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0. Home

1. About NQAT

The National Quality Association of Tanzania (NQAT) is a member-based association, which acts as a National Quality Platform for sustainable development. It brings together under one umbrella all quality professionals, practitioners and interested stakeholders across the public and private sectors with the sole purpose of stimulating and promoting quality awareness, knowledge and undertakings for the benefit of quality and productivity in industries, commerce, services and the general public.

To this end, particular emphasis is placed upon activities focusing on quality undertakings, among others are:

- Maintaining the platform for networking and exchanging of experiences, challenges and opportunities in the field of quality among people, organizations and institutions; in pursuit of this, the association organizes an annual event famously known as [Tanzania Quality Summit \(TQS\)](#). Within the summit, the association runs Interactive Expert Exchange sessions, Panel Discussion, Instructional Lectures, an Advanced Course in Quality field as well as sharing of successful stories, further to that, members get an opportunity to showcase their services and products;
- Strengthening the knowledge of its members on quality through learning on continuous basis;
- Advocating for quality in products and services;
- Promoting quality competitiveness in MSMEs and large enterprises in both local and international markets, and
- Promoting quality culture in the country, just to mention a few. .

NQAT was established by the pool of quality experts from both public and private sector whose capacities were enhanced under the Market Access Upgrade Programme, which was implemented by the International Trade Centre under the auspice of European Union. It was incorporated on 6th day of December 2019 with certificate of incorporation No. 140554340 as a liability limited by guarantee, which means all funds generated are used exclusively in the pursuit of the Association's objectives.

In terms of its legal structure, NQAT was established as a non-profit organization and all funds are used exclusively in the pursuit of the association's aims.

1.1. Our mission

To address quality through facilitating access of professional and technical assistance to MSMEs and larger enterprises in Tanzania.

1.2. Our vision

To become an epicentre pool of professionals and experts for stimulating quality knowledge and confronting all quality related hurdles in both private and public sectors

1.3. Our core values

1.4. Our main activities

For a year now, founding members have played a significant role in providing technical quality management system support to various SMEs from different sectors in Tanzania.

1.5. Governance

NQAT is led by a board of directors/steering committee, and managed by a Chief Executive Officer with the support of a senior leadership team as revealed on the [organogram](#).

2. What We Do

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3. Membership

The Members of NQAT is composed of both an individual or institution working on and/or interested in quality related issues. **NQAT Individual Membership** connects him/her with a diverse, global network of quality thought leaders, experts and resources. For an organizations which is enthusiastic to increase its focus on advancing a culture of quality-based practices to accelerate business value and drive growth. **NQAT Organizational Membership** provides organizations of all sizes the resources and tools to further their pursuit of performance excellence.

Join an association of prominent quality professionals and stakeholders who are dedicated to implementing quality performance improvements in industry, government, academia and consulting, etc.

Use the links below to review requirements and apply for the type of membership that fits you best. Online application forms are also available for each member type.

Use sample [Apply | ASQ](#) (please use this format to customize the plugin for application also put into three stage, stage 1 someone applied, then we receive his credential review it and give him a preliminary approval so that s/he can proceed with payments, and he will submit the payment slip online then after confirmation of his/her payment we will enrol him/he within 14 working days).

3.1. Membership Categories

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| Annual subscription fees | Individual | | | Organization* | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Non Active | Active | Student | Micro and small enterprises | Medium enterprises | Large enterprises |
| | \$0 | \$100 | \$25 | \$250 | \$500 | \$1,500 |
| Membership benefits** | Member currently enrolled but haven't paid annual subscription fees | currently enrolled and has paid annual subscription fees | currently enrolled and has paid annual subscription fees | currently enrolled and has paid annual subscription fees | currently enrolled and has paid annual subscription fees | currently enrolled and has paid annual subscription fees |
| Access to the public information on NQAT website | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Specialty Sections | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Volunteer/Appointed Committees | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Meeting & training discounts | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Members-only webinars | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Mentoring Program | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Members access-only website content | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Newsletters & technical papers | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Access to NQAT Database | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| MSMEs competitiveness enhancing programme | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Voting privileges | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Elected positions | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ |

* Organization will categorize itself whether it will fall under micro and small, medium or larger enterprises. However, the level of supporting effort will differ based on the selected categorization i.e number of hours and experts will be minimum in the micro and will increase in the larger enterprises.

** The stipulated benefits might change or its full realization might delay due to the ongoing customization and operationalization of the association. Moreover, the secretariat is working hard to ensure early realization.

*** **IMPORTANT NOTE:** NQAT membership is based on a calendar year operating from 1 July through 31 June of the following year, and membership dues are NOT pro-rated. Please see our [Dues Refund Policy](#).

3.2. Membership Benefits

There are a number of career benefits to being an NQAT member:

- Participation in Specialty Section Communities

Collaborate with fellow members who have a special interest similar to yours. Network and build your knowledge in your area of special interest. Each Specialty Section has its own online community on NQAT Connect / tqa App for discussion of relevant topics. Several sponsor sessions at the Tanzania Quality Summit. Some collaborate on technical papers or webinars. [View a list of NQAT Specialty Sections](#).

- Participation in Volunteer and Appointed Committees

Members will have the obligations to contribute to the quality society by participating in NQAT Committees helps to shape the direction of the Society. Volunteer and Appointed Committees are open to all categories of membership. [View a list of NQAT Committees.](#)

- Discounts on registration fees for meetings and training
Members will have a 20% discounts on registration fees to NQAT events such as the annual flagship conference i.e [Tanzania Quality Summit](#). Member will enjoy the special registration prices in addition to the benefits of networking with his/her peers!
- Members-only webinars
Member will have an access to webinars exclusively for NQAT members! [See details.](#)
- Eligibility for the Mentoring Program
The NQAT Mentoring Program gives members the opportunity to grow professionally by establishing a temporary partnership with another member, as a mentee or mentor. A number of participants have found it useful to keep up the partnership on an informal basis after completing the program. You can now join this program at any time of the year! [Learn more about the Mentoring Program.](#)
- Members-only website content
Webinar and NQAT Connect Lounge recordings
Searchable database of hundreds information
Toolbox with templates and example documents
Job postings
Searchable member directory
Updates on current regulatory issues and trends
International regulatory documents
Reference documents created by Specialty Sections
Regulatory Q&A database containing hundreds of regulatory questions that have been answered by key authority representatives e.g TBS, TMDA, NEMC etc
Opportunity to advertise as a Member Consultant
and more!
- e-Newsletters and technical papers
Quality Matters e-newsletters are published six times per year and offer feature articles on Quality topics, regulatory hot topic links, updates on the activities of NQAT Specialty Sections and Committees, and technical papers published as special supplements to the newsletter. [Learn more about our publications.](#)
- Access to NQAT Database
An opportunity to access several publications and articles from the strong network of the association.
- MSMEs competitiveness enhancing programme
An opportunity to be enrolled into competitiveness enhancing programme whereby experts will be assigned to your enterprises to improve the operationalization and productivity with the objective of improving firm`s competitiveness.
- Voting privileges

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Active members only. Members who have met the qualifications for Active category membership are eligible to vote for Board members and members of Elected Committees, and to vote on proposed [MEMARTS](#) amendments.

- Elected positions
 - **Active members only.** Members who have met the qualifications for Active category membership are eligible to stand for election to the Board of Directors and/or Elected Committees.

3.3. Membership Dues Refund Policy

If any applicant for membership to the NQAT requests a refund for his/her membership fees, such a request must be made in writing to association via e-mail to membership@tqa.or.tz

Refund requests will be filled as follows:

- If an individual requests to terminate his/her membership prior to his/her payment being processed by NQAT, then NQAT will simply not process the payment for that application. The applicant will forfeit no money.
- If an individual requests a refund after his/her membership application has been processed but prior to receiving membership approval and materials, that person will receive a refund of his/her membership fees minus a \$25.00 processing fee.
- No refunds will be given after membership materials have been distributed to an individual.
- No refunds will be given if a request is made more than 30 days after the membership application has been submitted.
- If a company pays membership fees on behalf of an individual, the company will under no circumstances receive a refund unless the individual requests that his or her membership be terminated and a refund issued. Such a request must meet all requirements listed above.

4. Resources

- Board and Management updates for members
- Annual meetings
- Mentoring programme

The Mentoring Program is a service provided to NQAT members whereby the [Mentoring Program Committee \(MPC\)](#) establishes a temporary partnership between two members for the purpose of education and networking.

- MSMEs competitiveness enhancing programme
- Specialty section
- Committees
- Members directory
- NQAT Connect Lounge
- Career center
 - Job opportunities
 - Resume tips
 - Interview tips

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- Testimonials
- Business Skills Developments
- Members interviews
- Webinars
 - Upcoming Webinars
 - NQAT periodically organizes webinars for its members on a variety of **regulatory quality assurance topics**. Webinars often are free for NQAT members. Occasionally, a webinar is offered for both members and non-members.
 - Webinars in Planning

The following webinars have been approved but registration details are pending. Dates and titles are subject to change.

NQAT Member Wide Webinars

 - TBD: TMDA GLP Activities.
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NQAT Webinar Series for both members and non members

 - TBD: Root cause analysis.
 - .
 - Interested in presenting a webinar?
 - member who are interested to present should fill the Webinar Request Form! Webinar presentations should generally be offered to all NQAT members and/or non-members. Moreover, webinars must be approved by the NQAT Continuous Learning Committee before they are scheduled.

Webinar Request Form
- Toolbox with templates and example documents
- Publications
 - Newsletters
 - Technical Articles
 - Articles submission
 - Advertisement opportunities

5. Events

NQAT connects the quality community in Tanzania through events, conferences, and meetings throughout the year. Our flagship event is Tanzania Quality Summit (TQS), on top of that, we also organizes:

- National quality Award in collaboration with other keys stakeholders to recognize the efforts made by quality professional and stakeholders in the country with a calendar year;
- Breakfast meetings;

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- Symposia in commemoration of various quality days across the global such as World Quality Day, World Standards Day, Global Food Safety Day etc;
- And so much more.

6. Media centre

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- Online communities

NQAT operates various social media with the common agenda of advocating quality and quality improvements. We are also a member of EAC quality compass, a home of a robust group of communities at the local and regional levels.