

# SGS, THE WORLD'S LEADING TESTING, INSPECTION AND CERTIFICATION COMPANY.

## About SGS

We are SGS - the world's leading testing, inspection, and certification company. We are recognized as the global benchmark for sustainability, quality, and integrity. Our 98,000 employees operate a network of 2,650 offices and laboratories, working together to enable a better, safer, and more interconnected world

### SGS contracted by the Petroleum Authority of Uganda (PAU) to provide PVoC Services for specialized Oil and Gas equipment and materials, starting March 1, 2024

With an estimated 6.5 billion barrels of oil reserves and 672 billion cubic feet of gas, Uganda's oil and gas sector is a lucrative market for businesses supplying highly specialized equipment and materials to the industry

In collaboration with the Uganda National Bureau of Standards (UNBS), PAU is implementing a strategy for quality assurance during the importation of equipment and materials intended for use in Ugandan oil and gas projects.

Under the PAU PVoC program, equipment and materials must undergo a conformity assessment procedure at the country of origin and be issued with a certificate of conformity (CoC) before importation into Uganda. Conformity assessment will include technical document verification, physical inspection, and sampling and testing in accredited laboratories (where applicable). Conformity assessment will be based on standards and technical regulations approved by PAU and UNBS.

### PAU PVoC procedure



### SGS contracted by UNBS to provide PVoC Services for general goods entering the Ugandan market.

SGS was awarded a fourth consecutive PVoC contract by UNBS to offer conformity assessment services for general goods.

It is a testament to our expertise in providing trusted product conformity assessment (PCA) services that facilitate trade while protecting the environment and safeguarding consumers from harmful, substandard products.

The UNBS PVoC program mandates that products with applicable compulsory Ugandan standards, as guided by the UNBS Act 1983, must be verified as complying with Ugandan technical regulations, standards, and/or an approved equivalent. Once a product is proven to comply with applicable standards and technical regulations, it is issued with a Certificate of Conformity (CoC). This facilitates clearance of the certified consignment and allows access to Ugandan markets.

### Why SGS

- We are the world leader in testing, inspection, and certification services, with unrivaled experience in providing PCA services around the globe.
- Our contract management office in Uganda offers access to information and key account management for tailor-made solutions
- With a dedicated team of professionals and a superior software platform, we ensure consistency and speed
- The SGS Exporter Portal allows clients to submit the certificate of conformity requests online, provides a tracking service for request status and a communication module; <https://exporter-portal.sgs.com>

Our PVoC services are already helping to reduce the complexity of product regulations for businesses trading with many countries, including Burundi, Cameroon, Central Africa Republic, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gabon, Cote d'Ivoire Republic, Kenya, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, South Sudan, Tanzania, and Zanzibar. Our wide range of innovative trade facilitation services are used by governments, institutions, and public organizations globally.



PAU PVoC Program for specialized equipment and materials for oil and gas projects in Uganda



The UNBS Uganda Pre-Export Verification of Conformity (PVoC)

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