**QUALITY INNOVATION AWARD 2021**

The maximum length of the completed application is about 2-4 pages and max 5 attachments / 10 pages. Please send the completed application form to your local innovation competition partner written in Swedish or English.

Please send the completed application form to: **SIQ – Institutet för Kvalitetsutveckling – email: siq@siq.se**

Note: More information about the competition and participation can be found at [www.siq.se](http://www.siq.se) or by calling 031-723 1700

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| Street address      | VAT-number      |
| Contact person      | Telephone      | Email      |
| Application fee*In Sweden participation in the Quality Innovation Award is free of charge.* |
| **Competition category: Your innovation may be a new product-, service- or process and should be classified to a certain category, see below. Please tic the one/ones most appropriate:** [ ]  Potential innovations - For all innovations that are "still on paper" and have not yet been tested in the market or internally.[ ]  Circular economy and carbon neutrality Innovations - For innovations that have a clear environmental focus[ ]  Health care sector innovations - For innovations in the health care sector[ ]  Education sector innovations - For innovations in the education sector[ ]  Public sector innovations - For innovations in the public / municipal sector[ ]  Business innovations (Micro & startup) - For companies with turnover less than 2 million EUR and less than 10 employees[ ]  Business innovations (Small and Medium) - For companies with turnover less than 50 million EUR and less than 250 employees[ ]  Business innovations (Large) - For companies with turnover more than 50 million EUR and/or more than 250 employees**In addition: If your application concerns one of the following internal organizational process innovations, please tic which one:**[ ]  Create value with customers and stakeholders - process innovations supporting the organizations ability for co-creation.[ ]  Lead for sustainability - process innovations supporting the organizations ability for sustainable development.[ ]  Involve motivated coworkers - process innovations supporting the organizations ability for involving motivated coworkers.[ ]  Develop value-creating processes - process innovations supporting the organizations ability for developing value creating processes.[ ]  Improve operations and innovate - process innovations supporting the organizations ability to improve and innovate. |
| The name of the quality innovation (max. 100 characters)      |
| A short description of the quality innovation (max. 200 characters)      |
| Description of the innovation (Explain what the essence of this innovation is, starting point, steps taken, resources used (human and financial) and a description of how the innovation has made an economic, social/and or environmental difference) (max. 2000 characters)      |

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| **INNOVATIVENESS** |
| **Description of the innovation's novel features**. How does the innovation fulfil or exceed the external and/or internal customer’s, societal or environmental needs in a new or significantly revised way? (max. 1000 characters)(*Present arguments and results that will convince the assessors and the jury that your innovation is something truly new and innovative. Describe how your innovation differs from similar approaches.)*     |
| **Description of usability.** How is the innovation applied in practice? Is it done systematically and according to a plan within the organisation? Is the innovation usable? (max. 1000 characters)*(Present arguments and results of how the innovation has been, or could be, applied in practice to realize the benefits of it.)*       |
| **Description of learning.** Is the innovation based on a new idea or discovery? Is the innovation based on a systematic development process? Does the innovation extend existing knowledge or practice? (max. 1000 characters)*(Present the overall development process that has led to the birth of your innovation and what you have learned along the way.)*       |
| **QUALITY** |
| **Description of customer orientation.** How does the innovation correspond to stakeholders and external or internal customers current and/or future needs? How does the innovation fulfil and exceed their requirements and expectations? (max. 1000 characters)*(Describe how the needs and expectations of the target group for the innovation have been taken into account during the development process. How does the innovation make life better for the customers?)*      |
| **Description of effectiveness.** How has the innovation improved technological and commercial performance with regard to the customer (external or internal) and ecological / social responsibility? (max. 1000 characters)*(Describe the results that have been, or could be, achieved and also what measures you apply for the success of the innovation. How do the results compare with existing products, services or processes?)*      |