<u>Comments</u>
Have been met in full	X
Have been met with Comment	
Have been met with Concern	
Result in Non-Conformity	

B4. Effectiveness and relevance. <i>Elements that:</i>	<u>Comments</u>
Have been met in full	X
Have been met with Comment	
Have been met with Concern	
Result in Non-Conformity	

B5. Coherence. Elements that:	<u>Comments</u>
Have been met in full	X
Have been met with Comment	
Have been met with Concern	
Result in Non-Conformity	

B6. Stability and viability. Elements that:	<u>Comments</u>
All elements met in full	X
Have been met with Comment	
Have been met with Concern	
Result in Non-Conformity	

If relevant, Chair's comments on improvement made compared with the result of the previous assessment –

C: MRMC Chair assessment conclusion

Special Organisation:

- IPQ is a Public Institute, integrated into the indirect administration of the State (Ministry of Economy), endowed with administrative, estate and financial autonomy.
- IPQ is the Portuguese NSB/NC, the National Metrology Institution, the Coordinator of the Portuguese System for Quality (SPQ) and the notification point in the scope of Directive CE 98/34.
- IPQ represents Portugal in "Committee on Standards" and "Expert Group on the Internal Market for Products on Accreditation and Conformity Assessment".

Based on the evidence I could identify in the Assessment Report of IPQ I can reasonably conclude that this organization has achieved the level: Full conformity

Date: 04.07.2024

The MRMC Chair
Bernhard Trötschel



[GRADE – see grading scale below]

GRADE	SHORT DEFINITION
Full conformity	Meeting all obligations in full. Flawless in terms of attention to specifics and showing original insight.
Conformity with comments	Meeting all obligations, but lacks specifics evidence. Attention to specific requirements with room for improvement is needed. Action Plan for further development near flawless is needed.
Conformity with Concern	Meeting all obligations at present but attention to specific requirements is required as the member's practice may develop into a non-conformity. Action Plan to address the concern is needed.
Low Non-Conformity	Not meeting a membership requirement under one or more criteria. An immediate corrective action is needed and evidence of its implementation is provided to the MRMC. The response shall include an analysis of root cause and extent and explanation of remedial and corrective actions and objective evidence of implementation.
Medium or Serious Non-Conformity	Same as above. The MRMC may qualify at its own discretion that several low rated non-conformities may amount to a Medium or Serious non-conformity as it may indicate a systemic problem.