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TBT WORKSHOP ON SUPPLIER'S DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

THE BRAZILIAN EXPERIENCE

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Organization and Management of the Activity of Conformity Assessment

- ◆ Systemically managed
- ◆ Brazilian System of Conformity Assessment
- ◆ Policies and Guidelines Established by a National Council
- ◆ The National Institute of Metrology and Quality - Inmetro is the manager of conformity assessment program and official accreditation body

Mechanisms of Conformity Assessment used in Brazil

- ▬ Certification
- ▬ Supplier's Declaration
- ▬ Labeling
- ▬ Inspection
- ▬ Testing

Following UP Products in the Market

- ▬ Inspection, executed by police officers
- ▬ Market surveillance

The Brazilian Experience With Supplier's Declaration

- = Field of Application
- = How it is used

The Brazilian Experience With Supplier's Declaration

- ▬ Sectors Using Suppliers Declaration
 - Disposable cigarette lighters
 - Installation of Vehicular Natural Gas Systems
 - Angle Iron Made of Hot-rolled Steel
 - Welded or Seamless, carbon or micro alloyed steel

Results Obtained By Following up the Product in the Market

- ◆ Objectives
- ◆ Analysis Methodology
- ◆ Treatment of the Results

Results Obtained By Following up the Product in the Market

Market Surveillance – Supplier’s Declaration Results

Nome of the Product	Non Conformity
Disposable cigarette lighter	0%
Installation VNG System	14,1%
Angle Iron made of hot-rolled steel	0%

Summarizing

i) The reasons and factor taken into account when deciding to apply suppliers declaration of conformity in a particular sector are:

- products or services embedding medium to low risk to the health or safety of the consumer and environment.**
- Regulated field**
- The history of quality as well as the maturity of the consumer relations in the sector**
- The related costs**

Summarizing

ii) Suppliers declaration can be used alone or combined with third party assessment

iii) The international standard ISO/IEC 17050-1, Conformity Assessment – Suppliers Declaration of Conformity is taken into account

iv) We have some basic institutional and legislative infrastructured, mainly the consumer's protection national law

Summarizing

- v) **The compliance is ensured by following up products in the market**
 - **One is inspection, executed by police officers**
 - **The second is the market surveillance program, with preventive characteristic**

- vi) **We don't have any experience related with the use of supplier declaration of conformity in developed country facilitating imports from Brazil**

Final Considerations

- ◆ Experiment of using supplier's Declaration in Brazil has been extremely positive
- ◆ Results are similar to those observed in the international practices
- ◆ As in third-party assessments, it has been detected a trend of higher incidence of non conformities in services when compared to products

Final Considerations

- ◆ The results of the programs to follow up products in the market are already being used in the improvement of the conformity assessment programs
- ◆ The police of gradual implementation shall be continued



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