

# Verifiers - GHG, EMAS

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 [Accreditation Scheme for the Conformity Assessment of GHG Verification and Validation Bodies](#) 

 [LATAK regulation for selection of technical areas for the witnessing of management system certification bodies and EMAS environmental verifiers \(LATAK-D.019-10/05.2022\)](#) 

## General documents, including Application

Accreditation of verifiers of greenhouse gas (GHG) reports and tonne-kilometer reports

Pursuant to COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No. 600/2012 of 21 June 2012 on the verification of greenhouse gas emission reports and tonne-kilometre reports and the accreditation of verifiers pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC and taking into consideration requirements of Cabinet Regulations No. 769 of November 13 2012 "Regulations on participation of stationary technologic equipment in the trade system of emission quotas of the European Union" and of Cabinet Regulations No. 366 of July 9 2013 "Regulations on participation of aviation activities in the trade system of emission quotas of the European Union", greenhouse gas emission and tonne-kilometer verifier is a competent, independent conformity assessment body, which has obtained accreditation in a member state of the European Union. Accreditation is conducted in accordance with COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No. 600/2012 of 21 June 2012 on the verification of greenhouse gas emission reports and tonne-kilometre reports and the accreditation of verifiers and REGULATION (EC) No. 765/2008 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 9 July 2008 setting out the requirements for accreditation and market surveillance relating to the marketing of products.

According to requirements of the above-mentioned normative enactments Latvian National Accreditation Bureau state agency. LATAK conducts conformity assessment of GHG verifiers and their annual surveillance.

The following criteria are applied in the process of conformity assessment of GHG verifiers:

LVS EN ISO 14065:2013 "Greenhouse gases. Requirements for greenhouse gas validation and verification bodies for use in accreditation or other forms of recognition"

LVS EN ISO 14064-3:2012 "Greenhouse gases. Part 3: Specification with guidance for the validation and verification of greenhouse gas assertions"

ISO 14066 "Greenhouse gases – Competence requirements for greenhouse gas validation teams and verification teams"

COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No. 600/2012 of 21 June 2012 on the verification of greenhouse gas emission reports and tonne-kilometre reports and the accreditation of verifiers pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC

COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No. 601/2012 of 21 June 2012 on the monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council



ES guidelines, EA and IAF documents, as well as other applicable normative enactments

LATAK has developed GHG verifier accreditation procedure

 [Accreditation of greenhouse gas \(GHG\) verifiers \(LATAK\\_D.046\\_02/03.2018\)](#) 

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Conformity assessment of Environment verifiers (EMAS)

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The objective of Environment Management and Audit System (EMAS), as the instrument of significant, continuous consumption and production and continuous industry policy, is to promote consistent improvement of organization achievement in the field of environment, by creating and implementing environment management systems in the organizations, systematically, objectively and regularly assessing results of operations of such systems, providing information on achievements in the area of environment, and engaging in an open dialogue with the public and other stakeholders, actively involving employees of the organizations in development of environment management systems and providing appropriate training.

REGULATION (EC) No 1221/2009 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of November 25 2009 on the voluntary participation by organizations in a Community eco-management and audit scheme (EMAS), repealing Regulation (EC) No. 761/2001 and Commission Decisions 2001/681/EC and 2006/193/EC (EMAS Regulation) establishes that environment verifier is a conformity assessment body, which has obtained accreditation.

Pursuant to Environment Protection Law, the elements required for registration in the environment management and audit system are inspected and approved by an accredited environment verifier. Latvian National Accreditation Bureau LATAK state agency. in the order set forth by the Cabinet of Ministers conducts accreditation of environment verifiers and monitors their activities, as well as establishes and maintains register of environment verifiers.

Any individual or legal entity may become an environment verifier, if such entity possesses corresponding qualification in the area of environment and knowledge on EMAS, which is verified by an accreditation certificate. Environment verifier must be independent; it may not be related to the organization to be audited.

LVS EN ISO/IEC 17011 and LVS EN ISO/IEC 17021 standard, EMAS Regulation, Guidelines of Forum of Accreditation and Licensing Bodies (FALB) set forth in the Article 30 of EMAS Regulation, the applicable EA and IAF documents, as well as other applicable normative enactments are applied in the assessment process of environment verifiers in Latvian National accreditation system.

LATAK has developed the following documents for environment verifiers:

Accreditation procedure for environment management and audit system (EMAS) verifiers

 [Procedure for Accreditation of the Eco-Management and Audit Scheme \(EMAS\) Verifiers \(LATAK-D.039-07/04.2018\)](#) 

Surveillance procedure for environment management and audit system (EMAS) verifiers accredited in another member state of the European Union

 [Surveillance Procedure of the EMAS verifier accredited in another EU Member state \(LATAK-D.042-04/04.2018\)](#) 

Documents applicable in accreditation of environment management and e\audit system (EMAS) verifiers D.044

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 [FALB Decision on EU 2017\\_1505](#)   
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