OIC Global Halal Quality Infrastructure is a structure which describes the conformity assessment and accreditation of halal related activities and establishes rules to harmonize procedures and practices globally based on the international implementations to achieve full mutual recognition of halal certification and accreditation activities and issuing halal mark based on OIC/SMIIC standards.
OIC Stakeholders Forum on Unified Halal Food Standards and Procedures, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia on 09-10 December 2015

✓ (ii) Appreciated SMIIC activities in developing harmonized Halal Standard, and encouraged SMIIC to consolidate its role in developing harmonized Islamic Halal Standard in all fields;

✓ (iii) Urged all OIC Member States to actively participate in SMIIC technical committees;

✓ (v) Listened to the activities of SMIIC Accreditation Committee as well as a proposal to create an independent body outside SMIIC to handle Halal accreditation processes and activities. It discussed a platform to promote mutual recognition of Halal certificates among accreditation bodies in OIC member states, issue of coordination with non-OIC member states, as well as ensuring the integrity and competency of Halal accreditation and certification processes;

✓ (vi) Expressed the need to move faster in the accreditation and Certification processes according to international practices that will place emphasis on the overall interests of Muslims in both majority and minority Muslim countries;

✓ (vii) Emphasized that the mutual recognition of Halal certificate could be a possible solution to enable and increase exchange of the Halal products between OIC member states;

✓ (ix) Also emphasized the importance of unified Halal accreditation scheme based on the OIC/SMIIC Standards.
REFERENCES OF THE OIC GLOBAL HALAL QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE

✓ OIC CFM Resolutions

✓ Invites OIC Member States to adopt and use the OIC/SMIIC Standards as their national standards in order to aid the harmonization of standards and eliminate the technical barriers to trade among OIC Member States. (OIC/CFM-46/2019/ECO/RES/FINAL)

✓ SMIIC Board of Directors Resolutions, Item 23 of the Minutes of 18th SMIIC Board of Directors Meeting, April 2019

✓ f) Members of the Board of Directors agreed on the use of the OIC/SMIIC standards by any structure working in the domain of halal accreditation.
✓ g) Based on the OIC resolutions, Members of the Board of Directors agreed that duplication of efforts should be avoided and there should be one global structure for all.
✓ h) Taking into account the expertise of national accreditation bodies of SMIIC Member States in their field of activity, Members of the Board of Directors agreed that said proposals should be discussed at SMIIC AC level with an open ended meeting with the participation of all interested Member States in addition to the members of the Management of SMIIC AC.
OBJECTIVES OF THE OIC GLOBAL HALAL QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE

1) Contribute in implementation of a clear and transparent system of halal products (product/service/process) in accordance with Islamic Law and Rules and technical requirements, achieve the objectives of Islamic unity, and considering international practices.
   - Unify the origin of jurisprudential legislation by reflecting Shari'a fatwas during the development of technical specifications and standard of products.
   - Standardize the essential technical requirements to be met in the products under the system.
   - Unify the technical requirements and professional competence that should be provided in Halal certification bodies.
   - Unify the technical requirements and professional competence that should be provided in Halal Accreditation bodies.
   - Establish a designated structure for the mutual recognition among all the Halal accreditation bodies according to the OIC/SMIIC standards.

2) Provide new opportunities in specific fields where innovation and knowledge development are available.

3) Open up new economic fields to strengthen the services sector in the Islamic world.
**DESIGNATED STRUCTURE**

**Peer Evaluation**
- Develop additional documents regarding MLA/MRA and peer evaluation to implement the requirements of OIC/SMIIC standards;
- Perform peer-assessments of ABs and regional organizations;
- Coordinate with legislators to approve the results of conformity assessments.

**OIC Member States**

Issue notification based on registration and accreditation

**Accreditation Bodies**

Perform accreditation assessment according to the requirements of OIC/SMIIC standards

**Conformity Assessment Bodies**

Apply for notification and accreditation from Member States wishing to operate in their markets.

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**ELEMENTS OF OIC GLOBAL HALAL QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE**

- Develop OIC/SMIIC standards

**Requirements for Halal Accreditation Bodies**

Accrediting Halal Conformity Assessment Bodies

Specifies requirements for the competence, consistent operation and impartiality of accreditation bodies

**Requirements for Bodies Providing Halal Certification**

Specifies the rules that the halal certification bodies shall satisfy and the requirements for the execution of halal certification activities.

**Producers, Manufacturers and Service Providers**

OIC/SMIIC standards related to products (product/service/process)

**Other OIC/SMIIC standards**

**SMIIC/CCA**

**OIC/SMIIC 3:2019**

**OIC/SMIIC 2:2019**

**OIC/SMIIC 1:2019**

**OIC/SMIIC 4:2018**
Develop OIC/SMIIC standards

Mutual Recognition

• Develop additional documents regarding MLA/MRA and peer evaluation to implement the requirements of OIC/SMIIC standards;
• Perform peer-assessments of ABs and regional organizations;
• Coordinate with legislators to approve the results of conformity assessments.

Notification, accreditation and monitoring

Conformity Assessment Bodies Notification

CB’s Accreditation

Monitor Products and Manufacturers

Role of Member States:

Develop OIC/SMIIC standards

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Accrediting Halal Conformity Assessment Bodies
Specifies requirements for the competence, consistent operation and impartiality of accreditation bodies

Role of Designated Structure:

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Role of:

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BENEFITS OF THE OIC GLOBAL HALAL QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE

• Focus on the top of the pyramid of conformity assessment procedures which will ensure the achievement of a single system on halal accreditation;

• Take advantage of existing national and regional experiences as well as initiatives and efforts of the Standards and Metrology Institute for the Islamic Countries (SMIIC);

• The existence of strong and efficient national infrastructure for certification and accreditation which will ensure the successful launch of the system;

• Ensure representation of various stakeholders (accreditation bodies, conformity assessment bodies, legislators, consumers, ...);

• Ensure coordination between the technical and legal aspects in all operations through (committees) of specialists in the Islamic Law and Rules within the structure of the system to determine the queries and advisory opinions in accordance with Islamic Law and Rules and cooperation with professionals to translate them into technical procedures and requirements;

• Facilitate intra-OIC Trade between Member States;

• Building Muslims trust and credibility in world activities of religious nature when the system is under the umbrella of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), and is based on OIC/SMIIC standards;

• Provide a mechanism for consensus on accreditation requirements and Halal certificates;

• Establish relationship with regional/international accreditation organizations, if needed;