

# **Your challenges**

Automobiles are immensely complex machines comprising many complicated components. Ensuring and maintaining consistent quality throughout the entire manufacturing and servicing process is essential. Hence, automotive parts manufacturers must be certified according to the standards of IATF 16949 and/or VDA 6.1, while automotive service providers should fulfil the standard VDA 6.2 and tool/machine manufacturers should obtain VDA 6.4 certification.

## What is VDA 6.x?

Beside an ISO 9001 certification automotive manufacturers in Germany expect a VDA 6.x certification. Both the IATF 16949 and the VDA 6.x standards are based on the ISO 9001 Quality Management System.

# Why is VDA 6.x certification important for your business?

While IATF 16949 and VDA 6.1 are only eligible for automotive manufacturers, VDA 6.2 is valid for automotive service providers and VDA 6.4 is valid for automotive tool and machine manufacturers. By implementing the VDA 6.x programme, your company is able to commit to a long-term goal in consistently meeting and exceeding your customers' expectations. Beyond increasing organisational efficiency and product quality, adhering to the certification requirements minimises waste and errors, thereby improving overall productivity.

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#### SEVEN STEPS TO CERTIFICATION

Request for certification

Pre-audit to find areas for improvement and make corrections (optional)

On-site audit by TÜV SÜD's auditors

Evaluation of findings and presentation of report

Non-conformity management / Closure of findings

Issuance of the certificate

Periodic surveillance and recertification audits to check performance improvements

#### **Our VDA 6.x certification services**

In-depth assessment

TÜV SÜD tailors a unique programme to suit your organisation's needs. We help you get started by conducting a pre-audit to identify areas for improvement. Once the necessary changes are adopted and effected, our experts conduct an on-site audit. Upon a successful audit we issue the certificate. Periodic surveillance and certifiation audits can improve your company's performance levels.

Relevant certifications

Besides helping you achieve the required VDA certifications based on ISO 9001, we can act as a one-stop provider for your other certification needs and services including ISO 14001, OHSAS and other automotive standards.

## Your business benefits

 Improve marketability – by showing that your company is VDA-certified, thus demonstrating your commitment to excellence, reliability, and high quality and service levels. This results in increased confidence and brings attention to your company's products and services.

- Boost productivity through the identification of problem areas during the pre-audit phase, which helps to reduce or eliminate downtime and minimise wastage during the manufacturing process. We guide you on areas for improvement and offer best practices and advice gathered from our global network of experts.
- Gain a competitive edge by partnering with TÜV SÜD to provide reliable documentation of your company's high quality and performance. Publicising this material helps you stand out from your competitors.

# Why choose TÜV SÜD?

TÜV SÜD is a registered certification body with VDA-QMC. Through our international network, we are well equipped to support you as you seek certification according to the relevant VDA 6.x standards. Our experienced team of global experts will guide you in all the steps, from the initial assessment to on-site audits until certification.

With our extensive expertise in the automotive industry, we help you identify opportunities and minimise potential risks. By partnering with us, your company will gain global recognition for its commitment to the highest standards.

# Add value. Inspire trust.

TÜV SÜD is a trusted partner of choice for safety, security and sustainability solutions. It specialises in testing, certification, and auditing services. Through more than 24,000 employees across over 1,000 locations, the company adds value to customers and partners by enabling market access and managing risks. By anticipating technological developments and facilitating change, TÜV SÜD inspires trust in a physical and digital world to create a safer and more sustainable future.

# **Related services**

TÜV SÜD provides the following related services:

- International homologation and type approval
- ISO 9001 Quality management system certification
- ISO 26262 Functional safety standard certification
- Vehicle and component testing