

EXPERIENCES WITH A QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM CONFORMING TO ISO 9001:2008 REQUIREMENTS



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WHY SYSTEMATIC QUALITY MANAGEMENT IS ESSENTIAL

- To expedite reaction to user needs and expectations
- > To establish an effective management system
- > To motivate the staff and to develop the quality culture
- To strengthen cooperation with stakeholders
- To enable effective organization of institution's activity and well-balanced distribution of resources
- To assure continuous improvement



MAIN PHASES OF IMPLEMENTATION OF QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

- Decision and support of Top management
- Appointment of responsible staff (quality manager, working group)
- > Analysis of existing quality frameworks and their applicability to organization
- Decision on the quality framework(s) to be implemented
- Presentation of requirements of the framework (in our case-ISO 9001) to staff
- Analysis of current situation (identification of drawbacks), learning
- Preparation of documentation
- Implementation of the system
- Internal audit and improvement actions
- Management review and improvement of the system

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MAIN ELEMENTS OF QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM CONFORMING TO ISO

Quality manager

- ✓ Coordination of introduction of quality management system
- ✓ Overall quality management across the institution
- Definition of the processes, identification of their interactions and sequences, appointment of process owners
- Documentation of quality management system (quality policy and quality tasks, quality manual, process map, etc.)
 - ✓ Management rules for Production of statistics process and responsibility
 - ✓ Methodology and quality division institutional level
 - ✓ Survey managers survey level
- Analysis of the efficiency of quality management system

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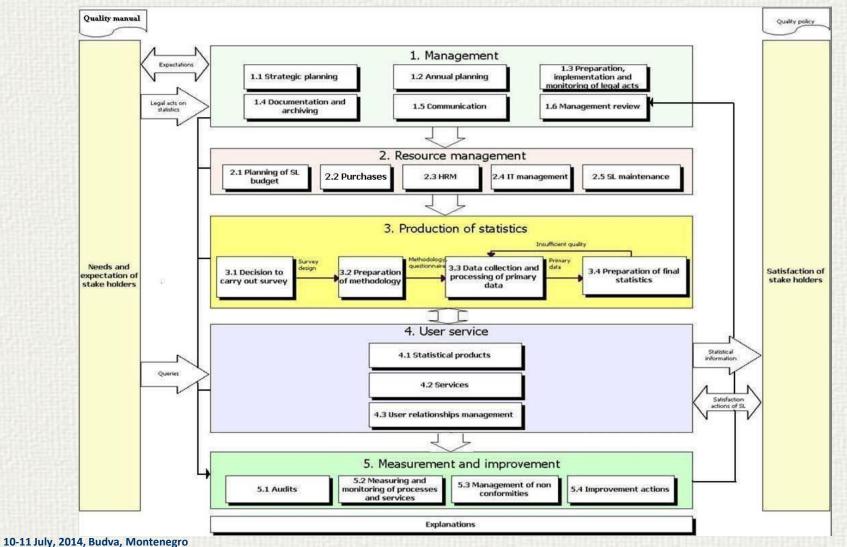


IMPLEMENTATION OF QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM BASED ON ISO

- 2002 Start of systematic quality work: the first working group on quality established and a working plan made
- 2003 Pilot survey on the quality of the statistical production process and products
- 2005–2007 Creation and implementation of the system: establishment of process map, appointment of process owners, documentation, learning
- > 2007 Internal audit of the system, improvement
- 2007 Certification of the system against ISO 9001:2000
- 2008–2010 Assessment, monitoring and development
- 2010 Certification of the system against ISO 9001:2008
- 2013 Recertification of the system against ISO 9001:2008



PROCESSES OF STATISTICS LITHUANIA



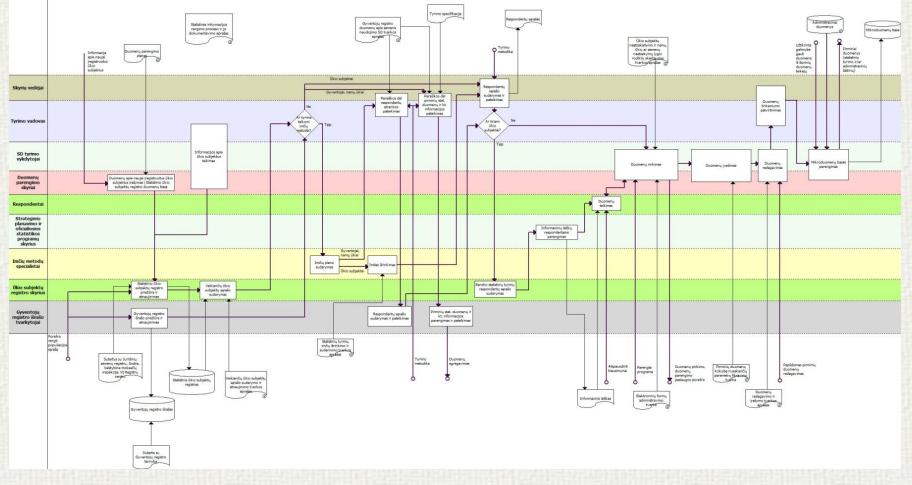


DESCRIPTION OF STATISTICAL PROCESS

- Description in written form:
 - ✓ identification of the main steps
 - ✓ description of the main principles
 - ✓ guidelines
 - ✓ documentation
- Graphical presentation (QPR Process Guide):
 - ✓ identification of the main steps
 - ✓ main participants
 - ✓ regulations
 - ✓ guidelines

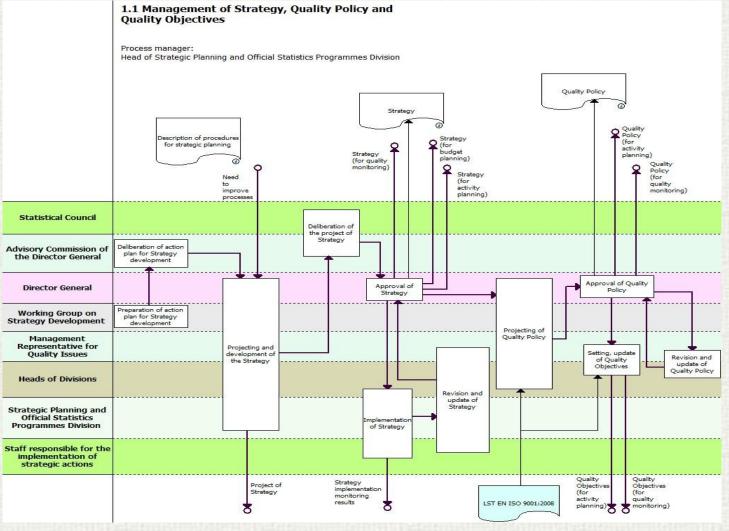


EXAMPLE: PROCESS OF DATA COLLECTION AND PROCESSING OF PRIMARY DATA





PROCESS OF STRATEGIC AND QUALITY PLANNING





QUALITY POLICY OF STATISTICS LITHUANIA

Statistics Lithuania commits itself:

- > To better meet the needs for statistical information of various user groups
- > To develop the dissemination of official statistics through the Official Statistics Portal
- To strengthen cooperation with respondents motivating them to provide high quality statistical data
- To strengthen the coordination of institutions managing official statistics, to encourage institutions managing European statistics to implement the provisions of the European Statistics Code of Practice
- To improve the quality management system
- To enhance interinstitutional and international cooperation in the area of statistics through active participation in legislative processes in Lithuania and the European Statistical System
- To foster initiative and responsibility, improve qualification and enhance competence, increase motivation of staff
- To use resources responsibly and to implement measures enabling the preservation of the environment.



STRATEGY OF STATISTICS LITHUANIA FOR 2013–2017

Strategic objective – to improve quality & accessibility of statistical services & products by rationally using resources & without increasing statistical burden for respondents

More efficient production of statistical information

Higher quality services to users Enhancement of institutional environment

Link to Strategy: http://www.osp.stat.gov.lt/documents/29256/1366419/Strategy_2013-2017.pdf



ISO AND EUROPEAN STATISTICS CODE OF PRACTICE

ISO based Quality management system is a good framework for the implementation of the Code of Practice

- Management rules, structure, processes and responsibilities are clearly defined and documented
- Performance results are planned and pursued purposefully
- Quality assessment and improvement methods and tools are implemented in a clear and systematic way
- Quality policy and objectives are defined and regularly updated





QUALITY ASSESSMENT AND IMPROVEMENT METHODS AND TOOLS USED AT STATISTICS LITHUANIA

Management

- EFQM self-assessment
- Quality management audits
- Management of non-conformities

Production of statistics

- Monitoring of performance indicators
- DESAP self-assessment of survey managers
- Testing and revising of statistical questionnaires
- Statistical audits

User service

User satisfaction surveys

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MONITORING OF PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The set of regularly monitored performance indicators covers:

- ESS quality indicators
- Indicators related to time used for different statistical processes
- Indicators related to characteristics of processes

Measurement

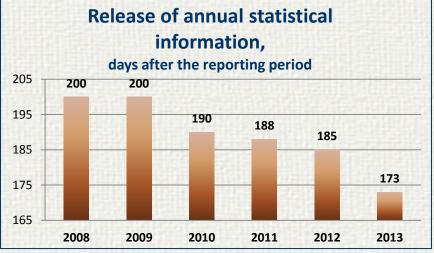
- Measures are compared with critical values which are defined for the performance indicators
- Regular analysis is made at survey and institutional levels

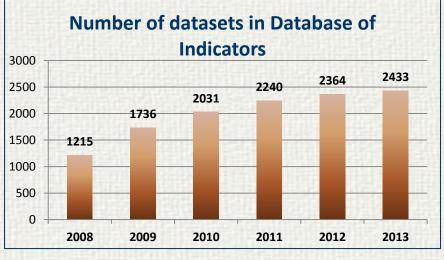
Decision-making

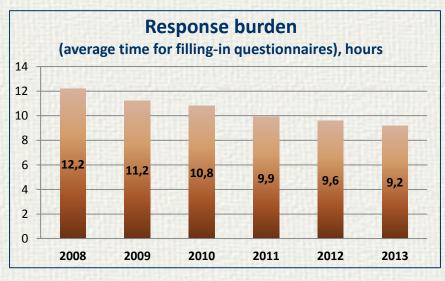
Monitoring results are widely discussed in the Director General Advisory Commission meetings and decisions for further improvements are made

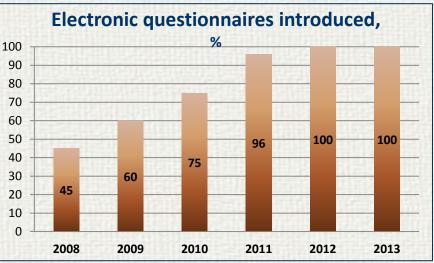


EXAMPLES OF MONITORING RESULTS









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STAFF INVOLVEMENT IN QUALITY WORK

- Possibility to inform about non-conformities and to contribute to quality improvement
- Self-assessment of survey managers (DESAP)
- Staff involvement in the decision-making process
- Performance of staff satisfaction surveys

Full staff involvement and support are essential for the implementation and development of a quality management system



GENERAL COMMENTS

- Quality management is effective only when it is systematic
- Regardless of which quality model is used, definition and documentation of main processes facilitate the quality work in many aspects
- Staff attitude and feeling about the institution and quality of output they produce are essential for the effective quality management
- Initiative and support of the Top management play very important role in implementation of quality principles







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