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In This Issue of "The Globe"

Welcome to this spring edition of The Globe. The long winter is finally over. QMII is committed to the success of its clients and is preparing to assist alumni and our clients with their management system meeting objectives and delivering cash even faster.

Maritime Security continues to be one of the countries primary areas of attention. In this issue we focus on USCG-approved Vessel Personnel with Designated/Specific Security Duties (VPDSD) course to our <u>maritime course offerings</u>.

Exemplar Global (RABQSA) audit of QMII system as related to RABQSA training also finds a mention to provide confidence to our readers of the quality of our training and its continual improvement.

Missed the February newsletter? Catch up on the last issue of the <u>The Globe</u>.

QMII Adds USCG-Approved VPDSD Course to its Maritime Training

The 2010 amendments to the STCW require all mariners assigned specific security duties, serving on a vessel to which the STCW applies, to have a <u>Vessel Personnel with Designated/Specific Security Duties (VPDSD) endorsement.</u> The 2010 STCW amendments entered into force on January 1, 2012 and all

QMII Virtual Training



QMII continues to offer training in a virtual classroom environment. See our training schedule in this issue for specific dates.

QMII in Pictures



Maritime Security training for the Trinidad & Tobago Coast Guard at Port of Spain (03/25 to 03/28) mariners were given until January 1, 2014 to comply. While the United States has yet to enact regulations requiring mariners to comply with the 2010 STCW amendments, they are in effect internationally. Mariners on foreign voyages to which STCW applies are encouraged to complete the training and have the endorsements timely.

QMII, a leader in maritime training, is committed to offering the best and latest training to its clients and alumni. We have added a USCG Approved course for Vessel Personnel with Specific Security Duties (complying with STCW A-VI/6.6-8, ISPS Code B/13.3 and 33 CFR parts 104.220) to our list of maritime offerings. This is a one day course and is offered both as a public and in-house option. The course is run concurrent with a USCG approved course for Port Facility personnel with Designated Security Duties in compliance with 33 CFR 105.210 and ISPS Code B/18.2.

QMII recently conducted the VPDSD training for T&T CG and other public participants in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago (see photo below).



Instructor IJ Arora with Trinidad & Tobago Coast Guard at Port of Spain

QMII's training is widely recognized and respected for its unique mix of lectures and workshops that keep the candidates engaged throughout the course giving them hands experience with 'real –world' scenarios, ready to implement and meet the organizational objectives.



Trinidad & Tobago Coast Guard proudly presents the memento crest to our President and CEO Captain IJ Arora



QMII Team bonds and enjoys a delicious Indian lunch buffet during the off-site in Ashburn, VA

To see more of our work in pictures, visit our <u>Facebook</u> page.



RABQSA Audit of QMII

As most of our readers will know RABQSA recently changed its name to Exemplar Global (See November 2013 Newsletter).

QMII offers a number of Exemplar Global (EG) certified courses. As part of the certification process, EG audits our procedures and system as related to EG training. The EG auditor specifically reported on the "robustness of processes" and "management's commitment to continual improvement". QMII clients and alumni will again be pleased to note our commitment to the process-based approach and in practicing what we preach! The office audit was conducted remotely. Remote audits are an option with revised ISO 19011. QMII itself, a pioneer in the remote audit concept, recently audited a manufacturing firm in Vietnam for a US client. QMII has been leveraging technology to innovate and provide the best value to our clients.

Upcoming QMII Instructor-Led and Virtual Training

As a certified training organization, QMII's goal is to provide professionals with learning opportunities for understanding processes and systems as they relate to any organization. See our schedule of upcoming public classes below:

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ISM Auditor	
Dates	Location
May 3-4	Virtual Class
May 5-6	Miami, FL
May 19-20	San Diego, CA
VSO/CSO/PFSO (concurrent with ISPS Auditor)	
May 7-9	Miami, FL
May 21-23	San Diego, CA
ISO 9001 Lead Auditor	
Apr 28-May 1	Raleigh/Durham, NC
May 5-8	Virtual Class
ISO 14001 Lead Auditor	
Apr 28-May 2	Houston, TX
ISO 13485 Lead Auditor	
May 19-23	Virtual Class
ISO 28000 Lead Auditor	
Jun 9-13	Bethesda, MD
RC14001/RCMS Lead Auditor	
Jun 9-13	Pittsburg, PA

Please <u>contact us</u> to register for the courses listed or inquire about other training opportunities.

Meet The Team



Ravi Mittal is the Manager Accounts at QMII. Ravi has over 25 years of accounting experience including financial audits to ensure compliance with relevant international accounting policies and regulations. He holds a Master's degree in commerce and a Bachelor's degree in Law. He is also a certified CMA.

Ravi diligently oversees all dailv functions of the accounting department including payroll, invoices and other company accounts to ensure satisfied employees and customers. Ravi passionate about accounting and is currently pursuing an Internal Auditor (Accounting) certification.

MLC 2006: The End of the CDC

A CDC (Continuous Discharge Certificate) or 'Seamen's Book' as it is also called, is a very important document for seafarers; it is an immediate recognition of a mariner. A passport holds importance on land but for those on the high seas a CDC holds more value. However, the life cycle of the CDC is probably nearing its end with the ratification of MLC 2006.

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QMII Keeps Up With Changes

QMII while maintaining our 26 plus years tradition of excellence is keeping up with changes to meet new customer demands while ensuring its core of quality services is maintained as we implement the changes.

Best Regards,

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directly to the **QMII** CEO Blog.

Testimonials

Read about what one student had to say on his blog about a recent QMII course he attended by clicking here.

Have you seen what other alumni have to say about our training? View other alumni testimonials here.

Join the Conversation

Join the conversation with QMII and check out our blogs and tweets: <u>CEO's Blog</u> and <u>QMII Blog</u> and <u>Twitter page</u>.

Connect with the QMII President and CEO through LinkedIn.



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