

Greetings from the Chairman:

Dear Friends,

We have left the first quarter of 2016 behind. During this time, we have completed our attempts of IAF evaluation about IPC Auditor certification framework and becoming accepted common standard. Additionally we have done our application to be a member of IAF again.

The preparations and theme workshops of the 3. IPC International Personnel Certification Congress is in progress. IPC family is growing. Canada based Training and Personnel Certification Organization PECB is now one of our members. We say welcome to them.

Review of the Constitution of IPC Association is completed by a technical committee, and it has been updated to be more compatible with the requirements of tomorrow. The final draft will be presented in the next Annual General Meeting.

I would like to thank all the board members for their dedication and perseverance during the studies. Besides, I would like to express my gratitude to all our members because of their support. As the result of activities carried out with the contributions of our members, it is provided to meet the training and certification requirements composed in accordance with industrial standards. Furthermore by the Multilateral Agreement signatory of IPC full members' thousands professionals are recognized in their professional lives.

As we present this issue of IPC InTouch, I hope that IPC, who is globally undertaking an important mission, will get stronger with our precious stakeholders' support and contribution. Please continue to inform us about any of your opinion, suggestion and request.



Osman Vural
IPC Chairman

IPC Board of Directors meeting 14th and 15th of April, Brussels, Belgia

Another successful IPC Board of Directors meeting was concluded on May 15, 2006 at Brussels, Belgium. The meeting was organized by EOQ at the picturesque Brabantse Golf facilities hall, close to Brussels airport. Topics discussed included IPC policy on IAF issues, emphasizing on the promotion of IPC as an official IAF program for personnel certification purposes under ISO/IEC 17024 and planning of next 2016 IPC AGM and 2017 IPC Conference. .

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IPC new members are welcome!

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BoD also approved and welcomed PECB, the new IPC full member from Canada. PECB, is a certification body for persons, management systems, and products on a wide range of international standards. PECB offers its expertise on multiple fields, including but not limited to Information Security, IT, Business Continuity, Service Management, Quality Management Systems, Risk & Management, Health, Safety, and Environment. PECB is accredited to ISO 17024 by IAS.

World Accreditation day 2016

9 June 2016 marks World Accreditation Day as a global initiative, jointly established by the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) and the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC), to raise awareness of the importance of accreditation.

This year's theme focuses on how accreditation can be a global tool to support public policy for all areas in the public sector – national and local government, regulators. More information can be found [here](#).

Anti-bribery standard gets green light!

[ISO 37001](#), *Anti-bribery management systems*, is designed to help organizations implement effective measures to prevent and address bribery, and instil a culture of honesty, transparency and integrity. While it cannot guarantee that bribery will not occur, it can provide the tools and systems to greatly reduce the risk and help organizations deal with it effectively if it does arise.

Implementing ISO 37001 will also provide reassurance among investors and other stakeholders that an organization has an effective system in place to manage the risk of bribery. More information about the standard can be found [here](#)

New ISO 45001 is approaching

ISO 45001 on occupational health and safety has been approved for Draft International Standard public consultation. More than 70 countries are directly involved in the creation of this important document, being developed by project committee [ISO/PC 283](#), *Occupational health and safety management systems*, with the British Standards Institution (BSI) serving as the committee secretariat.

ISO/DIS 45001 "Occupational health and safety management systems – Requirements with guidance for use" is issued. This standard will replace the BS-OHSAS 18001:2007 "Occupational health and safety management systems. Requirements."

Discussions on the text in the new standard are still ongoing, and it is believed that a new version, a Final Draft International Standard, will be issued for comments before the ISO 4500 is released, hopefully before the end of the year.

The DIS conforms to the "High level structure" of the management standards, making most of the general and managerial requirements appear with the same wording as in the other management standards, like ISO 9001.

Of particular interest is that the International Labor Organization (ILO) has been contributing to the draft standard. Worker participation in the OH&S system is described in chapter 5.4, and participation of non-managerial workers is specified in 5.4.d and e. The standard has requirements to organization context and requirements to the OH&S policy are very specific. We look forward to the final result.

Quality enables growth and competitiveness – join us at the EOQ Congress 1st and 2nd June in Helsinki Finland!

We all look forward to the 60th EOQ congress taking place in Helsinki, Finland, 1st and 2nd June. Please find information and how to register for the congress below;



Our great program includes:

Hot topics:	Keynotes and Speakers:		
Quality Tools & Business Improvement Innovations & Start Ups Sino-Euro Quality Forum – China & Finland European Quality Leaders Education & Healthcare Cleantech & Sustainability Business Cases IAQ – International Academy for Quality	Former Intelligence Community Officer, CIA, NSA and DIA Edward Snowden Professor, Dr. Noriaki Kano	Ex-President of the Republic of Finland Mrs. Tarja Halonen Commander of the Finnish Air Force, Major General Kim Jäämeri	Innovation Specialist, Mr. Peter Merrill CEO, EFQM Leon Toissant Professor Sau-Ton Su , Taiwan
Post Congress Day 3.6. – Company Visits	Lean Six Sigma Expert, Gregory H. Watson Lean Expert Niklas Modig	Superintendent of Schools of the Pewaukee School District Dr. JoAnn Sternke , USA Dr. Zigmund Bluvband	Quality Innovation Winner 2015 Global State of Quality 2015 Report

We reserve the right to make changes.

More details;

May 30, 2016

- EOQ-PRU meeting
- EOQ Executive Board meeting

May 31, 2016

- EOQ General Assembly meeting
- Presidential meeting (before the welcome reception):
 - EOQ 60 Years presentation with EOQ membership certificate for DGQ (60 years)
 - Long term EOQ membership certificates for TSE/Turkey (40 years) and CSQ/Czech Republic and EEDE/Greece (20 years)
 - Presentation of "My EOQ" project summary
 - Participation of ITC, ASQ, China, ANQ, IAQ and others.

June 1-2, 2016 - 60th EOQ Congress

- Introduction speech (EOQ president – George Georgiades)
- Afternoon session EQL on June 1st
 - Sketch France: « Quality against CSR : who wins ? », presented by Patrick Mongillon and Jade Plantin/France
 - Presentation Thomas Votsmeier/DGQ/Germany
 - EQL past winners
 - EQL finalists
- Gala Dinner: EQL award and photo session about EOQ History
- ITC "Global Platform for Quality" signing before closing
- Congress Closing with handing over the EOQ flag to SZKO/Slovenia (organizer of EOQ Congress 2017)
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Find out more;

<http://www.quality2016.eu/>

Fees and Registration;

<http://www.quality2016.eu/fees-registration/>

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please forward this newsletter to you colleagues and business associates that might be interested. If they want to be on our mailing list, please contact secretary@ipcaweb.org . If you have any information that would be suitable for IPC in touch, please forward it to marit.paus@finsnes.com.

Best regards,
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