



**Iranian Society of Quality Managers**



**Asia Pacific Quality Organization**

## **9<sup>th</sup> ICQM / 14<sup>th</sup> APQO International Conference**

**Dear APQO Colleagues and Valued Members,**

Hearty greetings!

As you are already aware, the 9th ICQM / 14th APQO International Conference as a very important and historic event is happening in Tehran on August 23-25, 2008 with the central theme "**New Quality Roles and Global Community**" under the Honorary Chairmanship of our great leader **Dr. H. James Harrington**.

The Conference is expected to receive thousands of attendees from all over the world and it is, as of today, supported by 55 quality organizations from 46 countries whose representatives are invited and supposed to attend and make it a really big gathering of world quality leaders / professionals. There are many good research papers and case studies received and approved by the Technical Advisory Board of the Conference to be included in the program as well as many fresh and thoughtful presentations from worldwide distinguished Keynoters and Invited Speakers.

The Conference starts on August 23 in the afternoon with Opening Ceremony featured by a special presentation in tribute to Dr. Joseph M. Juran at 14:00 and will continue on August 24 and 25 with the plenary and concurrent sessions for exchange of latest researches and fresh experiences in quality and quality management and related fields. As APQO tradition, we would have the exciting IAPQA program and the annual International Recognitions and Awards Ceremony for distinguished individuals and the world-class organizations as well as the Conference official banquet and many other surprising issues.

The Conference partner for tours and travels has arranged convenient special tours, as optional cultural programs, to Iranian historic cities and sites such as Isfahan and Shiraz ( Persepolis ) to provide Conference participants with the opportunity to explore, according to their interest, this ancient land of 6000 years of history and 3000 years of documented civilization.

Please do not hesitate contacting me for any clarification / information you might need. I hope that you will allow us the honor of providing you with Iranian noted brand of warm and memorable friendly hospitality when you join us in Tehran in August 2008.

APQO Procedure for annual Conferences implies active participation of all members taking advantage of these exceptional learning opportunity. This is the reason that the organizers have offered an early-bird registration discount of 30 % until May 20, and a normal registration discount of 20% until July 20 for all APQO members to encourage and appreciate their broad participation. For further details and registration please visit the Conference website at [www.qm-conference.com](http://www.qm-conference.com).

Dear Colleagues!

This is a reminder to invite you to your own Conference! While referring you to Dr. Harrington's important invitation\*\*\* to attend "**once in a lifetime Conference**" with him, I have the honor of warmly welcoming you in advance and, would be looking forward to seeing you and your colleagues / friends of your organization at this mega event of the year.

Best hearty regards,

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\*\*\*: For the invitation and full details of the Conference please see the Conference brochure posted at the website at HP