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**PROJECT PROPOSAL FOR ISO 14001:2015 IMPLEMENTATION**

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# Reasoning

Primary reasons for ISO 14001 implementation are to:

* Improve image and credibility by attaining certification to ISO 14001
* Improve environmental impact of business processes
* Integrate processes for environmental legal compliance
* Improve decisions by basing them on data from the Environmental Management System (EMS)

Secondary reasons to implement ISO 14001 are to:

* Create a culture of continual improvement of the processes with environmental impact
* Improve employee engagement toward process improvement

# Purpose

The purpose of the project is to:

* Gain ISO 14001 certification
* Increase compliance with environmental legislation
* Reduce negative environmental impact by controlling environmental aspects
* Increase competitiveness of [organization name]
* Better environmental management of processes, activities, and functions
* Reduce costs of negative environmental impacts through continual improvements attained through the ISO 14001 EMS

# Project duration and structure

The implementation project is divided into different phases:

1. Initiation, planning, and assessment – project is set and assessment of existing processes is carried out. Gap analysis is performed.
2. Implementation – implementation of EMS, i.e., requirements defined in ISO 14001.
3. Consolidation – internal audit and management review of the results and comparison to the requirements. Review and corrective action of any problems and setup of ongoing improvement activities.

Project is led by [job title]. Main milestones of the implementation project are:

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| **Milestone** | **Due date** |
| Initiation |  |
| Planning |  |
| Assessment |  |
| Implementation |  |
| Internal Audit |  |
| Management Review |  |
| Corrective Actions |  |
| Certification |  |
| Continual Improvement Setup |  |

Detailed content of the milestones and respective responsibilities are described in the Project Plan document.

# Resources

Resources required to implement the project include human, financial, and technical resources.

Financial resources include:

* Amount: [define amount of money needed to finish the project]
  + Cost types: [split costs according to the cost type and include all resources listed here, e.g., human resources – internal and external, technical and other]

Human resources include:

* Internal resources – [list internal resources, e.g., group name, project name, etc.]
* External resources – [list all external resources, e.g., consulting company, etc.]

Technical resources include:

* Tool – tool name: [enter tool name]
* Equipment – [list equipment needed]

Other resources include:

* Documentation – [list all documentation that is required, e.g., ISO 14001 Toolkit, ISO 14001:2015 standard]

# Deliverables

This section lists deliverables of the project and benefits achieved with their implementation.

## Deliverables for EMS leadership & support requirements

The following processes need to be defined, documented, and possibly changed from the current:

* Commitment of leadership
* Roles, authorities, and responsibilities of the EMS
* Documentation and record management (ISO 14001 mandatory documented information)
* Resources management
* Establishment and improvement of the EMS

## Deliverables for EMS planning & operation requirements

The following processes need to be defined, documented, and possibly changed from the current:

* Environmental Policy and Environmental Objectives (ISO 14001 mandatory documented information)
* Identification of environmental aspects and impacts
* Determination and review of environmental legal requirements and compliance
* Environmental management operational controls
* Control of monitoring and measurement equipment processes

## Deliverables for evaluation of performance and improvement

The following processes need to be defined, documented, and possibly changed from the current:

* Internal audit (ISO 14001 mandatory documented information)
* Monitoring and measurement of environmental operational controls
* Control of environmental nonconformity (ISO 14001 mandatory documented information)
* Corrective actions (ISO 14001 mandatory documented information)