



# CONTACT

Newsletter of the International Academy for Quality

Dear Fellow-Academicians,

this year is fast coming to its close. As usual for the end of any year, commitments have a tendency to pile up faster than they can be handled. So I better hurry up and put my trusty typewriter into action in order to get this issue of CONTACT out. Hopefully, it will not have too much of a delay reaching you due to the avalanche of Christmas mail already in motion.

We welcome two new members to the Academy:

## Acn Jean Gabriel Moreau

Born May 22, 1927, Acn Moreau is a graduate Engineer from the Institute National Polytechnique in Grenoble (France). He started his professional career as a design engineer with Telemecanique, eventually responsible for Marine design services. An early interest for quality and reliability - only natural in this area - made him Reliability Department Manager. Today he is Corporate Director Quality and Reliability at Telemecanique.

Acn Moreau is a past-member of the Board of AFCIQ, has served as AFCIQ's secretary-general and is still member of its Technical Committee. A member of EOQC's Glossary committee and many other professional and technical societies, including ASQC. He teaches courses in Quality Assurance at the Ecole centrale des arts et manufactures, for AFCIQ and the Centre de recherche des chefs d'entreprises.

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## Acn Anthony Richard Stephenson

is our first member from New Zealand. He was born December 18, 1938, and has a Master's degree in Mechanical Engineering from Auckland University in New Zealand. After some years in industry he became lecturer in England and subsequently in New Zealand, his latest assignment being with the Swinburne Institute of Technology in Melbourne, Australia. His present occupation is Managing Director of International Consultants Ltd in Auckland. Acn Stephenson is in addition to that Technical Editor of the New Zealand Journal of QA. As one may expect, his papers and contributions to professional conferences are too numerous to be listed here. The same is true for his many memberships.

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We wish our new colleagues luck and welcome them as much-needed additional capacity to carry out our important work!

## Academics Emeriti

As you know, our constitution provides for the event that one of us is no longer able to serve actively in the Academy. This can happen for reasons of health or if our colleague assumes new responsibilities not closely connected with Quality problems proper. Emeritus status is accorded to those Academicians who have served the Academy well during their active life. In such cases, the Executive Committee makes the proposal and the Board must unanimously accept it. (The alternative is resignation from the Academy. That terminates membership. Any member can resign at any time without any questions asked).

Emeritus status has been accorded to

Acn Wilfred R. Thoday and Acn Frantisek Egermayer. Both our colleagues met the criteria to be kept, if inactively, in our membership. We wish both of them well and hope that they will not thoroughly disappear from the quality scene.

## Constitution revised

Our Secretary-General has the duty to monitor our constitution and to make proposals for amendments, if necessary. Our acting Secretary-General, Acn Zeller, has done just that. After obtaining unanimous consent by the other members of the Executive and the Board members, he has sent out a revised version for ballot by the entire Academy.

Please see to it that Acn Zeller gets your answers back before year's end. We want to start the year 1986 with a constitution that correctly reflects the way IAQ is operating.

## IAQ Projects

Our vice president, Acn Kondo, wants you to know the participation in current IAQ projects. He has prepared the list, which you will find attached to this issue. Please make sure that your name is listed with the proper project. Anyone wishing to join a project should contact the project leader. If he accepts the participation, the name will be officialy added to the list.

In this context, let me once again draw your attention to the last issue of CONTACT, page 4. Both, the Executive and Board mean business by asking you to live up to the requirements of IAQ membership. At present, just over 1/3 of our members have seen fit to participate actively in project work. Of course, there are other ways of getting actively engaged, but the catchword is ACTIVITY.

The current status of project 3 (leader Acn Gogue) is that the final draft has been issued to vice-president Kondo and other selected Academicians. Anyone interested to make comments for improvement may turn to the project leader. The same goes for project 6 (leader Acn Masing). The report should be available by the end of the year.

## Academics convene in China

We were certainly not the Marco Polos of IAQ when we travelled to Cathai this fall, because we had famous predecessors like Academics Harrington, Ishikawa, Kondo and Sandholm, but the turnout was nonetheless remarkable: No less than 14 Academics participated (if my records are correct!) at the Asia-Pacific Quality Congress in Beijing, China, October 21 to 25. They were Acns Crosby, Freund, Gatchalian, Harrington, Hurd, Ishikawa, Knowles, Kogure, Masing, Mizuno, Seghezzi, Schwander, Turello and Zaludova. Acns Kofoed and Sierra were listed among the participants, but I failed to meet them.

The opening of the function was impressive enough in the Great Hall of the People, the festive banquet marking the end of the congress even more so. Seasoned congress-goers admitted not to have witnessed such a magnificent setting before.

As for the content of the congress let me only say that the proceedings have more than 1000 pages. All Academics had some duties to perform as speakers, session chairmen or seminar leaders.

At the closing ceremony of the Congress the Asia-Pacific Quality Control Organization (APQCO) was officially founded with much ceremonial pomp. Acn Gatchalian had done most of the preparatory work (see CONTACT Nr 16), which fact was duly recognized. She, with Acns Harrington, Hurd and Mizuno were declared "Personal Charter Members of APQCO". Furthermore, she was elected Secretary-General of that organization, Acn Ishikawa became president, while the merits of Acn Harrington brought him the Honorary Presidency. Congratulations to all! Please don't forget the IAQ over so much new and additional work.

Acns Masing, Seghezzi, Schwander and Turello, forming (with Dr. John Goldsmith of U.K.) the official delegation of EOQC, went on a post-congress tour to give seminars in Kweilin and Canton. The latter took place, but the former had to be canceled due to logistic difficulties to get from point A to point B at a required time. Travellers in China beware! If anything pushes you out of your schedule there, you are hard put to get back on the track again. We managed, however, to get out of an embarrassing fix in Xian by a working combination of perseverance of our delegation's leader, Acn Seghezzi, the dedicated efforts of our interpreter-guides Miss Liu and Miss Penny and - not to forget - a nice amount of luck.

## Acn Turello honored

An extraordinary honour has been bestowed on Acn Turello by the Association Française pour le contrôle industriel de la qualité. He was elected by the Georges Borel award committee as the personality most worthy to receive it in 1985.

Our very cordial and sincere congratulations to you, Umberto! I'm sure our unforgettable colleague, member of the rule-setting "Six-Men-Board", Georges Borel, would himself not have been able to make a better choice.

## Thanks from Mexico

Acn Garcia-Arrecillas asks me to bring to your attention the following note:

I WANT TO ASK YOU TO PLEASE PUT A LITTLE NOTE IN CONTACT TO THANK, IN MY BEHAVE, THOSE ACADEMICIANS WHO WERESO KIND TO WRITE ME SHOWING THEIR CONCERN AND THEIR SOLIDARITY WITH ME AND MY COUNTRY, DURING THOSE DAYS. FORTUNATELY, THE PART OF THE CITY WHERE I LIVE WAS NOT AFFECTED AT ALL BY THE EARTHQUAKE, SO I DIDN'T HAVE ANY PERSONAL PROBLEMS OR LOSSES.

I HOPE TO SEE YOU IN PUEBLA IF THE CONGRESS IS HELD NEXT YEAR.

Yes, I myself (with other Academicians, notably Acn Feigenbaum) was scheduled to take an active part in the QC Congress at Puebla in October. The earthquake interrupted proceedings at the very last moment. The function is now announced for February 1986.

## Invoices for 1986

You will have noticed that you did not get an invoice for fiscal 1985/86. The reason is that Executive and Board have decided to change our fiscal year to the calendar year in order to make things simpler for many of us, including the accounting office. It was felt that we could do this without asking for dues for the rump-half-year 1985. Now our Secretary-General Zeller has prepared the invoice attached to this issue. Please see to it, that it is met without undue delay. Thank you!

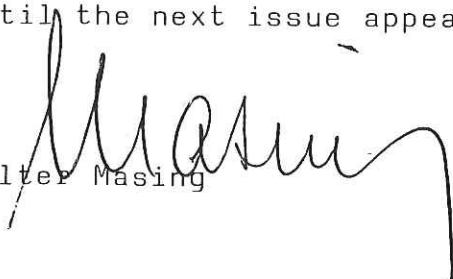
## Concluding this issue

Dear friends and colleagues, don't be angry with me if I will not send seasons greetings to each of you separately. Without a smooth-working secretariat and with too much really important work on hand I find myself unable to do, what would be the thing to do under different circumstances.

But rest assured that this is not out of neglect. I'm happy to serve you as best I can, and I will promise you to publish our CONTACT during the next year, while the German Society for Quality again takes the tab for mailing it. I do hope to stay in CONTACT with you!

Until the next issue appears

Walter Masing



IAQ Projects (November, 1985)

Project 1 to establish and implement a program of assistance to underdeveloped countries. Such assistance may take the form of:

- A. Providing a model quality control program for guidance in establishing and measuring progresses in the implementation of government and industrial quality control programs
- B. Guidance in establishing and/or strengthening a national society for quality control
- C. On-site assistance by individual academician

Leader : Acn E. Blanco  
Members: Aschner, Bertin, Freund, Hansen,  
Ishikawa, Knowles, Sierra

Project 2 to increase management understanding, leadership and participation in quality control by providing educational material through appropriate organizations such as chambers of industry and commerce to leaders of government and industry relative to the benefits accruing from a properly organized and implemented quality program.

Leader : Acn M.E. Liebman  
Members: Aschner, Bertin, Freund, Gatchalian,  
Grocock, Kofoed, Stephens

Project 3 assist universities and technical schools to develop and implement curriculum/courses in quality control methodologies.

Leader: Acn Jean-Marie Gogue  
Members: Aschner, Bertin, Freund, Garcia,  
Gatchalian, Jersin, Kusaba, Masing (Adviser),  
Sierra

Project 4 to produce a radio and television serious for the layman explaining and illustrating the role of quality control in improving the quality of life.

Leader: Acn H.J. Harrington  
Members: Bertin, Freund, Knowles

Project 5 to write the history and circumstances concerning IAQ, its organizations, its workings, its contribution to society as a whole, and a picture of the members of the academy, their work, writings and bibliography

Leader: Acn Ray Wachniak  
Members: Ishikawa, Zeller

Project 6 to determine the new quality technologies and methodologies required to meet the social and industrial challenges of the 90s.

Leader: Acn | W. Masing

Members: Hansen, Kofoed, Schwander, Seghezzi, Zeller

Project 7 to investigate the contents and conditions for publication afa "IAQ-Yearbook" as a possible outlet for project results and other original IAQ material, notably the introductory papers of the newly elected Academicians.

Leader: Acn | Zeller, with v-pr Kondo assisting

Project 8 to write a book entitled "Quality Control Approaches for Developing Countries."

Leader: Acn | M.M. Gatchalian

Members: not yet determined

(——: members confirmed by the project leader)