

Acceptance of conformity assessment results: examples for consumer products regulated by Inmetro

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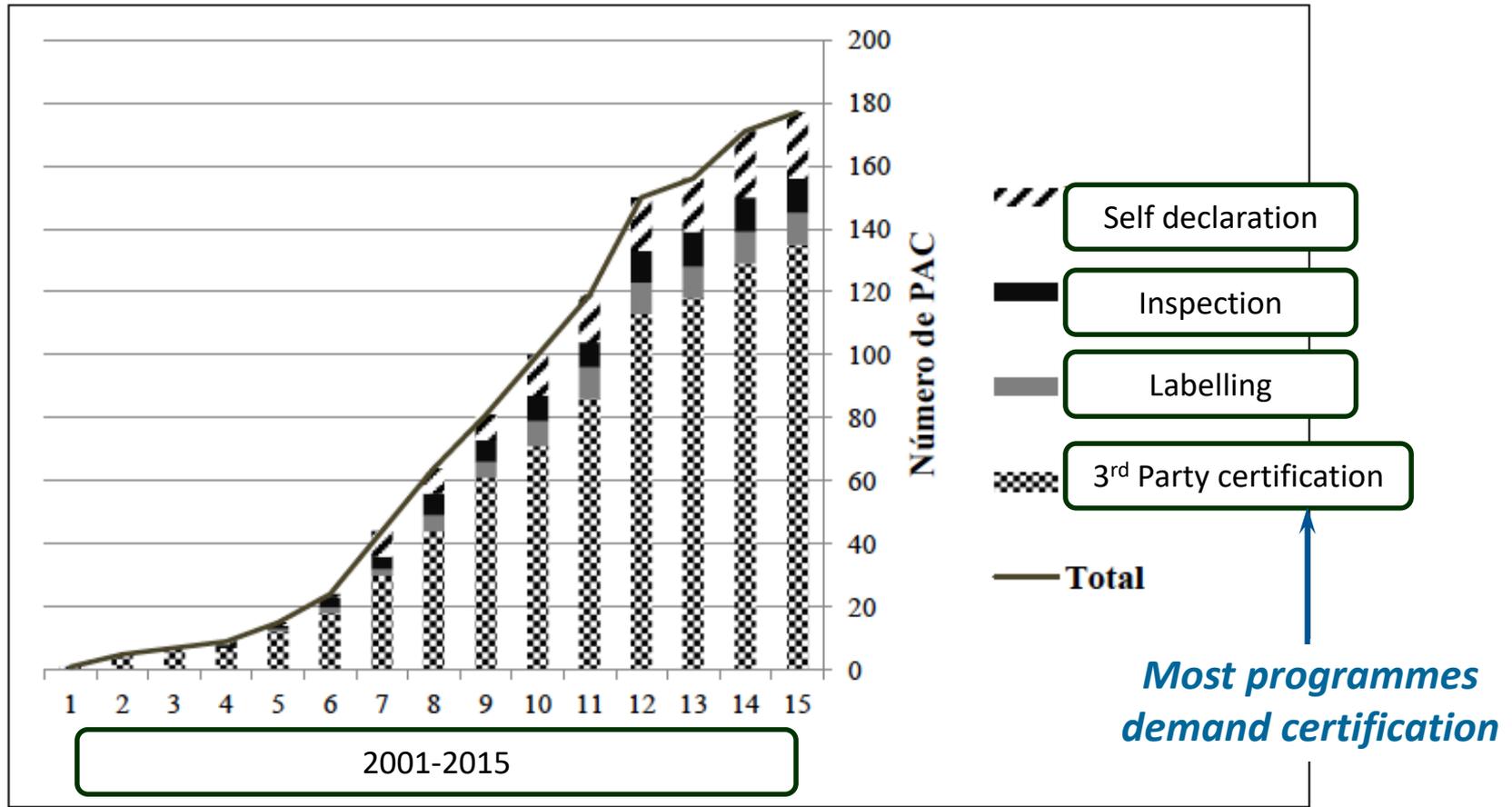
Inmetro's regulatory scope

product safety mostly, not covered by other regulatory agencies
(health, telecommunications, vehicles...)

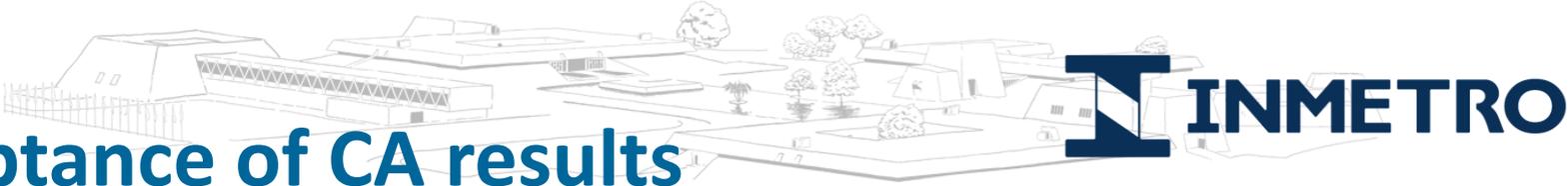
Current regulatory stock

167 regulations with associated
conformity assessment schemes

Number of CA programmes in place in the period 2000 - 2015



Source: Chamusca; Sampaio; Silva (Inmetro, 2015)



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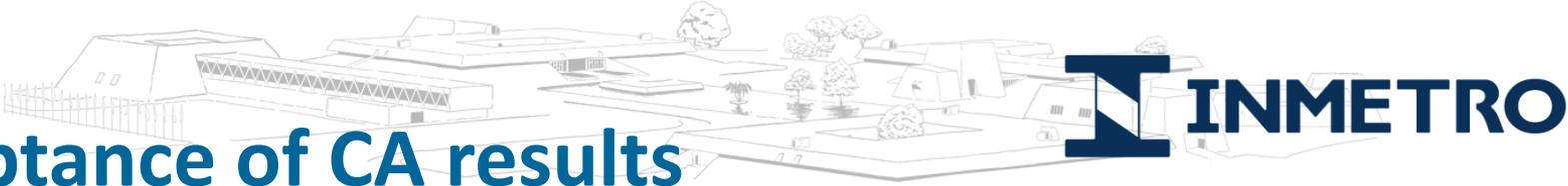
Foreign test results widely accepted in self declaration and certification schemes

provided

- testing laboratory is accredited by an ILAC member and
- tests are conducted according to requirements established in the regulation

Many examples: products for children; domestic appliances (electrical safety); medical devices and products etc.

Most tests of photovoltaic panels, for instance, are performed abroad, after laboratories adjusted tests to be conducted at 60 Hz and not 50 Hz.



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For certification schemes:

Foreign CA results are accepted according to the following conditions:

- foreign CB must be accredited by an IAF member;
- foreign CB must have an MoU signed with a national CB;
- MoU may cover acceptance of assessments and testing;
- national CB issues the certificate, assuming full responsibility for the entire certification process.



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For certification schemes:

Foreign certification bodies can coordinate certification processes in Brazil if:

- they are accredited by Inmetro/Cgcre in the specific scope;
- they are legally established in the country (legal documentation, office, staff with technical competence);
- all documents are written in Portuguese.



Acceptance of CA results

under Inmetro's new regulatory framework

In the near future, *an increase in the acceptance of foreign conformity assessment results will be expected*, considering that Inmetro's regulation will be fully revised to focus on essential requirements instead of prescriptive instructions that hinder innovation and competitiveness.

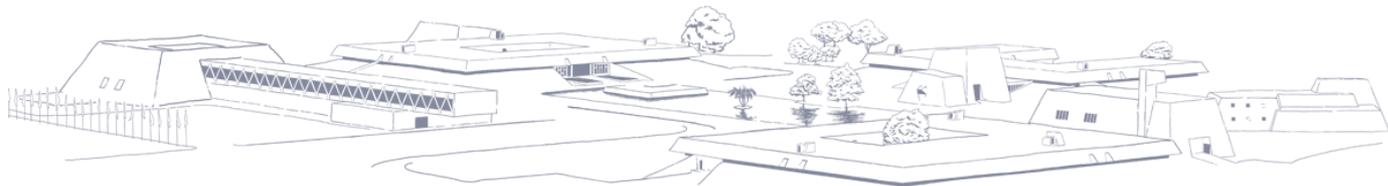
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