



September 27, 2016

TO: IAF BOARD of DIRECTORS

On behalf of the almost 200 member organizations of QuEST Forum, a global association of companies dedicated to impacting the quality and sustainability of products and services in the ICT industry, I would like to express our endorsement for the proposed International Accreditation Forum (IAF) Database of Accredited Certifications.

QuEST Forum maintains its own database of TL 9000 accredited Certifications so we clearly understand the value and benefit of allowing organizations to easily verify the validity of certification.

The IAF proposal for a database of accredited certification will help to provide accurate and current data on accredited management system certification to all organizations throughout the world.

As supply chains grow more increasingly global and complex, the need for accurate and current data is more important than ever and the IAF community is uniquely positioned for collecting and sharing data on accredited certification.

As an IAF Association member organization, QuEST Forum is prepared to offer continued support for the development, launch and promotion of this global initiative and is committed to lending its voice and those of our individual members to the chorus of IAF members who support the IAF Database of Accredited Certifications.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ken Koffman', written in a cursive style.

Ken Koffman
CTO, QuEST Forum