

Quality Movement in the United Arab Emirates

At the invitation of Hong Kong Society for Quality (HKSQ), Sunil Thawani, American Society for Quality (ASQ) Country Councilor for United Arab Emirates (UAE) made a presentation on “Quality Movement in the UAE” on 18th August 2006 to members of ASQ and HKSQ, as well as other quality professionals at The Hong Kong Polytechnic University. HKSQ, which celebrates its 20th Anniversary in 2006, is one of the World Partners of ASQ.

Ir. Dr. Albert H.C. Tsang, Chairman of HKSQ and Principal Lecturer at The Hong Kong Polytechnic University chaired Mr. Sunil Thawani’s presentation which provided a brief overview of UAE and the various ongoing initiatives in the field of Quality, Business Excellence, and ISO: 9000, like Dubai Quality Award, Sheikh Khalifa Excellence Award, Dubai Government Excellence Program, Dubai Service Excellence Program, Six Sigma, and activities of various professional organizations like Dubai Quality Group and ASQ.

Attendees were very keen to know about the challenges faced by quality professionals, commitment of leadership to quality, as well as interest in and success of Six Sigma in the region.



Mr. Lotto K.H. Lai, Vice Chairman of HKSQ, and Dr. K S Chin, ASQ Country Councilor in Hong Kong and founding member of Asian Network of Quality (ANQ) were also present at the event. On behalf of Hong Kong Society for Quality, Dr. Albert presented a beautiful memento and a copy of HKSQ’s 20th Anniversary Commemorative Publication to Mr. Sunil Thawani.