April 2021



"Pre-application consultation" will become compulsory.

(Effective from 2022, for applicants overseas planning to apply for the TQM diagnosis from 2023/the Deming Prize from 2024)

The Deming Prize Committee

It is a pre-announcement that the "Pre-Application Consultation" carried out by the Deming Prize Examination Committee members to provide the general advice on the Deming Prize application including eligibility, application scope, etc., will become compulsory from 2022.

This revision will be made applicable for "The Application Guide for The Deming Prize/The Deming Grand Prize 2022 For Companies and Organizations Overseas".

A resolution on the revision will formally be discussed for approval at the Deming Prize Committee meeting scheduled in October 2021. For this reason, the contents may partly be changed. Please refer to the following for points of revision.

■ Points of revision

For companies and organizations overseas

- To be eligible for the Deming Prize, the "TQM Diagnosis by the Deming Prize Committee" is a mandatory requirement for companies and organizations overseas. The "Pre-Application Consultation" will become compulsory to be carried out by September, the preceding year of the TQM Diagnosis application.
- Application is to be made by 3 months prior to the desired month of conduct.

**Refer to p6 of the Application Guide 2021 for the current rule

Overall flow from now to the revision)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
FY2021	Pre-announcement											
FY2022	2 Effective from Jan.(Pre-Application Consultation to be compulsory)											
						VlaaA			Cond.			
						by June			by Sep			
FY2023	TQMD	2/20										
~	*1	Due										
FY2024	DP*2	2/20										
~		Due										

*1)TQMD: TQM Diagnosis by the Deming Prize Committee *2)DP: Deming Prize

Please take note of the revision if you plan to apply for the TQM Diagnosis by the Deming Prize Committee in and after 2023.