



MUTUAL RECOGNITION AGREEMENT

entered into by and between

THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICAN QUANTITY SURVEYORS
and
THE AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF QUANTITY SURVEYORS

Whereas The Association of South African Quantity Surveyors (ASAQS) and the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (AIQS) have agreed to enter into a Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) for the benefit of their respective members and to strengthen the relationship between both parties.

In achieving this, both the ASAQS and the AIQS recognize equivalency in each other's membership entry and advancement standards (educational and professional), and agree that:

1. A Professional Member (PMAQS) of the ASAQS in good standing may be elected to Member grade (MAIQS) of AIQS subject to:
 - a. The provision of a letter of good standing from the ASAQS confirming the applicant is CPD compliant, has no outstanding complaints, and is a fully financial member (MAQS).
 - b. Providing evidence of satisfactory completion of the AIQS Code of Conduct module.
 - c. Compliance with any additional requirements as per this MRA.
 - d. Subsequent election to any other membership category, and ongoing membership of the AIQS will be subject to the requirements set out in the AIQS Constitution, By-Laws and Regulations.
2. A Member grade (MAIQS) of the AIQS in good standing may be elected as a Member (MAQS) of the ASAQS subject to:
 - a. The provision of a letter of good standing from the AIQS confirming that they are a Member grade Member (MAIQS).
 - b. One year's professional quantity surveying practice in South Africa in circumstances that will enable the ASAQS to confirm the professional activities undertaken. During this period, the applicant will be required to maintain a detailed record of their experience, followed by;
 - c. A professional competence interview conducted by the ASAQS to assess and confirm the applicant's knowledge of law and practice in South Africa
 - d. Subsequent election to any other membership category, and ongoing membership of the ASAQS will be subject to the requirements set out in the appropriate ASAQS Constitution, By-Laws and Regulations.
3. This agreement does not apply to any member of the ASAQS or AIQS who has been elected to membership by either body through a reciprocity agreement with other professional bodies.
4. Irrespective of the above, each professional body reserves the right to deny membership, or extend the requirements or practice experience period for any applicant under this agreement, if the applicant does not satisfy all relevant criteria.
5. The terms in this Agreement have the same meanings as in the current and respective Constitution, By-Laws, Rules, and Regulations of the AIQS and the ASAQS as at the date of this Agreement. Each professional body will notify the other of any merger or major constitutional changes.
6. The AIQS and the ASAQS agree to exchange professional research and knowledge and to co-operate on any topics of mutual interest or raise on matters of mutual concern.
7. This Agreement will remain in force for an initial period of five (5) years from the date of signature thereof, whereafter the agreement will be subject to review and renewal by mutual agreement of both parties.

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Stephen Warne, FAIQS, CQS
President

The Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors

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Newton Baloyi, Pr.QS, PMAQS
President

The Association of South African Quantity Surveyors

Dated: 24 September 2023