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# Our Vision Making Quality Commitment a Priority



Mr Xolani Mpahlwa

## Message from Editor

"Innovation comes from people who take joy in their work." — W. Edwards Deming

Welcome to our first SASQ newsletter, which will be published bimonthly. Our next edition will be in May 2020. We hope to bring you forefront information, success stories, best practices and general information pertaining to quality, safety, health, environment, sustainability, risk management and standardisation. We will also keep you updated on SASQ happenings. Members are encouraged to submit industry related articles, project participations, success stories and highlights, achievements for future editions. Please send your contributions to our President by email (ramphrr@icloud.com).

#### What is SASQ about

SASQ is the Southern African Society for Quality, a home and association for professionals engaged in enhancing organisational excellence. Our members are seen as the tools of the trade employed as Managers, supervisors, consultants, trainers, lecturers, advisors, inspectors, auditors, and researchers in the fields related to quality, SHEQ, sustainability, risk, standards and standardisation. A SASQ member has to follow a SASQ code of practice as well as engage in activities to ensure relevance in their respective positions and comfort of expertise to their employers. At the SASQ AGM held in February 2020 Mr Xolani Mpahlwa (chairman of the board) showcased the following from the new business model;

The SASQ mission is to 'increase the impact of quality in Africa through the use of quality concepts, technology, systems and tools towards excellence".

This is important for our members to understand that

they are engaged with their organisations to drive this mission, hence they have to have cutting edge, up to date information and skills to be able to do this. As a commitment, the SASQ conference 2020 will be a conference for members to engage with challenges, issues and skills regarding this very aspect. To assist our members as well as their organisations towards excellence, SASQ will;

- Develop a list of SASQ approved trainers
- Develop a list of SAQ approved consultants
- Develop a list of approved SASQ CPD providers

Offer quality related services comprising of

- Access to SASQ specialists
- Deliberation and advice on related challenges
- Quality Talks
- Developing Quality Strategies
- Any related Research



SASQ will increase the impact of Quality through the use of Quality concepts, Technology, Systems and tools in Africa towards excellence with its members and stake-holders.

#### SASQ's New Business Model

SASQ recently reviewed its performance and role as a body overseeing the quality industry. After several discussions, a new business model was established. The new model highlights the need to refocus the core business with an emphasis on creating a quality industry that presently does not exist.

Various product lines were established with the main aim being to "make Quality commitment a priority", which will be both beneficial to our members, organisations and other stakeholders. The five focus areas are shown below.



Objectives have been formulated for each product as defined below:

Individuals: To grow individual membership with relevant schemes. The current schemes are related to Quality, SHEQ and Standardisation. A sustainability stream is currently been developed. All streams will offer membership in a chartered, professional, candidate, affiliate, or student grade. Each grade will have a different fee, benefits and CPD structure.

#### **Consultants and CPD Providers:**

**To** assist the industry by providing a list of SASQ approved trainers and consultants. These trainers will also be SASQ CPD providers, and will be recommended to participate in SETA related training. Approved consultants and trainers will be permitted to use the SASQ logo on all their marketing material.

**Stakeholder collaborations:** SASQ will play a vital role in building relationships with key stakeholders, such as other professional bodies, Institutes, SETAs, universities, colleges, business partners.

## SASQ Award to organisations for excellent customer service:

**To** recognise and certify organisations that offer excellent services to their customers and clients. Organisations will be assessed against pre-established criteria, by trained assessors, through a stringent assessment process. Organisations will have the privilege of utilising the recognition to validate their service.exellence

#### Services to Companies / Organisations:

**To** assist and advise organisations for all quality or industry related issues on the basis of knowledge development, research and case studies.





#### Did you know that as a member you have the following benefits?

ROFESSIONAL development via a CPD point system.

RECOGNITION as a true quality professional, dedicated to maintain high standards through a SASQ code of ethical conduct.

A CCESS to knowledge, tools and specialists.

ETWORKING opportunities.

CAREER development and support.

PPORTUNITIES to represent SASQ in local, national and global committees.

PPORTUNITIES to form other schemes and forums.

PPORTUNITIES to participate in free SETA related training (e.g. Assessor and moderator training).

DISCOUNTS on SASQ events and workshops.

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ARTICIPATION in SASQ's certification and awarding processes e.g. as an assessor).

Showcase your achievements and share challenges.

R ESEARCH opportunities

NFORMATION on work opportunities

#### **CPD for SASQ members**

#### What does CPD mean?

Based on the SASQ's CPD policy, CPD is the acronym for continuous professional development. It is the systematic maintenance, improvement and broadening of knowledge and skills, and the development of personal qualities necessary for the execution of practice. A CPD system ensures that a professional is up to date and relevant to the profession. In some disciplines a CPD program determines if a professional is competent or not, for example a medical doctor. SASQ offers points on approved development programs. All SASQ professional members are required to acquire 30 CPD points annually. All new members will be in the candidate grade and promoted to the professional grade (at no additional cost) once 30 CPD points are acquired. As from 2020 all professionals who do not acquire their 30 CPD points will drop into the candidate grade till they acquire the outstanding points.

## What is the aim of the SASQ CPD policy?

The CPD system ensures that SASQ professionals actively participate in and report on CPD activities to ensure that they maintain relevance and competency.

## What activities contribute to CPD points?

- Professional practices such as improving knowledge on regulations or best practices, report writing, improving management skills, interpersonal skills, technical skills, etc.
- Formal learning through tests and examinations. through an accredited third party provider.
- Formal learning through untested channels, such as on the job trainings.
- Informal learnings through passive means, such as lectures.
- Self Directed studies.
- Non work activities, such as participating in the functioning of SASQ or coaching and mentoring on behalf of SASQ.
- Contributing to knowledge by presenting at events
- Mentoring and recruitment of members.

#### What is my role as a SASQ member

- Submit a formal, annual record and evidence of CPD activities by the 31 January of each year, for the previous year..
- Notify SASQ if you are looking for specific training.

Whilst the list above is not exhaustive, we encourage you to refer to the CPD policy available from the SASQ website for further information.









#### SASQ FEES

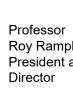
Individual membership Application Fee Annual fees Discounts for SASQ events and (Jan to December) workshops R 750.00 30% Chartered R 3000.00 R 2000,00 20% R 500,00 Professional 20% Candidate R 500,00 R 2000,00 R 300,00 R 1200,00 Students R 500,00 100% (need <u>pre approval</u>) NII Retired members NIL R 300.00 100% (need <u>pre approval</u>) 100% (need <u>pre approval</u>) Retired Fellows NIL NII Business Related membership - CPD Providers and consultants Application R 1000,00 to R 2000,00 Fees: R 1000,00 to R 2000,00 Max 20 % discount per scheme Depending on scope per scheme Depending on (requires <u>pre approval</u>) scope SASQ endorsements for CPD programs, conferences and workshops (\*no cost to public universities) R 1000,00 Will be determined on scope Application

#### SASQ MANAGEMENT



Fee structure for 2020

Mr Xolani Mpahlwa **Board Chairman** 



Roy Ramphal President and



Dr Raj Rajcoomar Chairman Extended Management Committee



Thanks to those members who have paid their 2020 fees.

- Members who are renewing their fees can take advantage of payment by instalments (enquire from SASQ)
- ♦ Members whose fees are outstanding for more than 3 months will shown as INACTIVE on the website, and if not paid within another 3 months will be removed from the database and website. Such members will be treated as new members to when re-joining.



Don't judge the quality of the gasoline by the filling station attendant.



Mr Deena Naidoo Director



Ms Charlaine Baartjies Extended Management Committee



Mr Motimedi Ndala Director



Ms Ellen Ratseou Extended Management Committee



Mr Gary Nyambuya Director



Mr Feizal Ally Extended Management Committee



Mr Abner Manaka Technical Director



Mr Andrew Murray Eastern Cape Manager



Dr Sugan Naidoo **Board Secretary** 



Vanessa kilian Administration



Mr Willie van der Walt Bank Master



Ms Prelene Lutchman **Extend Management Committee** 

#### Knowledge

#### Treatment of organisations - the new focus of quality practitioners



#### PROF ROY RAMPHAL

I that compete in conditions of a com- cient in the quality field. Does manage-plex economy in turmoil believe that ment recognize this issue or take for quality remains an important aspect of granted that the quality manager is alcompetitiveness. The key issue still re- ways competent to do the job? The remains as to how quality management is port seeks to demonstrate the im-implemented and continually organized, portance of this question by drawing an rather than just delving in just quality analogy with the job of medical doctors issues only. Although respective litera- and the importance of correct diagnoture points out that quality be the reses, treatment, after-treatment, cure and sponsibility of management, the quesprevention-similar work done by quality tion still remains as to how this responsimanagers on organisational systems bility is organized and executed and processes. Hospital management what the roles of the quality managers ensures that doctors are competent, but are. There has been reports that quality, businesses managers and quality manas a profession and the corresponding agers do not seem to care, hence the role and respect for the quality manager question "Are we killing our organisais somewhat contradictory. One school tions?" The presentation also reports on of thought is that the quality manager is the most important person in the management of quality and the other thought is that every other manager is responsible for quality with the quality manager just an adviser. Either way, quality managers must have in-depth and up to date knowledge, education,

HIS paper argues that organisations skills and tools to be effective and effiresearch conducted as a pilot study on South African organisations to further interrogate this question.

> For the full paper contact Professor R Ramphal at email: quality@webmail.co.za

#### SUPPORTING ORGANISATIONS

























#### **EVENTS**



**UJ—Forum Meeting** 





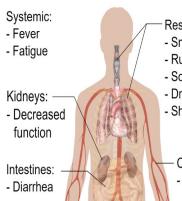
**Annual General Meeting 2020** 





#### What Are the Symptoms of the Coronavirus?

SaraRayne · ① Feb 29, 2020 · ♡ tutorial



Respiratory:

- Sneezing
- Runny nose
- Sore throat
- Dry cough
- Shortness of breath

Circulatory system:

- Decreased white blood cells

How should I greet

catching the new

coronavirus?

another person to avoid

safest to avoid physical contact when greeting. Safe greetings include a wave, a nod, or a bow.



World Health #Coronavirus #COVID19

**Be INFORMED** 

Be PREPARED Be SMART

Be SAFE

Be READY to fight #COVID19

For the latest health advice, go to:





#### Protect yourself and others from getting sick Wash your hands



World Health Organization

- after coughing or sneezing
- when caring for the sick
- before, during and after you prepare food
- before eating
- after toilet use
- when hands are visibly dirty
- after handling animals or animal waste

#### Protect others from getting sick



Avoid close contact when you are experiencing cough and fever



If you have fever, cough and difficulty breathing seek medical care early and share previous travel history with your health care provider









#### COVID-19

Need to wash your hands, but there is no soap and water?



Use an alcohol-based hand sanitiser with at least 60% alcohol















#### 19 -21 AUGUST 2020 WORK ON THE CONFERENCE WILL START IN MAY 2020 TOPICS: Quality management Challenges · Management Systems Quality Improvement

- **Best Quality Practices**
- **Quality Tools**
- **Quality Achievements**
- Standards & Standardisation

Abstract (no more than 500 words) by 30 APRIL 2020 Submissions: Full Paper (no more than 2000 words) by 1 JUNE 2020 Fmail Box

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#### Conference

The conference has been postponed to August 2020. As per the theme of the conference we have topics that really impact on our members. We decided not to have any academic type presentations on 20 -21 August and more discussion on our member challenges. We have not set a program for the 19 August as yet. We may be partnering with an accredited Journal to have research b ased publishable articles on that day. Members can offer some guidance on this topic. We make a humble appeal for our members to participate.



#### The Southern African Society for Quality

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Approved CPD providers and Quality Consultants

Quality Related Services to organisations

SASO Certification to organisations for service quality excellence

#### SASQ Membership SPECIALS for April & May 2020 for new members

#### Candidate Membership for Quality & Standardisation

R 300,00 Registration fee & R 1000,00 Membership fee (50% discount)

Affiliate membership R 200,00 registration & R 500,00 annual membership fee (50% discount)

Junior membership for students in grade 11 & 12— Free (will only receive newsletters) and will assist with any other student school activities for example School Quality Society

#### New SASQ Fellows



#### **DR Geoff Visser**

**Professional Member Standardisation** Continuous membership -10 Years Served on SASQ Board - 6 years



#### Mr Andrew Murray

**Professional Member Quality** Continuous membership -15 Years Served as SASQ Representative Eastern Cape -15 years



#### Mr Nick Kalidass

**Professional Member Quality** Continuous membership -15 Years Served on SASQ Board - 9 years



#### BECOME A SASQ CERTIFIED STANDARDISATION **PROFESSIONAL**

Requirement: MDP FOR STANDARDISATION IN ORGANISATIONS

Course details: https://www.unisa.ac.za/static/sbl/Content/docs/3%20-%20MDP%20on% 20standardisation%202019.pdf

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#### WHO SHOULD **ATTEND**

Participants in the MDPSO must have a Matric and three years' relevant managerial experience. Alternatively a portfolio of evidence of prior learning will be considered based on Unisa's policy requirements for short learning programmes. The following would benefit from the programme:

- CEOs
- General Managers
- Directors
- Business Systems Managers
- Quality Managers
- Systems Auditors
- Compliance Managers
- Standards Developers
- Senior Managers
- Technical Committee Members
- Standards Researchers
- Strategy Managers
- ▶ International Trade Practitioners

### WHAT ARE THE **BENEFITS**

After completing this six month programme, managers, professionals and practitioners in the public and private sector should be able to increase the participants' awareness of the nature, impact and benefits of standards and standardisation to markets and society, improving the ability to contribute to company performance and public welfare. In particular managers should be able to:

- Understand standardisation for local and international competitiveness.
- Use standards in strategy. development and implementation
- Implement, manage and optimise the performance and value of standards.
- Participate in various local and international forums for standards development and improvement.
- Train and mentor subordinates in standards management.
- Understand and manage the processes of conformity assessments and compliance.
- Identify opportunities for standarisation.

In light of the current COVID 19 pandemic Member that is infiltrating the world we remind events members of the vital role we play in enhancing compliance, awareness, teaching and learning. Let us unite in this fight.

Remember to source information and guidelines from reputable sources such as the WHO, DoH and NICD.

We wish you and your loved ones all of the

We look forward to your contributions for the next edition.

Please remember to submit the following:

photos during quality related

- Articles
- · Movements (promotions, new companies, graduations, etc.)
- Achievements
- · Please submit all contributions for the next issue by no later than the 30 April 2020. Remember you may earn CPD points for these!



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