



ELECTRONIC CERTIFICATION ACCREDITATION COUNCIL

ECAC, NTC HQ Building, G-5/2, Islamabad, Pakistan

Expression of Interest (EOI)

Registration of Auditors and Audit Companies

The digital economy is transforming the way businesses, governments and societies interact and operate. The convenience and flexibility of the services and products available on the Internet has meant that all aspects of our lives are now increasingly being digitized. However, there is also an increasing concern about the privacy and security of the individuals and organizations, alike. To this end, electronic certificates, are commonly used to ensure higher levels and assurances of electronic identities and content integrity of electronic transactions. In fact, the use of electronic certificates to enhance security and privacy has now gained global acceptance in both the public and private sectors.

For the aforesaid purpose, the Electronic Certification Accreditation Council (ECAC) was set up under the Electronic Transactions Ordinance (ETO) 2002 in 2004. The primary function of the council is to provide accreditation to electronic certification providers and cryptography services. The mandate of the council also includes monitoring and ensuring compliance of accredited certification service providers in accordance with the ETO 2002.

ECAC intends to register auditors and audit companies that can be engaged by the Electronic Certification Service Providers to conduct information security audit of Digital Certificate Service Providers facilities under the Electronic Certification Accreditation Council Regulations, Information Security Auditors Registration Regulations (ISAR), 2008 (S.R.O. 496(I)/2008).

Interested **individual auditors** shall apply online as well as in hard form to the council in accordance with Form "A" of the aforementioned regulations and separately attach the following:

- (i) Profile of the individual, bio data along with qualifications;
- (ii) Relevant experience and list of clients;
- (iii) Certified true copies of qualifications, certifications and experience;
- (iv) Employment record and current employment, if any, with complete profile of the employer;
- (v) A duly notarized undertaking to abide by the regulations of the Council; and
- (vi) A solemn declaration in terms of Regulations 3(1) (iii).

Interested **companies** shall apply online as well as in hard form to the council in accordance with Form "B" of the aforementioned regulations and separately attach the following:

- (i) Incorporation certificate, articles and memorandum of association duly attested by concerned company registration office;

- (ii) A duly notarized undertaking signed jointly by the company along with at least one director to the effect that the company will abide by the provisions of the Ordinance and these Regulations;
- (iii) A solemn declaration signed jointly by the company along with all the directors to the effect that the company is solvent, an ongoing concern, no insolvency or winding up proceedings are pending in any Court in pursuance of clauses (iii), (iv) and (v) of sub-section 2 of Regulation 3; and
- (iv) Original copy of the resolution duly passed in the board of directors meeting authorizing a director to submit the application to the Council for registration of that company as an Auditor.

Interested **partnership concerns** shall apply online as well as in hard form to the Council in accordance with Form "C" of the aforementioned Regulations for registration as an Auditor and separately attach the following:

- (i) Certified copy of the partnership deed and certificate of registration;
- (ii) A duly notarized undertaking signed by all the partners to abide by the provisions of the Ordinance and these Regulations;
- (iii) A solemn declaration signed jointly by all the partners to the effect that no case is pending involving dissolution of the partnership by any of the partners in the court of competent jurisdiction and the partners or any of the partners are not adjudged un-discharged insolvent or petition is pending to that effect in an appropriate forum; in pursuance of clauses (iii) and (iv) of sub-section 2 of the Regulations 3; and
- (iv) Original copy of authority letter duly signed by all the partners authorizing any person to submit the application to the Council for registration of that partnership concern as an Auditor.

In case of any difficulty in application online, duly filled forms with all requisite documents may also be sent through email at ecac@ntc.org.pk in addition to hard copies to be sent at given address.

Every application to the Council under this Regulation shall be accompanied with a proof of payment of the prescribed application processing fee in the following account:

Account Number: 4141646473 with National Bank of Pakistan, Jinnah Avenue Branch, Blue Area, Islamabad:

- (i) Application fee: Rs. 10,000.00
- (ii) Registration fee for:
 - a. Individual: Rs. 50,000.00
 - b. Partnership concern: Rs. 100,000.00
 - c. Company: Rs. 200,000.00

Registration fee will be payable within 7 days of the approval of the Information Security Auditor by ECAC. The Information Security Auditors Registration Regulations, 2008 along with the relevant forms are available from the council website [http:// www.ecac.org.pk](http://www.ecac.org.pk).

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