international laboratory certification scheme
the process

initial assessment

- laboratory questionnaire
- evaluation of questionnaire answers
- on-site inspection
- proposal put to the Advisory Committee

(post to one of the below results)

post assessment

- final proposal to the advisory committee on whether to accept or decline
- raise any major/minor non-conformances with the lab & give a time frame to make corrective actions
- ICA Bremen board decide whether to approve the committee decision

recertification

- all laboratories will have to undergo an audit process every year...
- ... followed by an on-site inspection at least every three years
- laboratories failing to meet the criteria will have a plan of action agreed with the assessors