

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CERTIFICATE

## Limited validity of certificates based on ISO 9001:2008 und ISO 14001:2004

The new ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 14001:2015 came into force on 15 September 2015.

According to the "Joint IAF-ISO Communiqué on the publication and transition of ISO 9001:2015" published by the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) and ISO on 1 October 2015, the transition of all certificates based on ISO 9001:2008 und ISO 14001:2004 must be completed within 3 years of the coming into force of the ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 14001:2015 standards.

# For this reason, the validity of your new certificate which is enclosed with this letter expires on 14 September 2018.

The individual period of validity will be restored/defined after successful upgrading of your certificate to the new standard.

Your auditor will be happy to inform you about the further procedure for the transition to ISO 9001:2015 and/or ISO 14001:2015.

Please note that this regulation will also affect other standards.

### Customers certified according to ISO/TS 16949:

Based on the limitation imposed by the IAF (International Accreditation Forum), IATF communicated to all certification organisations that ISO/TS 16949:2009 certificates will also expire on **14 September 2018 at the latest**.

IATF will shortly publish an official Rules for Achieving IATF Recognition Sanctioned Interpretation (SI) on its website at <a href="https://www.iatfglobaloversight.org">www.iatfglobaloversight.org</a>.

In addition, IATF is continuing its work on defining the strategy for the transition of ISO/TS 16949:2009 to a version based on ISO 9001:2015.

### For clients certified according to EN91XX:

Publication of the revised edition of EN91XX (based on ISO 9001:2015) with a transition period of around 18 months is expected in late 2016.

Given this, IAQG has recommended that certification bodies also issue certificates issued after 14 September 2015 with their full 3-year period of validity, i.e. exceeding 14 September 2018 (even if they still refer to ISO 9001:2008).

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.