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ABBREVIATIONS

ASQ American Society for Quality
ASI American Supplier Institute
BSI British Standards Institute
CEOs Chief Executive Officers

CYS Cyprus Organisation for Standards and Control of Quality

DPA Departmental Purpose Analysis

EU European Union

FMEA Failure Mode and Effects Analysis

ISO International Organisation for Standardisation

JIT Just In Time

MBWA Management By Wondering About PDPC Process Decision Program Chart POM Production Operations Manager

QC Quality Circles

QFD Quality Function Deployment SQC Statistical Quality Control SPC Statistical Process Control TQM Total Quality Management TQC Total Quality Organisation

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organisation

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SUMMARY

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A literature search in publications, surveys, and reports related to quality assurance systems for the identification of the importance, applicability and benefits of improving performance followed the analysis.

In order to achieve the objectives of the project a questionnaire was formulated. The questionnaire is made up of 24 questions all chosen from previous questionnaires that were part of a similar international research.

Through an intensive schedule <u>all</u> the certified (both with CYS and BSI) Cyprus companies where visited and their senior managers or their quality managers were interviewed on the theme of the application of quality management systems in their organisation.

Then all the information from the questionnaires was gathered and the analysis of the results was done in a personal computer programs Microsoft Word 7 and Excel 7.

The results show that the application of quality management system standards have greatly benefited the organisations and in the majority of their departments.

The results of the project can be studied by the organisations that participated in the research and compare their benefits of application in relation with the total results. Also the results can help Cyprus manufactures in making accurate and right decisions in the near future.

A similar project with the same questionnaire is currently in process in the United Kingdom which is the originator of quality management system standards for comparison purposes.

In addition, there are thoughts of repeating the project every three years for studying the differences between now and then since 'quality is a race with a beginning but with no end'.