The QuISP Alumni Network

The building of an Alumni Network to enhance Sustainable Development through Quality Infrastructure leads to professional development and networking for participants of QuISP courses.
The Idea

Participation in the QuISP course provided participants with a solid knowledge about quality infrastructure and its elements, and the relevance for trade and sustainable development. So far, some 140 professionals from various institutions such as standards bodies, ministries of trade, trade promotion organizations and chambers of industry and commerce from regions around the world have participated.

The courses facilitated and encouraged communication and exchange among participants in one region. Some of these links have continued since the courses, but there was no network specifically designed to help this purpose.

Establishing a QuISP Alumni Network will offer the opportunity to bring participants together again and to also get in touch with alumni of courses implemented in other regions.

The Concept

A Network run for Alumni, with Alumni, and by Alumni.

The QuISP Alumni Network will be built upon the QuISP community across courses and geographical regions. It will support staying in touch with other participants from the same course and with participants from other courses, regions and countries.

The Network will be hosted by PTB; the Network’s success, however, relies on the participation and input from the Alumni from the QuISP courses.

The Alumni Network will be an online community – and beyond providing contacts – its main purpose will be to facilitate the exchange of information, knowledge, and experiences that members of the community would like to share with other members.

There will be the opportunity with support from PTB to invite guests to participate in online events to discuss specific topics of quality infrastructure of interest, to inform about latest developments on relevant QI issues, or to simply get an update on PTB projects that are being planned for a country or region.

What does the Alumni Network provide?
The frequency and type of activities will vary depending on active participation and contributions of Alumni. The format may include:

- Newsletters
- Webinars
- Podcasts
- A Q&A section
- Asynchronous and synchronous online discussions

Physical meetings are not foreseen, but these may be arranged locally by Alumni or as side event to conferences or similar where a number of alumni are expected to attend.

Who can join the Alumni Network?
The QuISP Alumni Network is open to all persons who have successfully participated in a QuISP course.

PTB hopes that all QuISP Alumni will join the Network, participate in the activities, and keep in touch with friends and contemporaries.

In addition, PTB may invite selected individuals or organizations that have an interest in quality infrastructure and who may bring additional benefits to the Network to take part in some or all the activities organized.

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