ISO 26000 Standard

Enhancing your company’s reputation through social responsibility

WHAT IS ISO 26000
The International Standard ISO 26000, Guidance on social responsibility, provides harmonized, globally relevant guidance for private and public sector organizations of all types based on international consensus among expert representatives of the main stakeholder groups, and so encourages the implementation of best practice in social responsibility worldwide.

- 80 countries and 37 liaison organisations were involved
- 6 categories of highly committed stakeholders
- Designed to respond to an increasing interest in CSR all over the World

ISO 26000 is based on voluntary guidance and does not contain requirements. Therefore it cannot be used as a certification standard and certificates of conformity cannot be issued.

ISO 26000 CAN SUPPORT YOUR CSR STRATEGY

ISO 26000 will help all types of organization – regardless of their size, activity or location – to operate in a socially responsible manner by providing guidance on:

- Concepts, terms and definitions related to social responsibility
- Background, trends and characteristics of social responsibility
- Principles and practices relating to social responsibility
- Core subjects and issues of social responsibility
- Integrating, implementing and promoting socially responsible behavior throughout the organization and, through its policies and practices, within its sphere of influence
- Identifying and engaging with relevant stakeholders

WHY CHOOSE BUREAU VERITAS CERTIFICATION?

Expertise ■ Bureau Veritas Certification is the world leader in the field of accredited social responsibility certification. Bureau Veritas Certification received SA8000 accreditation in January 1999 and has conducted audits in more than 30 countries in all types of business sectors and activities.

Recognition ■ Bureau Veritas Certification is a member of the SA8000 advisory board and global leader on Assurance of CSR report.

Network ■ Bureau Veritas Certification operates in more than 100 countries. This global presence means that our clients can receive the double advantage of international expertise combined with a genuine depth of local knowledge (language, culture, laws, customs, etc.) ensuring a high quality audit.

Mark of global recognition ■ The Bureau Veritas Certification Mark is a globally recognized symbol of your organization’s ongoing commitment to excellence, sustainability and reliability.

RELATED SERVICES

Bureau Veritas Certification can offer SA 8000 certification services and assurance services of sustainability reports in accordance to the following standards and guidelines:

- AA1000
- GRI – Global Reporting Initiative
- VeriSEAAR®
- BSCI.

ISO 9001, ISO 14001, OHSAS 18001 and SA8000 are built to be compatible. Bureau Veritas Certification offers the possibility of integrating certification services (quality, health & safety, environment and social responsibility), resulting in audit efficiency, consistency and optimization.
BUREAU VERITAS EVALUATION PROCESS:

1. **Strategic Discovery**
   - **Scope and Strategy of On-Going Sustainable Development**
   - **The Methodology**
     - Strategic analysis of CSR
     - Review likely impacts incurred and exclusions
     - Integration of SR within the organization
     - Data re-census for RS monitoring
   - **The Objectives**
     - Customization of the evaluation on key issues
     - Preparation of an on-site audit
     - Validation of strategic orientation
     - Correlation between SR core subjects and actions directly by the organization
     - Collection of crucial data (economic, social and environmental)

2. **On-site Evaluation**
   - **Interviews, Exchanges and Analysis**
   - **The Methodology**
     - Analysis of self-assessment (if completed)
     - Meeting with strategic functions
     - Stakeholder consultation
     - Interview with associates
   - **The Objectives**
     - To value the work and involvement of stakeholders
     - To identify possible areas of vigilance or risk zones
     - To develop the level of CSR integration
     - To intensify exchanges and communication
     - To converge the CSR issues with the objectives of organization development

3. **Evaluation Report**
   - **Global Vision and Detailed Strategy of Sustainable Development**
   - **The Methodology**
     - Development of the evaluation report; scoring for each theme and aligning with ISO 26000
     - Consolidation of the quantitative and qualitative data
     - Issuance of an evaluation report
   - **The Objectives**
     - To provide an overview and specify the level of the organization’s commitment
     - To provide tangible and reliable data to the organization
     - To facilitate building the roadmap to be deployed as a management tool
     - To deliver the integrated elements into the annual sustainability development report

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