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A NEW EVOLUTION FOR QUALITY MANAGEMENT IN THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY

One of the automotive industry's most widely used international standards for quality management, ISO/TS 16949, is set to evolve with the publication of a new global industry standard by the International Automotive Task Force (IATF).

ISO/TS 16949, a technical specification for automotive sector quality management systems, was first developed in 1999 by the IATF in conjunction with ISO's technical committee for quality management, ISO/TC 176. Since then, it has risen to be one of the most widely used international standards in the automotive industry, and aims to harmonize the different assessment and certification systems in the global automotive supply chain.

In October 2016 **IATF 16949:2016** will be published by IATF and will supersede and replace the current ISO/TS 16949, defining the requirements of a quality management system for organizations in the automotive industry.

It will be aligned with and refer to the most recent version of ISO's quality management systems standard, ISO 9001:2015. **IATF 16949:2016** will fully respect **ISO 9001:2015** structure and requirements.

IATF 16949:2016 is not a stand-alone quality management standard, but is implemented as a supplement to, and in conjunction with, ISO 9001:2015.

IATF will ensure continued alignment with ISO 9001 by maintaining strong cooperation with ISO, through its participation in ISO/TC176.

For more information about ISO see www.iso.org and for further information about **ISO 9001:2015** visit: www.iso.org/iso/iso_9000 or contact your local ISO member, details of which can be found at www.iso.org/iso/iso_members.

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