

Integration Strategies

1. Conversion

If an organisation has a certificated quality management system, it can build upon that by adding the necessary processes to satisfy additional environmental and health and safety requirements.

2. Merging Management Systems

If an organisation has more than one formal system - e.g. a quality management system and an environmental management system - it can merge the two systems and proceed to integrate other systems. With this method the organisation can merge documentation easily.

3. Management System Engineering Approach

Whether an organisation has an existing formal system or no formal system, it can adopt the system engineering approach, i.e. design a system top-down to fulfil a specific objective. The benefits are that one coherent system can be built which serves business needs rather than satisfies management system standard requirements.