


**A Quality Model for Residential
Houses Construction Processes**

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Introduction


- In general, construction of houses consists of **individual processes** leading to an individual building; for residential houses the processes may be standarizable to a certain extent.
- **SMEs are the most active players** in the residential houses sector: problems to build up a quality management system (too expensive and time-consuming)
- **Quality demands and competition are rising** in the construction sector.
- **Lack of general quality description** in the construction industry.

Need for a general quality model !

Need for a quality support tool for SMEs !

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Project QuCon

Development of a Real Time Quality Support System for the Houses Construction Industry



Financing:
 AIF /
 European
 Commission


Partners:
Cyprus: Frederick University Nicosia (FIT), Synectics Ltd Nicosia (SYN), Cyprus Quality Association Nicosia
Germany: Federation of Quality Research and Science Frankfurt (FQS), University Stuttgart (USTUTT)
Netherlands: Bouwend Nederland, TU Delft (DUT)

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Project Objectives

- Investigating and analysing the building process
- Developing a quality model and quality parameters as well as assurance indices
- Optimizing the indices with respect to time and money
- Developing a prototype software appropriate for SMEs
- Studies and analyses of the current quality assurance practices realized by different SMEs in different countries
- Development of guidelines for performance improvement and quality parameter optimization

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Project Structure

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| WP 1: Construction Process Models and Simulation | | | | | | | DUT |
| WP 2: Development of Quality Assurance Indices | | | | | | | USTUTT |
| WP 3: Optimization of Quality Parameters | | | | | | | FTT |
| WP 4: Prototype Development and Pilot Testing | | | | | | | SYN |
| WP 5: Dissemination and Exploitation of Research Results | | | | | | | FGE |
| WP 6: Project Management | | | | | | | FGE |

Main Tasks of University Stuttgart, IAGB

- Development of a consistent quality model
- Real-time determination of quality assurance indexes

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Different available Quality Models

- **Civil Engineering**
 - **tolerances as product-related quality parameters**
- **Geodesy**
 - **accuracy, reliability and sensitivity as product-related quality characteristics (geodetic nets)**
- **Geodata / Traffic Telematics**
 - **complete quality model with the characteristics: availability, up-to-dateness, completeness, consistency, correctness, accuracy**

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Construction Process for Residential Houses

- **Process as base for quality model**
- **Hierarchical structure preferred:**
 1. total process,
 2. sub-processes,
 3. activities.
- **Level of detail differs:**
 - **Germany: appr.100 activities,**
 - **Cyprus: appr. 500 activities.**

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- activities of one sub-process
- further detail levels or alternatives possible
- integration of checkpoints to measure quality
- checked parameters have to be defined (partly)
- relationships are still missing:

Gantt Chart

Carcass construction of earthwork

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Site facilities

Sub-Process:
carcass construction of earthwork

pipe(connection to canalization), foundationtech, soil improvement

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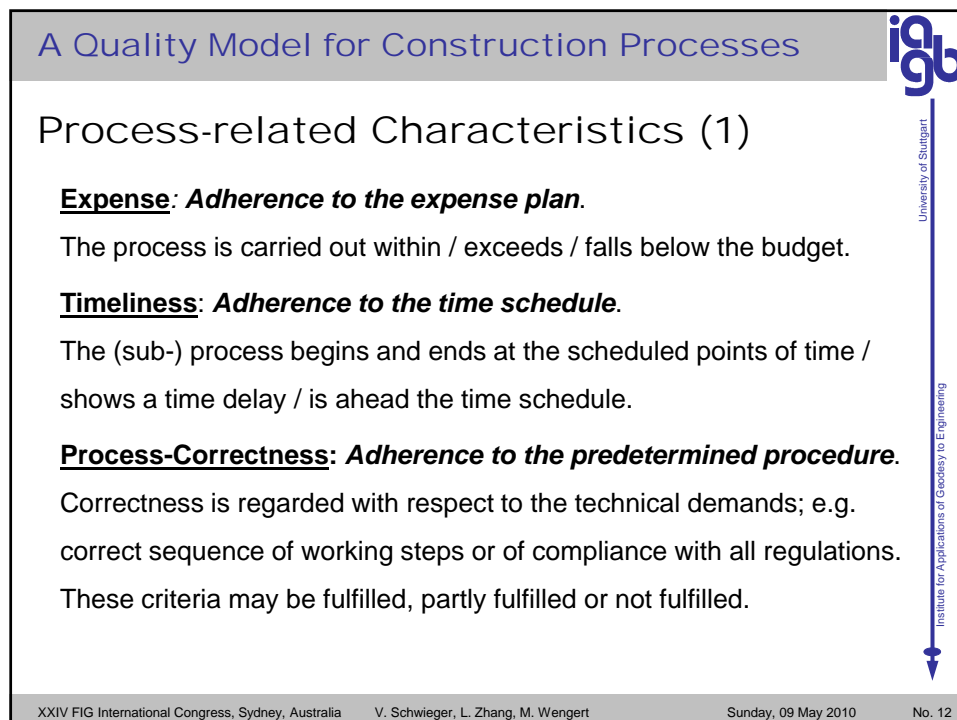
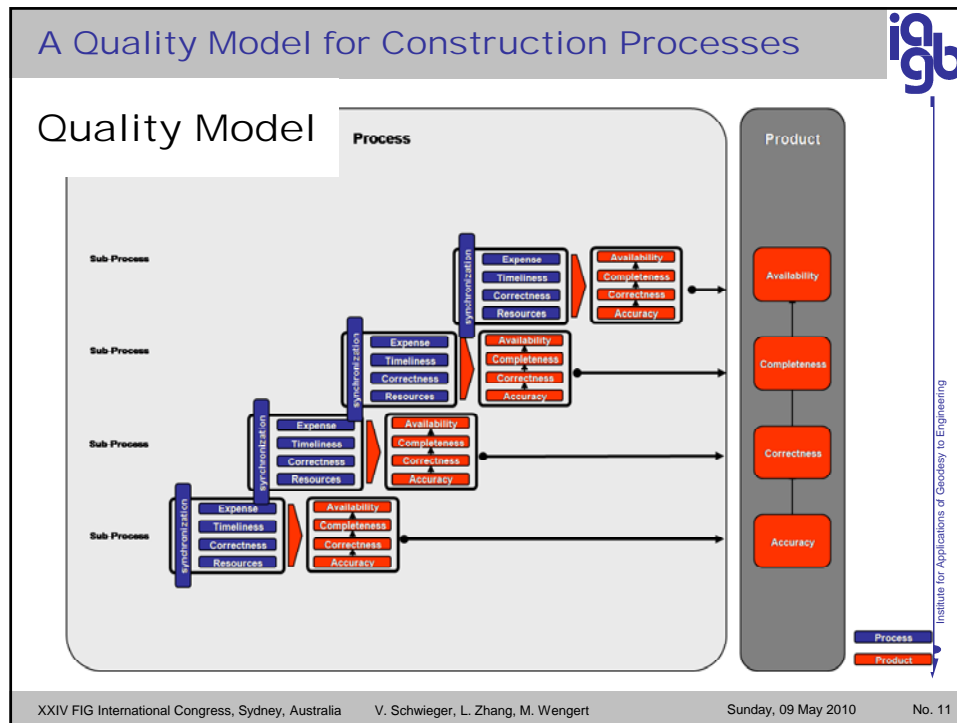
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| preparation of construction | |
| carcass construction of earthwork | 1 |
| site facilities | |
| survey: Measurement for basement excavation | 7 |
| earthwork: basement excavation | 8 |
| Other work e.g.: basement safeguarding | 9 |
| acceptance excavation ground inspection (excavation) | 10 |
| connection shaft | |
| Survey: building of alignment stage | 10,11,12 |
| Earthwork: base pipe(connection to canalization), foundationtech, soil improvement | 13 |
| Acceptance drainage | 14 |
| carcass construction of basement | 15 |
| concrete work: foundation | 15 |
| electric work: earthing | 15 |
| acceptance foundation: height of raft foundation | 17 |
| electric work: empty conduit, wall breakthrough, facade | 19 |
| heating and sanitary: wall breakthrough | 19 |
| concrete work/brickwork: basement external wall | 17,19,20,2 |
| disassembly of alignment stage | 22 |
| concrete work/brickwork: basement internal wall | 22 |
| electric work: empty conduit, basement ceiling | 24 |
| heating and sanitary: ceiling breakthrough | 24 |
| acceptance ceiling reinforcement | 25,26 |
| concrete work: basement ceiling | 25,26,27 |
| quality survey of basement stair | |
| concrete work: basement stair | 25,26,27,2 |
| drainage | 30 |
| isolation and waterproofing of basement external wall | 31 |
| light well | 31 |
| acceptance light well, basement insulation | 32,33 |
| house service | 33 |
| earthwork: backfilling of the workroom | 34,35 |
| carcass construction of ground floor | 36 |
| carcass construction of attic story | 41 |
| Internal extension | 66 |
| External extension | 89 |


Gantt Chart

exemplary relationships

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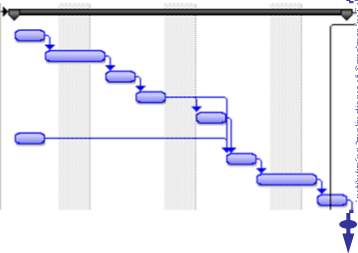
Process-related Characteristics (2)

Resources: *Adherence to the predetermined resources.*

The process is carried out within/ exceeds / falls below the predetermined resources.


Synchronization: *Adherence to the overall predetermined inter-process workflow.*

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|---|----------|
| site facilities | 1 |
| survey: Measurement for basement excavation | 8 |
| earthwork: basement excavation | 9 |
| Other work e.g.: basement safeguarding | 10 |
| acceptance excavation ground inspection (excavation depth) | 11 |
| connection shaft | |
| Survey: building of alignment stage | 11;12;13 |
| Earthwork: base pipe(connection to canalization), foundation tech, soil improvement | 14 |
| Acceptance drainage | 15 |



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Product-related Characteristics (1)

Availability: *Overall quality characteristic that takes into account all other definitions.*

Product is completed at the required point of time within the budget using the planned resources. The characteristic is not purely product-related. It is the combination of process and product-related characteristics.

Completeness: *Adherence to defined completeness of product.*

Product is completed correctly as defined and planned or it is fragmentary.

Condition: only correctly realized products are counted as completed.

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Product-related Characteristics (2)

Product-Correctness: Adherence to the defined demands, requirements, standards, generally recognized codes of practice and technical demands written in the contract.

The demands, requirements, standards, etc. are fulfilled or not.

- a) The correctness of the product is measurable. These characteristics can be parameterized using accuracy parameters.
- b) Some characteristics are not measurable. In these cases there are checks only, e.g. visual controls. If requirements are not fulfilled, the product is incorrect.

Accuracy: Degree of adherence to demands, etc.

Accuracy is the basis for correctness decisions of variant a) of product-correctness. It takes into account random deviations only.

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Examples

Expense for earthwork:


- relative expense rate E_r with E_a actual expenses and E_b budgeted expenses
e.g. **95%** of the predetermined expense rate
- absolute expense difference E_d
e.g. **150€** have been economized

Completeness for building:

- relative completeness rate $CRR = \frac{CP_a}{CP_b} \cdot 100\%$
 $CRR = \mathbf{75\%}$ (12 from 16) given in the plan, with $CPR = \frac{CP_a}{CP_b} \cdot 100\%$
- with CP_a actual completed parts / groups and CP_b product parts / groups




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Measuring Quality

- **Quality control measurements**
- **The measurement methods are standardized and are generally accepted**
- **Concrete descriptions regarding product-correctness as well as**




„e.g. if e.g. the measurements of the angles between two points are carried out with a theodolite and made in two sets, the RMS can be calculated. If the shorter side of the angle equals 100m, for the angle the permitted deviation is $\pm 0.01 \text{ gon}$. If $\sqrt{r_{rms}} < 0.01 \text{ gon}$, the angle is regarded as correct, otherwise it is incorrect.”

- **Restriction on geometric accuracy, additional measurements are described in e.g. ISO 3443-8, DIN EN 14992**

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Conclusions

- **New quality model for construction of residential houses**
- **Consideration of product and process quality**
- **Integration into quality assurance tool is objective in the EU-project QuCon**
- **Checkpoints for quality measurements have to be defined**
- **Surveyor as quality controller shall be established in the future**

Quantity and Quality Surveyor !

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