

**MSIAC L-150**

**A STAIRWAY TO KNOWLEDGE**

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**DO YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE?**

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**DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU ARE DOING?**

# WHO WE THOUGHT WE WERE

## In performing IM tests:

- + Experienced
- + Great knowledge
- + Good expertise
- + Measurements; no problem
- + High speed video and photography; business as usual
  
- Small issues with parts of some tests
- Might need more equipment
- Knowledge and expertise not widely spread within the company

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# WHICH IS...

- A procedure, developed by MSIAC, to audit competences and capabilities of organizations that perform IM tests
- A living document
- Four Excel questionnaires

## Part A

Guidance on  
General  
Standards

- Quality Management System?
- Health & Safety System?
- Environmental Management System?
- Other relevant general standards?

## Part B

Guidance on  
IM Testing

- Qualification?
- Training?
- Expertise?
- Experience?
- Capability?
- History?

## Part C

IM Test  
Procedures  
Mandatory  
Requirements

- Seven spreadsheets
- One for each type of IM test
- One for response assessment instrumentation
- Test site requirements and required measurement equipment?

## Part D

Guidance on  
Reporting  
Additional  
IM Testing  
Capabilities

- Seven spreadsheets
- One for each type of IM test
- One for common instrumentation
- The test organization's capability to go beyond mandatory requirements?

**AND...**

Could be carried out as a self-audit or a formal audit

Should be reported in a standardized format

# WE DID IT OUR WAY

## The Project Team & The Project Plan

- One Project Team: Three subgroup leaders
- Three subgroups

### IM technical parts

- One subgroup leader
- Two subgroup members
- Part B, C & D
- IM test reports
- Final report

### Measurement related issues

- One subgroup leader
- One subgroup member
- Part B & C

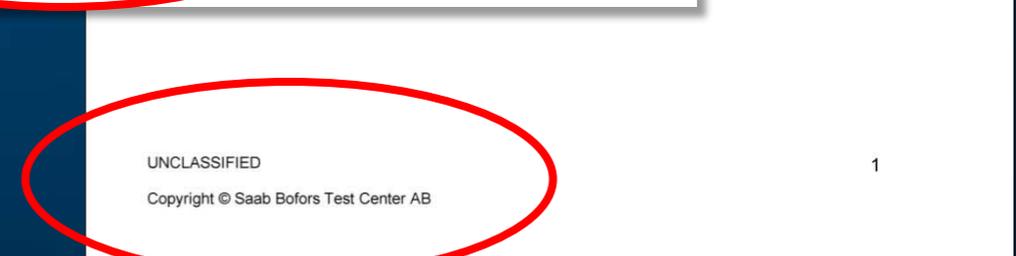
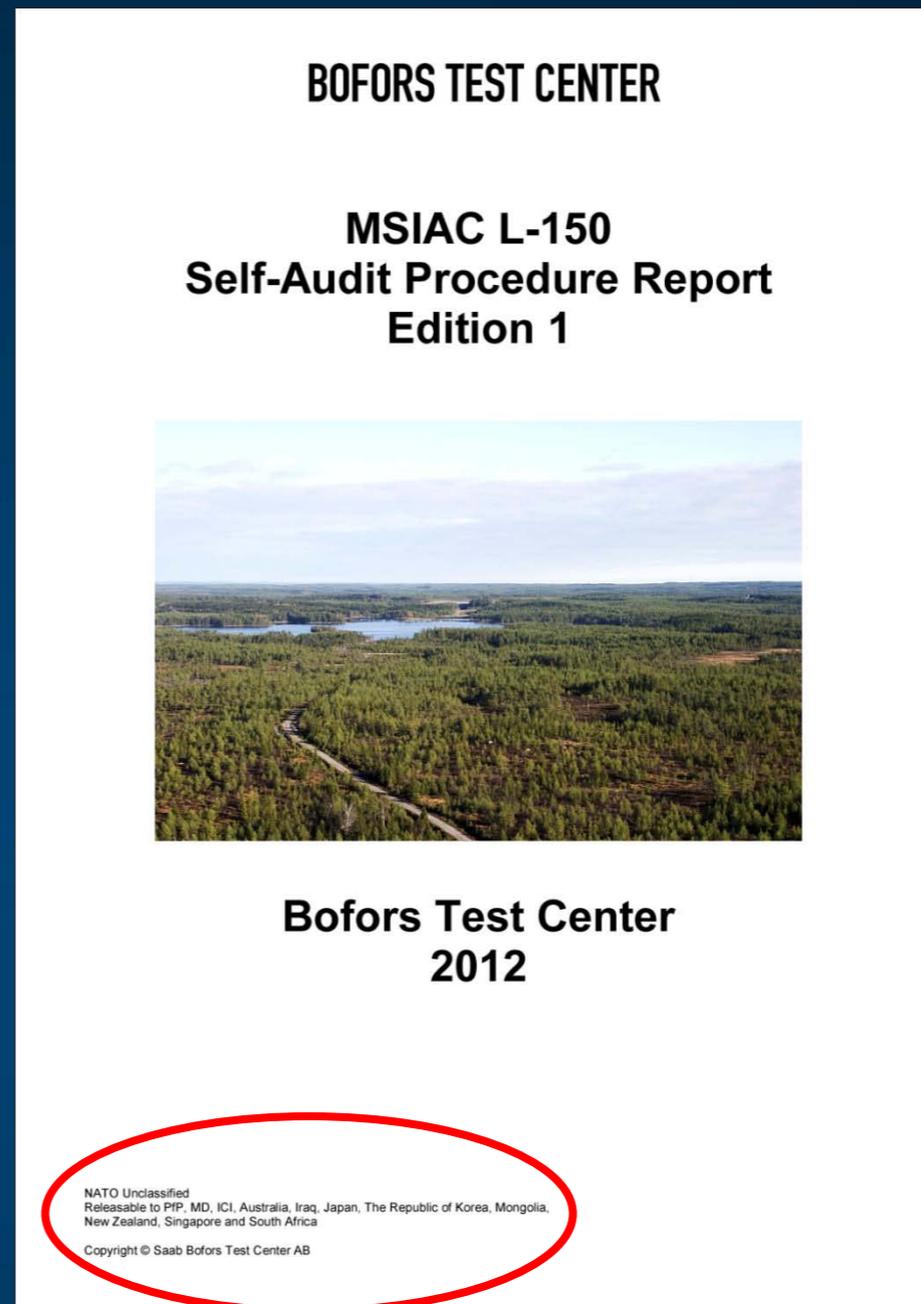
### Quality & environment

- One subgroup leader
- Part A & B

**Totally six people involved**

# THE REPORTS

- One “UNCLASSIFIED”
  - Does not contain Part A-D
- One “NATO Unclassified”
  - Contain Part A-D
- Both of them contain detailed information about:
  - Test facilities
  - Instrumentation
  - Staff knowledge and expertise
  - Limitations associated with safety, environment and environmental impact
  - Environment protection plans and emergency plans
  - IM and HC test sites
  - General technical IM reports



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# WHO WE REALLY ARE



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# CONCLUSIONS

- **Work, work, work...**
- **Time consuming**
- ***Worth all efforts invested!***

## **A FINAL ADVICE**

**“If you are going to perform IM tests at a test site of which you have limited knowledge – always ask for their MSIAC L-150 Self-Audit Procedure. That would give you the first important impression of their level of seriousness and professionalism.”**

QUESTIONS?



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