

Understanding quality assurance

36. What are the advantages of my becoming a Quality Assurance Assessor under ICP? How do I do it?

Becoming a Quality Assurance Assessor under ICP makes you stand out in the market as you will be able to review and certify IREE projects, which will not be the case of your competitors. IREE-Certified projects are high-quality projects that we hope will get better visibility in the market and better financing terms.

Being a Quality Assurance Assessor under ICP gives you access to the network of ICP Project Developers and so to potential clients.

In order to become a Quality Assurance Assessor, you need to apply through the europe.eeperformance.org website.

37. What qualifications do you require for quality assurance position?

QA Assessors will have been approved under the ICP approach.

QA Assessors are required to have verifiable relevant experience of at least three years in performing **third-party technical** quality assurance reviews. This should include experience reviewing work performed by **other firms** regarding baseline development, savings calculations, commissioning, operations, maintenance and monitoring, and M&V.

38. Following training for ICP project developer and quality assurance person, is there an exam for certification? How long can a firm be an ICP Project Developer or ICP Quality Assurance Assessor?

There is an on-line exam following the Quality Assurance training. Revalidation will be based on a three-year renewal cycle. The PD must either:

- 1. Complete one project development/certification in this period, and thus automatically qualify for renewal; or
- 2. Provide evidence of relevant continued professional development activity (for example, attending conferences, attending courses, producing papers) these would be validated on a case-by-case basis.

39. Is the ICP Quality Assurance Assessor an individual or the company?

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After an individual has completed the training and has been confirmed as qualified to be an ICP Quality Assurance Assessor (QAA), the company will be part of ICP's network of ICP Quality Assurance Assessors.

40. Do you provide trainings especially linked to a project or can you train a larger audience?

The trainings are for project developers and for quality assurance providers. There is the possibility of individualised training for large organisations with early adopter projects.

41. Who confirms an individual is qualified to be an ICP Quality Assurance Assessor?

The ICP project partner VERCO delivers confirmation upon review of application and provided the individual has taken the Quality Assurance Assessor training.

42. Who pays for the Certification?

At the current time, the European Commission funds the project and all costs are borne by the project. However, the project does not pay for the time spent by the project developer.

43. How much do the Quality Assurance Services cost?

There is no cost during the execution of the Horizon 2020 project funded by the European Commission. When the project is rolled out in the market following the completion of the Horizon 2020 project, market conditions will determine what the costs will be.