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Dear colleagues!

At the beginning of my three years presidency I would like to make a statement which represents for me a personal goal, which I wish to accomplish together with all of you.

The year 2008 is the starting point of a new era in the life of the EOQ, taking into account we have defined the EOQ mission and vision and we have changed quite a lot in our organizational structure.

We defined our vision as EOQ should become the Europe's leading promoter of Quality.

In order to transpose this vision into reality, we have to act together on internal level, by:

- Improving the organization of the EOQ (implement a quality management system)
- Improving the image of the EOQ (new homepage)
- Developing a Marketing strategy and tools for the EOQ and its members
- Gaining results in its core activities (promotion of PRU by its new products)
- Promoting and developing other EOQ products (BLC re-launch, promotion of EVROS)

and external level, by:

- Finding the way to the EU
- Opening to the Mediterranean countries
- Developing an international network
- Close cooperation with EA, IAF, ISO, CASCO
- Awarding of outstanding people

We all should clearly understand that by accomplishing these goals, we are acting not only to the benefit of the EOQ but first of all to the benefit of our organizations.

I strongly believe that through the full commitment of all our members, we will succeed to accomplish our common vision!

Viktor Seitschek

EOQ President

1st of July, 2008

52 EOQ Congress Vienna

On 4 June, the 52nd European Quality Management Congress of Quality Austria and the European Organization for Quality started in the Wiener Hofburg. Altogether 500 congress participants from 55 countries took part in a three-day programme.

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Numerous examples from practice showed the variety of purposes for which quality management can be used. Further international examples of success stories and a panel discussion with renowned participants followed on 5 and 6 June.

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Egyptian SEKEM Model as a guarantor for top quality for food



The Laureate of the Alternative Nobel Peace Prize Dr. Ibrahim Abouleish presented his SEKEM Initiative, which he had founded in the Egyptian desert in 1977. "At SEKEM, it is a question of combining traditional oriental knowledge with modern findings of organic-dynamic agriculture," said Dr. Ibrahim Abouleish.

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EOQ Congress Vienna Quality Experts



The Laureates of Quality Prizes can increase their share prices by 36%
The quality management experts Dr. Louise Boulter and Prof. Tony Bendell from Great Britain presented a study made at the University of Leicester. This study shows the effect of the presentation of a Quality Award on the future business activities of an organization.

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EQL2008 PR



A Quality Leader is a Leader in an organization having succeeded in moving the organization to success for the different stakeholders through his leadership and through the change and Quality Processes he has implemented directly through his team.

And the winner is...

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53 EOQ Congress Dubrovnik



Quality in an Age of Transition

We are, individually and collectively, entering a time of transition on the way to something really new. Through new ideas and alternative quality perspectives, we are striving to create an adaptive, environment friendly and socially responsible society.

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Panel Discussion with Dr. Kurt Hofstädter

Dr. Kurt Hofstädter, MBA, is a member of the Managing Board of Siemens AG Österreich (Siemens PLC Austria), where he manages the sector Industry in the CEE cluster, which meanwhile includes 17 countries. In the past few years, Kurt Hofstädter has been jointly responsible for the successful integration of VA Tech.

Speaker Erwin Kotányi

Mag. Erwin Kotányi is the Manager of Kotányi Ltd, an Austrian family owned business with a 125 years' history. The company is successfully active in 20 countries and has meanwhile become the leading manufacturer of spices in Central and Eastern Europe.

Speaker David J. Kelly

David J. Kelly has been the Manager of Worthington Cylinders Ltd. in Kienberg, Lower Austria, since June 2001. Worthington Cylinders is the worldwide leading manufacturer of pressure vessels. The seamless steel cylinders are sold in more than 70 countries worldwide.

Closing-Speech by Dr. Franz Fischler

Dr. Franz Fischler was appointed Federal Minister of Agriculture and Forestry in Austria in 1989. From 1995 to 1999, he was EU Commissioner for Agriculture and Rural Development and from 1999 to 2004, he was responsible for European fishing policy.



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