

REQUEST FOR COMPANIES TO PARTICIPATE IN VALIDATING THE DRAFT REVISION TO ISO 9004

ISO is currently drafting a revision to ISO 9004 which will be completely different to the current version.

The revision currently has the draft title of 'Quality Management System – a foundation for sustained success of an organization' although it is expected this will change.

A global validation activity for the next draft of this is planned to take place in September & October of this year with up to 20 Companies per country participating. The objective of this validation programme is to get early feedback from users on how well the standard will meet customer's expectations

The UK is currently looking for Companies to participate. It provides a unique opportunity for UK-based automotive companies to have an input into finalising the revision to ISO 9004.

To participate you do not need to be a current user of ISO 9004 (as stated, the revision will be completely different) but you should be familiar with ISO 9001:2000.

Participation will involve your Company evaluating the draft document and wherever possible, the validation should include an actual testing of the "self-assessment tool" that is given in the annex. An Excel template will be provided for participants to record their responses.

Please be aware this invitation is going out to all the different sectors in the UK, not just automotive, so to have a chance of being included an early response is recommended.

If you would like to participate or know more please email Steve Elvin, selvin@smmt.co.uk before 7 July.

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