

## OPEN LETTER

To whom it may concern!

### Part 1 – Connection and equivalence between international management system standards and their national equivalents.

Further to the harmonisation and equivalence of international ISO standards to their national equivalents in different countries, we would like to clarify the corresponding documents to some key standards. These equivalents are to be adopted by the national standardisation bodies and they ensure that the relevant national standards are identical to the international ones while maintaining the same requirements and guidelines.

Below you can find a list of some of the main ISO standards and their national equivalents in Bulgaria (BDS), Italy (UNI), Germany (DIN) and Romania (SR):

1. **ISO 9001:2015** – Quality Management Systems
  - ✓ BDS EN ISO 9001:2015 (Bulgaria)
  - ✓ UNI EN ISO 9001:2015 (Italy)
  - ✓ DIN EN ISO 9001:2015 (Germany)
  - ✓ SR EN ISO 9001:2015 (Romania)
2. **ISO 14001:2015** – Environmental Management Systems
  - ✓ BDS EN ISO 14001:2015 (Bulgaria)
  - ✓ UNI EN ISO 14001:2015 (Italy)
  - ✓ DIN EN ISO 14001:2015 (Germany)
  - ✓ SR EN ISO 14001:2015 (Romania)
3. **ISO 45001:2018** – Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems
  - ✓ BDS EN ISO 45001:2023 (Bulgaria)
  - ✓ UNI ISO 45001:2023 (Italy)
  - ✓ DIN ISO 45001:2023 (Germany)
  - ✓ SR ISO 45001:2023 (Romania)
4. **ISO 22000:2018** – Food Safety Management Systems
  - ✓ BDS EN ISO 22000:2018 (Bulgaria)
  - ✓ UNI EN ISO 22000:2018 (Italy)
  - ✓ DIN EN ISO 22000:2018 (Germany)
  - ✓ SR EN ISO 22000:2019 (Romania)

5. **ISO/IEC 27001:2022** – Information Security Management Systems

- ✓ BDS ISO/IEC 27001:2023 (Bulgaria)
- ✓ UNI CEI EN ISO/IEC 27001:2024 (Italy)
- ✓ DIN EN ISO/IEC 27001:2024 (Germany)
- ✓ SR EN ISO/IEC 27001:2023 (Romania)

6. **ISO 50001:2018** – Energy Management Systems

- ✓ BDS EN ISO 50001:2018 (Bulgaria)
- ✓ UNI CEI EN ISO 50001:2018 (Italy)
- ✓ DIN EN ISO 50001:2018 (Germany)
- ✓ SR EN ISO 50001:2019 (Romania)

7. **ISO 39001:2012** – Road Safety Management Systems

- ✓ BDS ISO 39001:2014 (Bulgaria)
- ✓ UNI ISO 39001:2016 (Italy)
- ✓ DIN ISO 39001:2013 (Germany)
- ✓ SR ISO 39001:2018 (Romania)

These standards, although having a national designation, maintain full compliance with the relevant original international ISO standard. The aim of such harmonisation is to facilitate businesses and organizations to implement unified management systems that comply with international best practices.

The difference in the year indicated after the colon is mostly due to the later year of adoption of the relevant international standard as a national one.

**Part 2 – Keeping the main version in case of minor changes (Amd.)**

All of the above standards have a “minor” change (Amendment), which is most commonly referred to as (for example) ISO 9001:2015/Amd 1:2024. The main standard, along with the amendment, is indicated as ISO 9001:2015 + Amd 1:2024.

What we need to know is that when it comes to certificates of conformity, it is not accustomed to indicate such amendments.

This means that instead of indicating ISO 9001: 2015 + Amd 1:2024, the standard is to be indicated as ISO 9001:2015 only.

Kind regards,  
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