# *Joint ISO-ILAC-IAF Communique on the Management Systems Requirements of ISO/IEC 17025, General Requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories*

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