

IEMA AND RABQSA ANNOUNCE BI-LATERAL AGREEMENT

Lincoln, UK and Milwaukee, USA; the Institute of Environmental Management & Assessment (IEMA) and RABQSA International, Inc. (RABQSA) today announce the signing of a bilateral agreement that allows the mutual recognition of each others' training course certifications.

Auditors now have the option of using the same training provider certificate, certified by either body, to apply for recognition in either organization's environmental certification schemes / auditor register.

Both organizations have identified environmental training course certification products that are mutually acceptable. Both RABQSA training provider certification schemes (Training Course Certification and TPECS) are included in the Agreement. The IEMA Approved Introduction to Environmental Management Systems and the Advanced EMS Auditor courses are included. The list of recognized products has been added formally to a register that is publicly available.

Claire Lea, IEMA Director of Membership Services at the IEMA says that partnerships between such organisations are of great importance to practitioners.

"The IEMA recognises the need to work with key partners, such as RABQSA, to support the development of environmental professionals internationally. This recognition agreement provides opportunities for auditors to be registered/certified by the IEMA and RABQSA."

"We are very pleased by the opportunities this provides both our training provider customers and our personnel certification customers," stated Shanya Salamaca, RABQSA Director of Certification Services. "We continually look for ways to address our customers' desire for added value in certification, and we feel that this recognition is in direct response to their needs."

More information on this recognition can be obtained by contacting the IEMA at info@iema.net OR RABQSA at info@rabqsa.com.

Notes

1. The IEMA is working with its 12,000 members worldwide to improve environmental practice and performance.
2. RABQSA creates value for you and your customers. We design, develop, and deliver personnel and training certification services relevant to your industry.

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