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WORKSHOP ON ISO/IEC 17025:2017 - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE COMPETENCE OF TESTING AND CALIBRATION LABORATORIES BRUNEI DARUSSALAM STANDARDS AND ACCREDITATION CENTRE (BDSAC)

**The Centrepont Hotel
Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam
5th – 7th November 2024**

1. The Brunei Darussalam Standards and Accreditation Centre (BDSAC), Ministry of Finance and Economy in collaboration with the Department of Standard Malaysia (DSM), Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry of Malaysia (MITI) successfully concluded a workshop on ISO/IEC 17025:2017 - General Requirements for the Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories from 5th to 7th November 2024 at The Centrepont Hotel, Bandar Seri Begawan.
2. The workshop was held in conjunction with the World Accreditation Day 2024 and as part of the Centre's efforts to promote a quality culture to local testing and calibration laboratories by implementing a laboratory quality management system, mainly the ISO/IEC 17025:2017. The World Accreditation Day, celebrated every 6th June is a global initiative established by the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) and the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) to promote the value of accreditation. This year's theme, "Accreditation: Empowering Tomorrow and Shaping the Future", highlights accreditation's role in shaping technological innovation, digital transformation, and sustainable development.
3. Present to officiate the workshop was Yang Mulia Dk Hjh Nadiah Annasyitah binti Pg DP Haji Abu Bakar, Acting Director of the Brunei Darussalam Standards and Accreditation Centre (BDSAC), Ministry of Finance and Economy. In her opening speech, Yang Mulia Dk Hjh Nadiah emphasized the importance of this workshop in strengthening the understanding of the ISO/IEC 17025:2017 standard, which is crucial to ensure laboratories operate competently. Accreditation to the standard signifies a laboratory's strong commitment to technical competence and dedication to show and deliver accurate and reliable results to clients and stakeholders.

4. Yang Mulia Awang Wan Rukiman Wan Mamat, Director of Accreditation, DSM, facilitated the workshop as the expert trainer. He provided a comprehensive understanding of PBD ISO/IEC 17025:2017 with detailed emphasis on each clause of the standard. Additionally, this workshop also discusses on the practical aspects such as non-conformity, document control, internal audits, risk-based thinking, measurement uncertainty, management review and continuous improvements which will help enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the lab's operation.
5. The three (3) days workshop was attended by thirty (30) participants, comprising representatives from conformity assessment bodies (CAB) registered with BDSAC, which included government and private agencies and higher education institutions. The workshop concluded with the presentation of certificates to the participants.
6. BDSAC remains committed to promoting a culture of quality and excellence within the local testing and calibration laboratory community. By organizing such workshops, BDSAC aims to empower laboratories to achieve and maintain the highest standards of technical competence.

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KEMENTERIAN KEWANGAN DAN EKONOMI

KENYATAAN AKHBAR

**BENGKEL *ISO/IEC 17025:2017 - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS*
FOR THE COMPETENCE OF TESTING AND CALIBRATION LABORATORIES
PUSAT STANDARD DAN AKREDITASI BRUNEI DARUSSALAM (PSABD)
The Centrepoint Hotel,
Bandar Seri Begawan, Negara Brunei Darussalam
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1. Pusat Standard dan Akreditasi Brunei Darussalam (PSABD), Kementerian Kewangan dan Ekonomi dengan kerjasama dua hala bersama Jabatan Standard Malaysia (JSM), Kementerian Pelaburan, Perdagangan dan Industri Malaysia (MITI) telah mengadakan Bengkel *ISO/IEC 17025:2017- General Requirements for the Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories* yang diadakan pada 5hb hingga 7hb November 2024 bertempat di The Centrepoint Hotel, Bandar Seri Begawan.
2. Bengkel dilaksanakan bersempena dengan Hari Akreditasi Sedunia 2024 dan ianya merupakan salah satu usaha Pusat ini dalam mempromosikan budaya kerja berkualiti bagi makmal-makmal ujian dan kalibrasi tempatan dengan melaksanakan sistem pengurusan kualiti makmal berlandaskan *ISO/IEC 17025:2017*. Hari Akreditasi Sedunia yang disambut pada setiap 6^{hb} Jun adalah sebuah inisiatif global yang diterajui oleh *The International Accreditation Forum (IAF)* dan *International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC)* untuk mempromosikan kepentingan akreditasi. Tema tahun ini, "Akreditasi: Memperkasakan Hari Esok dan Membentuk Masa Depan," memperlihatkan pentingnya peranan akreditasi dalam inovasi teknologi, transformasi digital, dan pembangunan yang mampan.
3. Turut hadir bagi merasmikan bengkel tersebut adalah Yang Mulia Dk Hj Nadiyah Annasyitah binti Pg DP Haji Abu Bakar, Pemangku Pengarah Pusat Standard dan Akreditasi Brunei Darussalam (PSABD), Kementerian Kewangan dan Ekonomi. Dalam ucapan alu-aluannya, Yang Mulia Dk Hj Nadiyah menekankan kepentingan bengkel ini dalam memperkukuhkan pemahaman mengenai Standard *ISO/IEC 17025:2017* bagi memastikan makmal beroperasi secara cekap dan kompeten. Akreditasi juga mencerminkan komitmen makmal memenuhi kecekapan teknikal dalam menghasilkan keputusan makmal yang tepat kepada pelanggan dan pihak berkepentingan.

4. Yang Mulia Tuan Wan Rukiman Wan Mamat, Pengarah Akreditasi, JSM, selaku fasilitator bengkel menerangkan mengenai PBD ISO/IEC 17025:2017 dengan penekanan terperinci pada setiap klausa standard tersebut. Bengkel turut membincangkan aspek praktikal seperti ketaksamaan, kawalan dokumen, audit dalaman, penilaian risiko, ketidakpastian pengukuran, semakan pengurusan, dan penambahbaikan berterusan yang akan membantu meningkatkan kerberkesanan dan kecekapan dalam perkhidmatan penilaian konfomiti makmal.
5. Bengkel tiga (3) hari tersebut telah dihadiri oleh tiga puluh (30) peserta wakil-wakil daripada badan-badan penilaian konformiti (CAB) yang berdaftar di PSABD, yang terdiri daripada jabatan-jabatan kerajaan, institusi pengajian tinggi, dan syarikat-syarikat swasta. Bengkel diakhiri dengan penyampaian sijil penyertaan kepada para peserta yang hadir.
6. PSABD kekal komited untuk mempromosikan budaya kualiti dan kecemerlangan dalam komuniti makmal ujian dan kalibrasi tempatan. Dengan menganjurkan bengkel sedemikian, PSABD berhasrat untuk memperkasakan makmal-makmal di NBD untuk mencapai dan mengekalkan piawai kecekapan teknikal tertinggi.

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