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## INTRODUCTION

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This report provides a summary of the activities that have been carried out by SMIIIC for the period of 01 January – 31 December 2022 and is submitted by the SMIIIC General Secretariat.

SMIIIC is a member focused intergovernmental organization, who strives to achieve the goals and objectives set out in its internal documents and strategic plan.

COVID-19 Pandemic continued to shadow the first half of 2022, whilst the other half was a relief period where we could go back to normal and conduct physical meetings.

The number of activities increased dramatically during 2022, with the valuable contribution of all our stakeholders SMIIIC completed the first 2 yearly implementation plan of its 10 yearly SMIIIC Strategic Plan 2021-2030. We welcomed two new members: Azerbaijan and Tajikistan bringing the number of members to 47.

Simultaneously, 39 capacity building trainings in the field of metrology have been held. SMIIIC has conducted 9 training programs on the OIC/SMIIIC Halal Standards in order to aid the common use of standards within the OIC region. SMIIIC is conducting a series of trainings focusing on the knowledge and understanding of the OIC/SMIIIC standards, requirements, and implementation. Simultaneously, the standards development trainings are also conducted to enhance technical committee work. SMIIIC project “Promotion of OIC/SMIIIC Halal Standards use in the Asian and Arab Region” project with No: 2021-SMIIIC-926 has been final listed under the COMCEC Project Funding and completed.

SMIIIC has continued to work on the development of the much-needed common standards in the OIC and has to date published 53 (fifty-three) OIC/SMIIIC Standards, 20 (twenty) of them on halal issues.

## OUR MEMBERS

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### SMIIIC Family is growing

Our SMIIIC family has continued to grow this year as well. 2 new members, Republic of Azerbaijan and Tajikistan joined the SMIIIC family, as an intergovernmental organization, for which one of its main objectives is to support its members, takes great pride in its ever-growing number of members. During the 24<sup>th</sup> SMIIIC Board of Directors (BOD) meeting, their SMIIIC membership application was approved and now with its 47 (forty-seven) members including 3 observers from 4 different continents, SMIIIC will constantly strive to play a vital role in its field of activities.

# OUR GOVERNANCE ORGANS

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## General Assembly

*The General Assembly is the supreme decision-making organ of the SMIIC and composed of the Member States.*

The SMIIC General Assembly is a yearly gathering of SMIIC where all our members come together for an annual meeting to discuss and decide on resolutions, reports, and projects.

The 17<sup>th</sup> SMIIC General Assembly (GA) Meeting was held in İstanbul, Republic of Türkiye on 22 November 2022. The meeting was attended by representatives from 30 SMIIC Member States and 3 Observer States as well as the representatives from the Republic of Azerbaijan and Republic of Tajikistan as the new SMIIC Member States, representatives of Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), GCC Standardization Organization (GSO) and International Organization for Standardization (ISO) as observers.

During the working session, the Secretary General briefed the General Assembly on the latest developments and activities of SMIIC as well as summarizing the activities of SMIIC Councils, Technical Committees, Strategic Plan implementation and other important activities conducted since the 16<sup>th</sup> SMIIC General Assembly Meeting. He also highlighted important issues that were discussed during the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> SMIIC Board of Directors Meetings.

Furthermore, technical activities of the Institute were reported by the Chairs of the SMIIC Councils. The General Assembly approved the report of external financial auditor and the SMIIC Budget 2023 as well as the Annual Mandatory Contribution of SMIIC Member States to 2023 SMIIC Budget.

## Board of Directors

*The Board of Directors of the SMIIC is the organ entrusted with the supervision of the execution of the programs, plans and activities of the Institute. The Board of Directors comprises of thirteen members, including the host country as the permanent member, elected by the General Assembly, on the basis of an equitable geographic distribution, for a term of three years.*

23<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the SMIIC Board of Directors (BOD) was held on the 19 March 2022 in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, with the kind hospitality of the Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization (SASO).

The meeting was chaired by H.E. Dr. Saad bin Othman AL-KASABI, Chairman of the SMIIC Board of Directors (BOD). The meeting was attended by representatives from 12 Member States of the Board of Directors. General Secretariat presented its report on the developments and activities conducted since the last Board of Directors meeting and the report was welcomed by the Board of Directors members. Furthermore, two important Committees (a Permanent and an Ad Hoc Committee) have been established and appointments of membership positions under the Board of Directors as well as Assistant Secretary General have been successfully completed.

During the meeting, External Auditor Report for 2021 and the Progress Report on Two Year Implementation Plan (2021-2022) of SMIIC Strategic Plan 2021-2030 were submitted and the Chairs of the SMIIC Councils/Committee presented their reports on the latest developments and activities. Also, SMIIC Annual Report 2021 was unanimously approved.

The result of the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen Elections of SMIIC Board of Directors for the 2022-2024 term is:

- **Kingdom of Saudi Arabia** – Elected as the **Chairman of the BOD**
- **Republic of Turkey** – Elected as the **Vice-Chairman of the BOD** and appointed as **the Chair of the Finance Committee**
- **Republic of Cameroon** – Elected as the **Vice-Chairman of the BOD** and appointed as the **Chair of the Strategy Committee**
- **Islamic Republic of Pakistan** – Elected as the **Vice-Chairman of the BOD** and appointed as the **Chair of the Standardization Management Council**

As a tradition, the Twenty Fourth (24<sup>th</sup>) Meeting of the SMIIC Board of Directors (BOD) was held one day prior to the General Assembly on 21 November 2022 in İstanbul, Republic of Türkiye following the regular meetings of Board of Directors Finance and Strategy Committees which were organized concurrently on the same day in the morning. The Board of Directors meeting was chaired by H.E. Dr. Saad bin Othman AL-KASABI, Chairman of the SMIIC Board of Directors (BOD) and attended by representatives from 12 Members States of the Board of Directors.

As one of the most important outcomes, Board of Directors approved the membership applications of Republic of Azerbaijan which will be represented by Azerbaijan Standardization Institute (AZSTAND) as the national body and Republic of Tajikistan which will be represented by Agency of Standardization, Metrology, Certification and Trade Inspection under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan (TAJIKSTANDARD) as the national body, bringing the number of SMIIC Members to 44 along with 3 Observers.

## **OUR HIGHLIGHTS**

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### **Standardization Management Council (SMC)**

Standardization Management Council is the organ assigned the task of coordinating the development of OIC/SMIIC standards in cooperation with Member States. Standardization Management Council coordinates and oversees the performance of the Technical Committees.

During the last year, SMC has continued building up the future activities of the technical committees and following-up their performance on ongoing standards projects.

- The Fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) Meeting of the SMIIC SMC held on 20 November 2022 in İstanbul. The following are the proceedings:
  - Approval of "SMIIC Code of Ethics for Technical Work"
  - “Workshop on SMC Roadmap” will be held together with the upcoming SMC Meeting.

- The approval of TC Chairs:
  - TC 16 – Halal Pharmaceuticals : Dr. Noraida Mohamad ZAINOOR
  - TC 17 – Handicraft: Eng. Hussein Ahmed Mohamed IBRAHIM
- Reallocation of the secretariat of TC 2 – Halal Cosmetics Issues to Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Mr. Abdulkareem Albabteen has been assigned as the Secretary of TC 2 by Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

## Standardization Activities

The core business of SMIIC is to develop and publish OIC/SMIIC Standards and technical specifications that meet the evolving needs of OIC-wide businesses and other organizations. This important work brings concrete benefits, such as: *improving safety, quality and reliability of products and services.*

The year 2022 has also brought about many unexpected challenges following the impacts of ongoing COVID-19 pandemic yet we continued our commitment to improving our technical work. Hence, by benefiting from all types of technological tools, we have carried out our main tasks in SMIIC Technical Committees to work on and publish new OIC/SMIIC standards.

## Technical Committees (TCs)

Standards are prepared by bringing together all interested parties such as manufacturers, consumers and regulators of a particular material, product, process or service.

The following TCs have been established under the SMIIC:

- TC1 Halal Food Issues
- TC2 Halal Cosmetic Issues
- TC3 Service Site Issues
- TC4 Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy
- TC5 Tourism and Related Services
- TC6 Agricultural Products
- TC7 Transportation
- TC8 Leather and Tanning Material
- TC9 Textiles and Related Products
- TC10 Halal Supply Chain
- TC11 Halal Management Systems
- TC12 Dangerous Goods Transportation (Merged with TC 7)
- TC13 Jewellery
- TC14 Petroleum and Related Products
- TC15 Terminology
- TC16 Halal Pharmaceuticals Issues
- TC17 Handicraft
- SMIIC Committee on Standards for Conformity Assessment (SMIIC/CCA)

OIC/SMIIC standards are developed by experts, within TCs. TCs are made up of representatives of industry, NGOs, governments and other stakeholders, who are put forward by SMIIC's members. Each TC deals with a different subject.

### Technical Committee Week 11 Meetings

11<sup>th</sup> Technical Committee Week (TC Week 11) was organized on 17-21 September 2022 in İstanbul, Republic of Türkiye.

All committees including SMIIC/CCA held their plenary meetings for the first time physically after 3 years of pandemic period. The online participation to the meetings was also possible for members who could not attend physically.

11<sup>th</sup> SMIIC Technical Committee (TC) Week Meetings were organized with the participation of 69 delegates from Bangladesh, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cameroon, Egypt, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Libya, Malaysia, Morocco, Pakistan, Palestine, Qatar, Senegal, Sudan, Thailand, Tunisia, Türkiye, Uganda and International Islamic Fiqh Academy (IIFA).

The plenary meetings were effective and fruitful in which Technical Committees worked on their projects, strategic business plans.

### Committee on Standards for Conformity Assessment (CCA)

*Committee on Standards for Conformity Assessment (CCA) has been established for preparation of guides/standards on criteria for bodies involved in testing, calibration, certification, inspection, accreditation, their operation and assessment, and other related standards and especially halal conformity assessment and accreditation guidelines or standards.*

SMIIC/CCA is the committee which is responsible for the development of OIC/SMIIC standards on conformity assessment and accreditation. Within the committee, 6 OIC/SMIIC standards have already been developed on this scope of which OIC/SMIIC 2 and 3 standards are the main standards.

11<sup>th</sup> Meeting of SMIIC/CCA was held on 17 October 2022 in hybrid format in İstanbul, Republic of Türkiye and was also technically hosted by General Secretariat.

The Committee further decided to activate of the clarification process within SMIIC/CCA. One of the main tasks of the CCA is defined as *“To provide answers to the clarification requests on the relevant SMIIC/CCA guides or standards which is submitted by any SMIIC Member State or liaison organization”* in Clause 4 of Terms of Reference of SMIIC/CCA. To be able to activate this task, a maintenance group has been established at the meeting by approving the clarification process document to conduct this activity.

The maintenance group is expected to develop common positions on the clarification requests received by SMIIC Member States or liaison organizations on any clause of the OIC/SMIIC standards which are developed and published within the scope of SMIIC/CCA.

## SMIIC Technical Work Overall Key Figures:

The overall Key Figures of the ongoing projects and published standards is given in the table below.

Committees /Project Status	New Work Registered	Working Draft (WD)	Committee Draft (CD)	Draft Standard (DS)	Final Draft Standard (FDS)	Under Publication	Total Ongoing Projects	Published Standards
SMIIC/CCA SMIIC Committee on Standards for Conformity Assessment				1			1	6
TC1 Halal Food Issues	3	2	1	1			7	3
TC2 Halal Cosmetic Issues		2					2	1
TC3 Service Site Issues		4		1			5	1
TC4 Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy			1	1			2	1
TC5 Tourism and Related Services		1		1			2	1
TC6 Agricultural Products	1		1				2	3
TC7 Transportation		1	1	1			3	1
TC8 Leather and Tanning Material		2					2	8
TC9 Textiles and Related Products	1	1	2				4	3
TC10 Halal Supply Chain	1						1	3
TC11 Halal Management Systems	1						1	2
TC13 Jewellery	1	1					2	1
TC14 Petroleum and Related Products							0	15
TC15 Terminology Committee				1			1	
TC 16 Halal Pharmaceuticals Issues		2		1			3	
TC 17 Handicraft	2						2	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>50</b>

The overall key figures of the ongoing projects and published standards



## New OIC/SMIIC Standards Published in 2022

The standards published in 2022 are as follows:

- TC 9 Textiles and Related Products published a new standard *OIC/SMIIC 27: 2022 – Woven Carpets used for Masjids*. This standard specifies machine-made woven carpets with cut or loop pile or both types of piles for use in Masjids.
- TC 8 Leather and Tanning Material published a new standard *OIC/SMIIC 37: 2022 – Halal Products- Usage of Animal Bone, Skin and Hair- General Guidelines*. This standard gives practical guidelines for the relevant industries of the usage of animal bone, skin and hair in accordance with Islamic rules.
- TC 6 Agricultural Products published a new standard *OIC/SMIIC 47: 2022 – Dates for Industrial Purposes*.
- TC 11 Halal Management Systems published a new standard *OIC/SMIIC 51:2022 – Hygiene and Sanitation Management System – Requirements*.
- TC 1 for Halal Food Issues published a new standard *OIC/SMIIC 23:2022 – Feeding Stuffs for Halal Animals – General Requirements*.
- TC 16 for Halal Pharmaceuticals Issues published a new standard *OIC/SMIIC 50-1: 2022 – Halal pharmaceuticals - Part 1 - General requirements*.
- TC 14 Petroleum and Related Products published 4 new standards.
- The SMIIC Committee on Standards for Conformity Assessment (CCA) published *OIC/SMIIC DS 57 Conformity Assessment – General Requirements for the Operation of Various Types of Bodies Performing Halal Inspection*.

The standards development process incorporated hours of hard work of experts from each of the Technical Committee, Member States and from the International Fiqh Academy (liaison in the Technical Committees) and has worked through step by step every aspect of the draft documents producing the final standards. SMIIC would like to thank all experts who have put in time and effort in the development of the standard.

## SMIIC Information System

*SMIIC Information System (IS) was established and launched in 2015 as an electronic collaborative environment to increase the efficiency of communication level among Member States and a database storing all technical works and documents of SMIIC within the scope of work especially for the activities of the Technical Committees (TCs).*

It has been actively used since then by the secretaries, chairs and experts/members of the TCs and its sub structures for all steps of standardization work from preliminary stage until the publication of OIC/SMIIC standards. SMIIC IS is also used to store the administrative/meeting documents of SMIIC General Assembly and Board of Directors and the documents of SMIIC Councils as well as the information on SMIIC partners. SMIIC IS is linked to the official website of SMIIC which allows to keep the site up to date and ensure the online sales of the OIC/SMIIC standards.

## **SMIIC Website:**

The Standardization and Metrology Institute for the Islamic Countries (SMIIC) is always looking for new ways to improve communication and promote cooperation among its members. As part of this effort, we are pleased to announce the new features added to our website – addition of Arabic and French versions of the website and the ability to purchase trainings online.

### **SMIIC website in Arabic and French**

A new feature has been added to the SMIIC website, the website is now available in Arabic and French languages as well.

### **New Feature on SMIIC Website: Online Training Programs**

The objective of this new feature is to provide our trainings related to SMIIC standards and work procedures to a wider audience. In addition to our member states, we will now be able to offer our trainings to private companies and institutions all around the world. This new feature is in line with our new project "SMIIC Academy" which we are launching soon.

We have received immense demand from our stakeholders all over the world requesting training. By offering our trainings online, we aim to increase accessibility and reach a larger audience. This will also provide an additional source of revenue for SMIIC and help us achieve our goals.

We believe that this new feature on our website will benefit our members, private companies and institutions, and contribute to the success of SMIIC's initiatives. We are confident that it will help us promote communication and cooperation among our members, and support our mission of promoting standardization and metrology in the Islamic world.

## **Metrology Council (MC)**

*MC consists of a chair and members from national metrology institutes of the Member States and Observers of SMIIC. SMIIC MC aims to achieve uniformity in metrology and laboratory testing among Member States.*

## **Metrology Activities**

Metrology as the science of measurement showed us its importance once again during the pandemic period. Metrology and laboratory services have provided an essential contribution to the diagnostic process with high-quality and accurate infrastructure. In view of this fact, we continued our metrology activities during 2022 by holding meetings and the planned trainings for capacity building as per the SMIIC MC Work Plan 2021 – 2023.

## 10<sup>th</sup> SMIIC Metrology Council Meeting

The 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the SMIIC Metrology Council (MC) was held on the 16 May 2022 and hosted by the SMIIC General Secretariat and TÜBİTAK UME, the institute holding the chairmanship of the SMIIC MC. The meeting was attended by 45 representatives from a total of 20 Members.

Representatives from the General Directorate of Metrology (The Republic of ALBANIA) and Azerbaijan Metrology Institute (Republic of AZERBAIJAN) attended the meeting as invited guests. Representative from the Gulf Association for Metrology (GULFMET) attended the meeting as a liaison organization.

### **Brief summary:**

- “Progress on implementation of SMIIC MC Work Plan” was presented regarding the actions taken by the Meeting and the ones planned to be done by the end of 2021 regarding the Work Plan. The participants were informed on the trainings, survey on the ILCs requirements and further process related to the planning the ILCs requested.
- “Categorization of Member States and roadmap for transition from low to high category” was presented with general overview of the current situation as well as emphasizing the actions need to be taken to improve the capability of relatively less developed countries within SMIIC MC. The importance of transition to upper category and the desire to see all SMIIC Member States in the Category 1 was emphasized by the SMIIC MC Chairman.

The following presentations related to latest developments were given during the meeting.

- latest developments in Kazakhstan Institute of Standardization and Metrology (KazStandard).
- Latest developments in Uzbekistan National Institute of Metrology (UzNIM).
- Latest developments in The Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization (SASO).
- Latest developments in The General Directorate of Metrology (DPM).
- “GULFMET R&D project: Development of Transfer Standards for Traceability of Hardness Diamond Indenter Calibration Systems”
- “Gravity Metrology and Gravity Activities at TÜBİTAK UME”.
- “Multifunctional Porous Organic Polymer Designed to Recover

## 11<sup>th</sup> SMIIC Metrology Council Meeting

The 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the SMIIC Metrology Council (MC) was held in hybrid format during 28-29 October 2022 in Almaty, Republic of Kazakhstan. It was hosted by the SMIIC General Secretariat in coordination with KazStandard, department of the Technical Regulation and Metrology Committee of the Ministry of Trade and Integration of Republic of Kazakhstan (KAZMEMST).

The meeting was attended by 47 representatives (30 physically and 17 online) from a total of 23 Members.

During the meeting presentations were given on the following:

1. Progress on implementation of SMIIC MC Work Plan 2021-2023 V2
2. Categorization of Member States and roadmap for transition from low to high category
3. Halal activities in Member States
4. Latest development in Member States
5. SMIIC MC Inter Laboratory Comparisons
6. EMCIC Project

The members discussed the possibilities for improvement and capacity building of member states to move from category 3 to category 1.

MC Council members also discussed the developments regarding the EMCIC project. The MC Trainings and capacity building projects will continue as planned in the SMIIC MC Work Plan 2021-2023 V2.

### SMIIC MC Work Plan for 2021 – 2023

The SMIIC MC, in order to achieve its objectives to harmonize and facilitate the activities in metrology services in Member Countries based on international arrangements and regional metrology organization membership requirements has been organizing trainings and relevant metrological activities. The SMIIC MC aims to contribute in enhancing the technical and metrological capabilities of Member States to facilitate removal of technical trade barriers. In line with these objectives, the SMIIC MC Work Plan 2021-2023 was prepared by the Task Force Group which was constituted during the 8<sup>th</sup> SMIIC MC meeting and approved by the SMIIC MC by correspondence.

The SMIIC MC Work Plan 2021-2023 covers the main activities planned to be realized by the SMIIC MC Member States for three years and is coordinated by the MC Chairmanship. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, some activities i.e. training, capacity building, consultancy, etc. have been organized online and the form of the other activities will be decided mutually with the involvement of the member NMIs. This plan may be subject to intermediate revision at the SMIIC MC meetings in case it is requested by the members.

### SMIIC Metrology Council Technical Capacity Building Trainings:

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the planned training activities were commenced to be conducted online by the host National Metrology Institutes. The training requirements were planned to be covered by volunteer members (Training fields and details are presented in the SMIIC MC Work Plan 2021 - 2023). All trainings were coordinated by TUBITAK UME as the NMI holding the SMIIC MC Chairmanship and SMIIC General Secretariat. Information about the 23 trainings successfully realized via Zoom platform are given in the table below.

The MC 2021-2023 Working Plan includes training and capacity building trainings on:

- a) Scientific Metrology Training (11 trainings)
- b) Legal Metrology Training (3 trainings)
- c) Training Related to Halal Activities (7 trainings)

- d) Calibration Trainings (8 trainings)
- e) Proficiency Testing Training (3 trainings)
- f) Joint Work, Consultancy, R&D and Workshops (11 programs)

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the planned training activities had been started to be conducted online by the host national metrology institutes. The training requirements were planned to be covered by the volunteer members.

Following table shows the 23 (twenty-three) trainings that were coordinated by TÜBİTAK UME and SMIC General Secretariat in 2022:

<b>Training</b>	<b>NMI</b>	<b>Date</b>
1. Seminar on Joint Projects Related to the Future Pandemics and Sensor Technologies	TUBITAK UME-National Metrology Institute of Turkey	14 April 2022
2. Seminar on the Transition of Member States at the 2nd and 3rd Categories to Upper One	TUBITAK UME-National Metrology Institute of Turkey	21 April 2022
3. Seminar on Joint Projects Related to the Future Pandemics and Sensor Technologies	TUBITAK UME-National Metrology Institute of Turkey	14 April 2022
4. Seminar on the Transition of Member States at the 2nd and 3rd Categories to Upper One	TUBITAK UME-National Metrology Institute of Turkey	21 April 2022
5. Seminar on General Information on Interlaboratory Comparisons (ILCs)	TUBITAK UME-National Metrology Institute of Turkey	28 April 2022
6. Training on Principles and Applications of RF and Microwave Measurements	SASO National Metrology and Calibration Center (NMCC)	09 May 2022
7. Training on Production of Reference Materials According to ISO 17034 Standard	TUBITAK UME-National Metrology Institute of Turkey	18 May 2022
8. Training in Calibration of Nondestructive Measurement Devices (Thickness Gauges)	TUBITAK UME-National Metrology Institute of Turkey	23 May 2022
9. Training in Traceability of Time and Practical Applications for Calibration of Quartz Oscillator	SASO National Metrology and Calibration Center (NMCC)	25 May 2022
10. Training in Calibration of Vibrometer	TUBITAK UME-National Metrology Institute of Turkey	21 July 2022
11. Training on Calibration of Radiation Thermometers by Comparison Method and Black Body	SASO National Metrology and Calibration Center(NMCC)	25 July 2022

12. Training in Interlaboratory Comparisons in Physical Metrology (Preliminary Meeting)	National Standardization Agency of Indonesia (BSN)	11 August 2022
13. Training on Calibration of Thermometers by Comparison Method	SASO National Metrology and Calibration Center(NMCC)	15 August 2022
14. Training on Uncertainty Interpolations in the ITS-90 Ranges/sub-ranges from Argon Triple Point to Silver Freezing Point	National Standardization Agency of Indonesia (BSN)	14 September 2022
15. Training on Electric & Magnetic Field Probe Calibrations	TUBITAK UME-National Metrology Institute	15 September 2022
16. Training on Nucleic Acid Based Measurement Methods for Determination of Pork Products in Food, Pharmaceuticals and Cosmetics.	TUBITAK UME-National Metrology Institute	19 September 2022
17. Training on Calibration of Hygrometers by Comparison Method	SASO National Metrology and Calibration Center (NMCC)	28 September 2022
18. Training on Calibration of Digital Multimeter	SASO National Metrology and Calibration Center (NMCC)	14 November 2022
19. Training in Mechanism of Work of Gas Measurements and the Method of Producing Reference Materials	SASO National Metrology and Calibration Center (NMCC)	30 November 2022
20. Training on Calibration of gauge block by interferometry	SASO National Metrology and Calibration Center (NMCC)	13 December 2022
21. Training on Calibration of Gas and Liquid Flowmeters	TUBITAK UME-National Metrology Institute	19 December 2022
22. Training on Calibration of DC Current Source	SASO National Metrology and Calibration Center (NMCC)	20 December 2022
23. Training on Calibration of Piston Operated Volumetric Apparatus (Micropipette)	TUBITAK UME-National Metrology Institute	27 December 2022

## Accreditation Council (AC)

*AC is the organ carrying out activities aimed at the establishment of an accreditation scheme in the OIC Member States. AC is responsible for supporting actions for establishing a sound accreditation system OIC-wide and raise awareness of accreditation concept within the Member States.*

Accreditation Council (AC) consists of members from national accreditation bodies authorized by Member States and Observers of SMIIC. The chair and 12 members from national accreditation bodies authorized by Member States shall be appointed or elected by the Board of Directors for the management of AC, on the basis of an equitable geographic distribution, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure.

The composition of the Members of the Management of SMIIC AC for 2022-2024 term was determined at the 22<sup>nd</sup> SMIIC Board of Directors on 01 November 2021 in Al-Madinah Al-Munawarah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the information of new members is available via <https://www.smiic.org/en/accreditation-council-ac>

### Fourth Meeting of the Management of the SMIIC Accreditation Council (AC)

After the SMIIC BOD election of twelve (12) Member States to the Accreditation Council for the 2022 – 2024 term as per SMIIC Board of Directors Resolution 20/2021, the Fourth Meeting of the Management of SMIIC AC was held on 20 June 2022 in İstanbul, Republic of Türkiye.

As per Accreditation Council Resolution 03/2022; the Management of SMIIC Accreditation Council has elected unanimously Eng. Lana Marashdeh, Director of Jordan Accreditation and Standardization Systems – Accreditation Unit (JAS-AU) of Jordan as the Chair of SMIIC AC, and has elected unanimously Mr. Zafer Soyly, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Halal Accreditation Agency (HAK) of Türkiye as the Vice-Chair of SMIIC AC, both ending on 31 December 2024 and the elections have been approved at the 24<sup>th</sup> SMIIC Board of Directors Meeting on 21 November 2022, in İstanbul, Republic of Türkiye.

### Establishment of a Task Force Group

Following the approval of the OIC Global Halal Quality Infrastructure (OHAQ) and Informative Note documents with Board of Directors Resolution 03/2021 of the 21<sup>st</sup> SMIIC Board of Directors Meeting, the Management of SMIIC AC (MAC) members discussed the activation of OIC Global Halal Quality Infrastructure and decided to establish a Task Force Group (TFG) with the composition of Cameroon, Egypt, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Türkiye (Chair of TFG) and the secretariat of TFG provided by General Secretariat. The TFG main task is to study the possible designated structure proposals through correspondences and/or physical/online meetings and to submit the outcomes of the study to General Secretariat within three months in writing to be submitted to the next MAC Meeting. 1<sup>st</sup> TFG Meeting was held on 31 October-01 November 2022, İstanbul, Republic of Türkiye while 2<sup>nd</sup> TFG Meeting was held on 26-27 December 2022 in İstanbul, Republic of Türkiye, in hybrid format. The TFG is expected to finalize its study in the first half of 2023 and to submit the outcomes to the consideration of MAC.

Members of the Management of SMIIC AC are determined to activate the OIC Global Halal Quality Infrastructure, based on the principles that have been set in its structure, and by making use of available regional/international structures while keeping its unique identity that serves the needs of all Muslims around the world.

The OIC Global Halal Quality Infrastructure will be a system with a well-designed structure from which all Member States could get benefit and also the OHAQ is expected to assist Member States in setting up proper national quality infrastructure system along with enhancing the existing ones based on the OIC/SMIIC standards.

## **Training Activities**

One of the Strategic Priorities (Goals) of SMIIC is “*Support the enhancement of quality infrastructure and interconnectivity of members*” in order to achieve our goal, we work to support our members in improving their infrastructure by giving trainings in different fields: metrology, standards and accreditation, with a special focus on OIC/SMIIC Standards and Directives/SMIIC Information Systems training.

We continued to conduct various training activities in 2022 both virtually and physically, some of these are mentioned below:

### **1. OIC/SMIIC 1 :2019 General Requirements for Halal Food- Foundation Training in Arabic**

SMIIC conducted the OIC/SMIIC 1 Halal Foundation Training in Arabic on 24-27 January 2022 virtually. 43 participants from Algeria, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Qatar, Sudan, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, and Yemen attended the training. The training was the first of a series of training courses held by the SMIIC General Secretariat in 2022.

The training aimed to give the foundation knowledge regarding halal food, the halal industry, requirements and implementation of the OIC/SMIIC 1:2019 General Requirements for Halal Food. The training program included:

- Introduction to SMIICs Structure and SMIIC Organs
- OIC/SMIIC Standards on Halal Issues
- Requirements and Implementation of the OIC/SMIIC 1:2019 General Requirements for Halal Food
- Evaluation Test

### **2. OIC/SMIIC 1 and 2 Foundation Training for KazStandard Staff**

SMIIC General Secretariat organized a three-day training for the staff of Kazakhstan Institute Standardization and Metrology (KazStandard) on 07-09 February 2022 virtually and the training was conducted in English with Russian interpretation.



Upon the request of the KazStandard, SMIIC General Secretariat organized a training program in English with Russian interpretation for the staff of Kazakhstan Institute Standardization and Metrology (KazStandard) on OIC SMIIC 1 and 2 foundation training based on OIC SMIIC1:2019 General Requirements for Halal Food and OIC SMIIC2:2019 Conformity Assessment – Requirements for Bodies Providing Halal Certification.

The training was very productive and SMIIC General Secretariat will continue to support our members wherever necessary.

### **3. OIC/SMIIC 4:2018 Halal Cosmetics – General Requirements foundation Training in English**

SMIIC conducted the OIC/SMIIC 4:2018 Halal Cosmetics Foundation Training in English on the 23-24 February 2022 virtually. 92 participants from SMIIC member states attended the training which is the first in the Halal Cosmetics sector and was the second of a series of training courses held by the SMIIC General Secretariat in 2022.

The training aimed to give the foundation knowledge regarding Halal Cosmetics, the Halal cosmetics industry, requirements and implementation of the OIC/SMIIC 4:2018 General Requirements for Halal Cosmetics.

The training program included:

- General requirements of OIC/SMIIC 4:2018
- Labelling and Packing Requirements of OIC SMIIC 4:2018
- GMP Guidelines of Cosmetics
- Evaluation Test

### **4. Visit of ATNOR and the training in French on "Standardization and Quality Infrastructure" for ATNOR Staff**

H.E. Dr. Haoua Brahim DJABAYE - DG of The Chadian Standardization Agency (ATNOR) and Her Accompanying Delegate paid a courtesy visit to SMIIC Headquarters and a three-day training on Standardization and Quality Infrastructure addressed to ATNOR was held on 02-04 March 2022 at SMIIC Headquarters.

### **5. OIC/SMIIC 1 Halal Foundation Training in English on the 23-26 May 2022 was held virtually**

SMIIC conducted the OIC/SMIIC 1 Halal Foundation Training in English on the 23-26 May 2022 virtually. 62 participants from Afghanistan, Algeria, Bangladesh, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cameroon, Egypt, Gambia, Iran, Iraq, Indonesia, Jordan, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Palestine, Qatar, Suriname, Sudan, Somalia, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Tunisia, Uzbekistan, Uganda, and Yemen attended the training. The training was the third of a series of training courses by the SMIIC General Secretariat in 2022.

The training aimed to give the foundation knowledge regarding halal food, the halal industry, requirements and implementation of the OIC/SMIIC 1:2019 General Requirements for Halal Food.

The training program included:

- Introduction to SMIIC's Structure and SMIIC Organs
- OIC/SMIIC Standards on Halal Issues
- Requirements and Implementation of the OIC/SMIIC 1:2019 General Requirements for Halal Food
- Evaluation Test

#### **6. OIC/SMIIC Halal Foundation Training for Africa Region organized by SMIIC, ASN and ICDT on 15-16 June 2022 in Dakar, Senegal.**

In frame of the 17th Trade Fair of OIC Member States held on 13-19 June 2022 organized by the Islamic Center for the Development of Trade (ICDT), the OIC/SMIIC Halal Foundation Training for Africa Region held on 15-16 June 2022 in the "Centre International du Commerce Extérieur du Sénégal (CICES)", Dakar.

The training was delivered by Mrs. Ndeye Maguette DIOP from ASN (Association Sénégalaise de Normalisation) and Staff from SMIIC General secretariat. The training was attended by the SMIIC French speaking African Countries and participants from Senegal.

Delegates from Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Gabon, Guinea, Mali, Morocco, Niger and Senegal attended the training.

#### **7. OIC/SMIIC 2:2019 Conformity Assessment – Requirements for Bodies Providing Halal Certification- Foundation Training was held on the 25, 26 and 28 July 2022 virtually, by the SMIIC General Secretariat in cooperate with Turkish accreditation Agency (HAK) and participated by 51 delegates from SMIIC Member States.**

The training is the fourth of a series of training courses held by the SMIIC General Secretariat in 2022 and the training aimed to give the foundation knowledge, requirements and implementation of the OIC/SMIIC 2:2019 Requirements for bodies providing halal certification

The training program included:

- Introduction to OIC/SMIIC 2:2019 & Principles
- General & Structural Requirements
- Resource & Information Requirements
- Process Requirements
- Management System Requirements
- Evaluation Test

**8. OIC/SMIIC 24:2020 General Requirements for Food Additives and Other Added Chemicals to Halal Food, Foundation Training** in English on the 16-18 August 2022 was held virtually. 53 participants from SMIIC member states attended the training which is the fifth of a series of training courses held by the SMIIC General Secretariat in 2022 and the training aimed to give the foundation knowledge and requirements of the OIC/SMIIC 24:2020. The training program included:

- Requirements for food additives and other added chemicals
- Specific requirements for flavorings
- Labeling
- Evaluation Test

**9. “OIC/SMIIC Halal Products Standards and Testing”** training course was held between 22-26 August 2022 in Uganda, which was organized by SMIIC in collaboration with COMSTECH Secretariat and Islamic University in Uganda (IUIU) with an aim to encourage the harmonization of halal standards used in the OIC Member States and internationally by aiding in the adoption and use of the OIC/SMIIC halal standards. The training course was designed to train the participants from Africa LDC-OIC Member States regarding the procedures for adoption, implementation and use of the OIC/SMIIC halal food standards.

## **Other Activities:**

### **8<sup>th</sup> World Halal Summit and 9<sup>th</sup> OIC Halal Expo**

8<sup>th</sup> World Halal Summit (WHS) under the theme of: “For Sustainable Trade: Explore All Aspects of the Growing Global Halal Industry” was held during the 24-26 November 2022 in Istanbul Expo Center (IFM) Istanbul/Turkey; simultaneously with 9<sup>th</sup> OIC Halal Expo (26-27 November 2022).

The 8<sup>th</sup> World Halal Summit was participated by 69 high-level speakers from 19 different countries bringing together experts from all over the world to discuss key issues related to the global halal industry. In the conferences where the participants were evaluated, the speakers presented their valuable original works under 12 different session titles.

The 9<sup>th</sup> OIC Halal Expo housed 446 domestic and foreign companies from 39 different countries. The World Halal Summit and the 9<sup>th</sup> OIC Halal Expo was a successful event which hosted 31,905 visitors from 117 countries.

### **COMCEC Project Funding - 2021-SMIIC-926 Project**

SMIIC conducted 2 training programs on the OIC/SMIIC Halal Standards which was final listed to be funded by the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation (COMCEC) of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC under project the “*Promotion of OIC/SMIIC Halal Standards use in the Asian and Arab Region*” project with No: 2021-SMIIC-926.

The objective of the training program was to encourage the harmonization of halal standards used in the OIC and internationally by aiding in the adoption and use of the OIC/SMIIC halal standards. The program aims to inform representatives from SMIIC/OIC Member States.

The project aimed to increase the awareness of SMIIC activities and OIC/SMIIC standards; to give the necessary know-how in the requirements of the halal quality infrastructure, the process of building this infrastructure in a Member State and the halal auditing methodology according to OIC/SMIIC standards. These trainings will aid in the use of the OIC/SMIIC standards as common standards and hence to decrease the technical barriers to trade in the OIC region.

The project included 2 trainings: each training was 3 days, one training in Kazakhstan for the Asian countries and the other training, online for the Arab speaking SMIIC countries. The trainings included content regarding SMIIC, halal market, halal food, OIC/SMIIC standards development, adoption and use of the standards was given on the first day.

During the second and third day, specific foundation knowledge was given on the use of OIC/SMIIC 1:2019 General Requirements for Halal Food, followed by an evaluation test and survey.

The trainees received a certificate after fulfilling the necessary requirements of the training.

**The OIC SMIIC 1 Halal Auditor training for Arab region** was held between 10-12 October 2022 virtually, by the SMIIC General Secretariat and participated by 38 delegates from Algeria, United Arab of Emirates, Iraq, Jordan, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, Palestine, Sudan and Tunisia.

**The OIC SMIIC 1 Halal Auditor training For Central Asian region** was held between 27-29 October 2022 Almaty, Kazakhstan and participated by 24 delegates from, Kazakhstan, Azerbaijan, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Russian Federation.

## **Dubai Expo 2020**

SMIIC took part in EXPO 2020 being held during 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. SMIIC has been taking part in the coordination meeting for the EXPO 2020 and as a side event in coordination with ICDT, ICCIA and IsDB. SMIIC has been the OIC Institution Coordinator for a specific period of time.

The participation of OIC in the Expo 2020 Dubai with its pavilion has been an opportunity to showcase OIC and its institutions achievements, services and activities for the benefit of the Ummah and how they contribute to improving the image of Islam worldwide.

Therefore, in line with the OIC Institutions' activities during Expo 2020 Dubai, the "Special OIC Halal Conference" was successfully held on 14 February 2022 at Terra Auditorium - Sustainability Pavilion.

Secretary General H.E. Mr. İhsan ÖVÜT and accompanying SMIIC Staff informed the physical and online audience on the basic pillars of "Halal Quality Infrastructure" through OIC/SMIIC Standards and its contribution to the OIC Member States.

SMIIC is always committed to conduct necessary technical activities especially on development of quality infrastructure of the Member States in line with relevant OIC Resolutions and relevant Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the UN as the technical organ of the OIC.

## OUR PARTNERS

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### Cooperation with International and Regional Organizations

*Partnership and collaboration are at the heart of SMIIIC's visibility, and in 2022, we continued to work with our partners leading to mutual benefit for all.*

SMIIIC has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOUs) with International Trade Center (ITC), United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), African Organisation for Standardisation (ARSO), Arab Industrial Development, Standardization and Mining Organization (AIDSMO), GCC Standardization Organization (GSO), the GCC Accreditation Center (GAC) and Arab Accreditation Cooperation (ARAC). During 2022, we strengthened our cooperation and coordination with sister organizations in the OIC family: International Islamic Fiqh Academy(IIFA), Islamic Centre for Development of Trade (ICDT), Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries (SESRIC), Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (ICCIA), Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) and Ministerial Standing Committee on Scientific and Technological Cooperation of the OIC (COMSTECH).

## THE FIRST CHAPTER OF OUR NEW JOURNEY: SMIIIC STRATEGY 2030

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### “SMIIIC STRATEGIC PLAN 2021-2030”

Our new SMIIIC Strategic Plan 2021-2030 became effective on 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2021, after its approval during the 15<sup>th</sup> SMIIIC General Assembly. The approved Strategic Plan gives the general framework plan towards achieving our vision and accomplishment of our high strategic goals.

In order to put our strategic plan in practice successfully, it was necessary to develop two-yearly implementation plans that will outline the actual actions we will take to achieve our goals. The first Implementation Plan for the term 2021-2022 was approved during the 21<sup>st</sup> Board of Directors meeting and our new journey was started.

For executing our implementation plan, we launched 13 (thirteen) Strategic Initiatives including 20 (twenty) projects in different areas for the improvement of our Members States' quality infrastructure, capacity building trainings, supporting Least Developed Countries, conducting joint programs with our partners, improving our standards to support the intra-OIC trade, enhancing the connectivity between our members, developing our staff and improving our internal processes and finance.

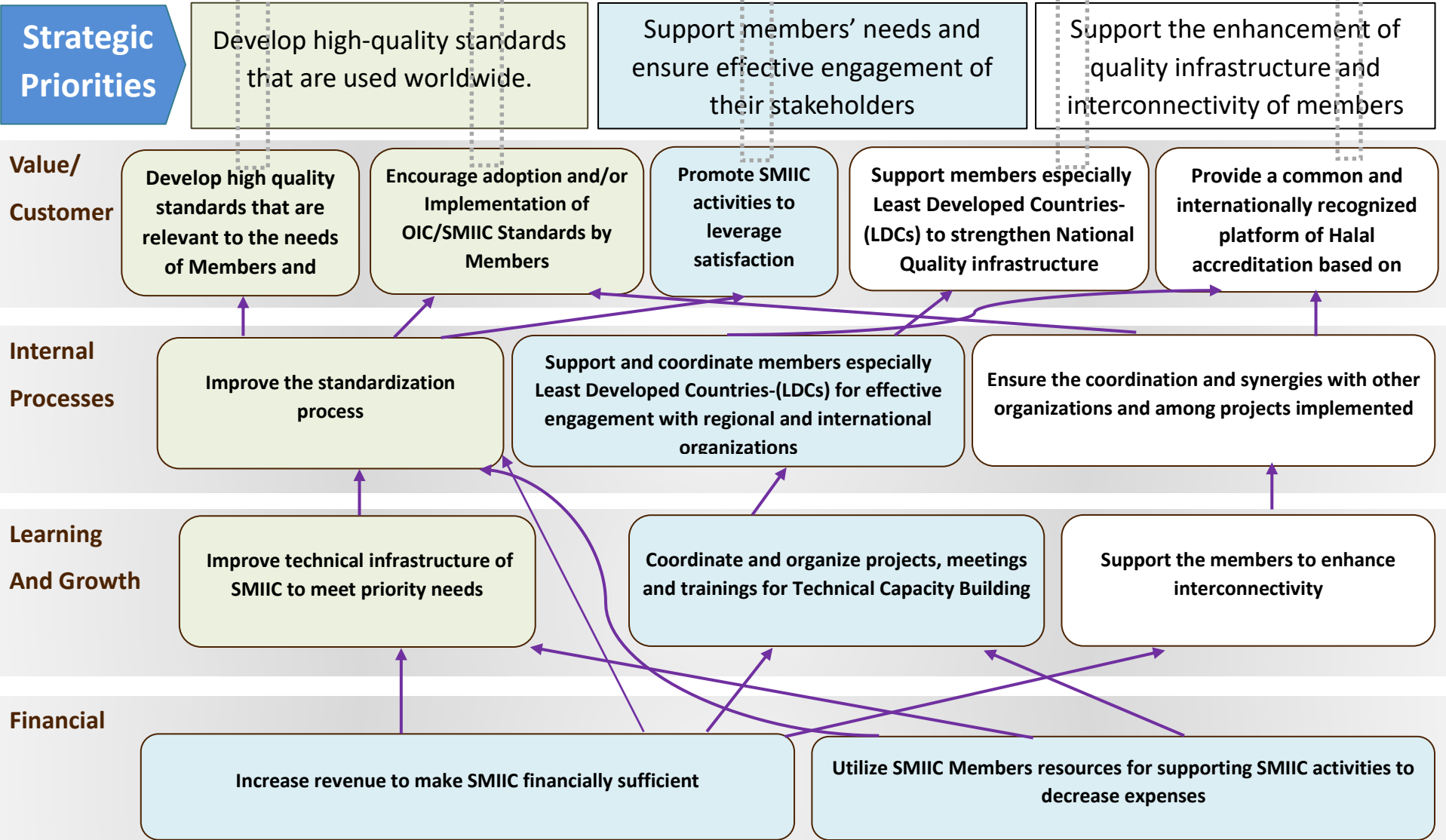
SMIIC has worked actively to execute the approved Implementation Plan of SMIIC Strategic Plan 2021-2030 for the term (2021-2022) since the early stages of its approval. The necessary steps were taken to plan, commence and complete the strategic initiatives. In this regard, SMIIC has set 20 (twenty) projects to execute these initiatives in the best way to accomplish the strategic objectives. While executing the plan, SMIIC General Secretariat has achieved tangible success in the implementation of many activities that contributed significantly to achieving the specific targets of the Reporting Period (01 Jan 2021 – 30 Sep 2022). SMIIC General secretariat has conducted 6 (six) surveys to learn about the satisfaction degree rate of its Member States. The Satisfaction Degree Rate was 88%.

Two-Year Implementation Plan (2023-2024) of SMIIC Strategic Plan 2021-2030 was submitted to and approved during the Twenty Fourth (24<sup>th</sup>) Meeting of the SMIIC Board of Directors (BOD) which was held on 21 November 2022 in İstanbul, Republic of Türkiye, and has become effective from 01 January 2023.

# SMIIC Strategic Plan 2021-2030 Map

**Vision:** To create a quality infrastructure that improves economy, welfare and protects our member states

**Mission:** To develop quality infrastructure, by establishing uniformity in standardization, metrology and accreditation activities including conformity assessment and quality improvement to facilitate trade and support sustainable economic growth, consumer welfare, environment and innovation promotion for our Member States



## OUR SCORECARD

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### 1. Expert engagement:

454 experts from SMIIC Member States, GSO and IIFA participated and contributed to the technical work during the 10th SMIIC Technical Committee Week Meetings.

Representatives of IIFA and GSO as liaison organizations and 205 attendees from 22 SMIIC Member States participated in 11<sup>th</sup> SMIIC Technical Committee Week Meetings. 69 delegates physically attended the 11<sup>th</sup> TC week meeting from Bangladesh, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cameroon, Egypt, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Libya, Malaysia, Morocco, Pakistan, Palestine, Qatar, Senegal, Sudan, Thailand, Tunisia, Türkiye, Uganda and International Islamic Fiqh Academy (IIFA).

### 2. Online Sales:

Online sales system of OIC/SMIIC standards on SMIIC website which was launched in 2017 has become more dynamic during 2022 recording 169 standards been purchased from all around the world.

### 3. Standards published in 2022

In 2022, SMIIC has published a total of 11 standards.

- **OIC/SMIIC 27: 2022 – Woven Carpets used for Masjids.**

This standard specifies machine-made woven carpets with cut or loop pile or both types of piles for use in Masjids.

- **OIC/SMIIC 37: 2022 – Halal Products- Usage of Animal Bone, Skin and Hair- General Guidelines.** This Standard gives practical guidelines for the relevant industries of the usage of animal bone, skin and hair in accordance with Islamic rules.

- **OIC/SMIIC 47: 2022 – Dates for Industrial Purposes**

This standard is concerned with the requirements that shall be fulfilled in whole, pitted or unpitted dates intended for industrial purposes; including human nutritional products, animal feed and non-nutritional products. It does not include dates intended for direct human consumption or date products such as date pieces and mashed dates.

- **OIC/SMIIC 51:2022 – Hygiene and Sanitation Management System – Requirements**

This standard specifies requirements for a Hygiene and Sanitation Management System when an organization:

- a) needs to demonstrate its ability to consistently provide products and services that meet customer and applicable statutory and regulatory requirements, and
- b) aims to enhance customer satisfaction through the effective application of the system, including processes for improvement of the system and the assurance of addressing the customer needs and conformity to relevant statutory and regulatory requirements.



– **OIC/SMIIC 23:2022 – Feeding Stuffs for Halal Animals – General Requirements**

This standard specifies the basic requirements that shall be followed at any stage of feed preparation or production (from raw materials to final products) including receiving, sorting, preparation, mixing, processing, packaging, labelling, handling, transportation, distribution and storage of any materials intended for halal animal feeding based on Islamic rules.

– **OIC/SMIIC 50-1: 2022 – Halal pharmaceuticals - Part 1 - General requirements**

This standard defines the basic requirements in the manufacturing and transportation of halal pharmaceuticals based on Islamic rules.

– **OIC/SMIIC 57 :2022 – Conformity Assessment – General Requirements for The Operation of Various Types of Bodies Performing Halal Inspection**

This document specifies the general requirements for inspection bodies performing halal inspection to apply to halal-related inspection activities.

## OUR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Following information is obtained from the External Financial Audit Report 2022 as summary)

<b>BALANCE SHEET AS OF 31 DECEMBER 2022 (IN USD)</b>		
	<b>31 December 2022</b>	<b>31 December 2021</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,861,565	1,657,250
Prepaid expenses	16,140	21,930
Other receivables	3,031	4,366
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>1,880,736</b>	<b>1,683,546</b>
<b>Non- current assets</b>		
Property and equipment	40,983	41,207
Right of use of assets	260,739	103,709
<b>Total non- current assets</b>	<b>301,722</b>	<b>144,916</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>2,182,458</b>	<b>1,828,462</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUNDS</b>	<b>31 December 2022</b>	<b>31 December 2021</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Trade payables	174	1,300
Deferred income	1,064	4,895
Liabilities from leasing transactions	17,942	36,726
Other payables	11	15
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>19,191</b>	<b>42,936</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>		
Liabilities from leasing transactions	198,011	33,637
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<b>198,011</b>	<b>33,637</b>
<b>FUNDS AND RESERVES</b>		
<b>Restricted funds</b>		
Subscription fees	8,907,834	7,513,632
Accumulated deficits (other than subscription fees)	(5,761,743)	(4,836,960)
Deficit for the year (other than subscription fees)	(1,180,835)	(924,783)
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>1,965,256</b>	<b>1,751,889</b>
<b>Total liabilities and funds</b>	<b>2,182,458</b>	<b>1,828,462</b>

## OUR MESSAGE: CHALLENGES & EXPECTATIONS

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SMIIC, by taking into consideration the needs of OIC Member States, concentrates to take an active position in its field of activities these are: all standardization, metrology and related activities in addition to conformity assessment as well as focusing on capacity building, training etc.

SMIIC aims to develop common standards that are applied across the world which will aid to ensure the protection of consumers, facilitate cross-border trade, ensure the interoperability of products, encourage innovation and technological development, include environmental protection and enable businesses to grow.

SMIIC vision to help create a quality infrastructure that improves economy, welfare and protects our member states. SMIIC aims to aiding the development of the quality infrastructure of our members to achieve this by establishing uniformity in standardization, metrology and accreditation activities including conformity assessment and quality improvement to facilitate trade and support sustainable economic growth, consumer welfare, environment and innovation promotion for our Member States.

While doing that, the Institute focuses on aiding in technical improvement and capacity building and play a directive function to guide the investment on laboratory etc. and equal distribution of mentioned plans in OIC Member States.

SMIIC could be supported in a way that:

- It could continue to take an active position in all related standardization activities in addition to conformity assessment as well as focusing on capacity building, training etc. taking into consideration the needs of OIC Member States.
- It continues to benefit the OIC economy in global trading, the welfare of the Muslim community and the environment by providing a platform for the development of OIC/SMIIC standards and other technical specifications across a wide range of sectors as well as the metrology and accreditation to verify -against OIC/SMIIC standards- organizations that carry out evaluation services such as certification, verification, inspection, testing and calibration.
- It could work to support our members on all elements of quality infrastructure as standardization, metrology and accreditation whilst prioritizing the needs of OIC Member States as the common platform.
- It could continue to work closely with the relevant international community, especially sister OIC institutions which have various mandates with regards to the industry, science and technology, economic development etc.

*Our best wishes for a wonderful year filled with good health and solidarity...*