



## Webinar - Accreditation Vs Certification in Conformity Assessment

Thursday, September 29th, 2022 2:00-3:00 pm EDT

### Accreditation vs Certification in Conformity Assessment

This Webinar is intended for anyone who wants to understand the key differences between Accreditation and Certification.

“Accreditation” and “Certification” are oftentimes used synonymously, and while related and equally important in the conformity assessment system, the two terms mean quite different things. Using the terms appropriately, allows for better understanding of conformity assessment and the role that each term plays.

- Accreditation is a third-party attestation of the competence of an entity to specified requirements (e.g., international standards). It is used to confirm an entity has the appropriate competence and management system to properly perform conformity assessment activities, such as certification of organizations, persons, systems, processes, or products within a defined scope
- Certification demonstrates that a product, service, system, process, or person meets (conforms to) specified requirements (e.g., international standards), confirmed by a third-party entity.

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