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ISTQB® facts & figures in 2015

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ISTQB® - International Software Testing Qualifications Board, the most popular software testing certification authority in the world, released at the General Assembly held in Singapore updated info about its quantitative data as of December 31, 2015

As of December 2015 ISTQB® has:
- administered more than 600,000 exams, and
- issued more than 440,000 certificates,
- in over 100 countries worldwide.

Growth of certifications continues:
- 2015 has been the best year ever in terms of exams and certificates
- Growth has been in excess of 11%
- The Agile Tester certification has been successfully adopted world-wide
- Core Advanced Level certifications have exhibited a very robust trend, with about 10,000 exams administered in 2015
- Expert Level continues to expand
- Growth has been experienced world-wide, with 25 Member Boards achieving a growth of 25% or more wrt previous year

The expansion of the ISTQB® footprint is also marked by the joining of new Member Boards, like the Icelandic one, that has been positively voted for admission in Singapore

“I am pleased to see the continuous growth of all Certifications managed by ISTBQ® and especially the strengthening of Advanced Level certifications”, said Gualtiero Bazzana, ISTQB® President “Moreover, we are proud of the impressive take-up of the Agile Tester certification, so quickly after its inception”

Alon Linetzki, Chair of Marketing Working Group also commented: “With the launch of the new products, like the Advanced Security Tester Certification or the forthcoming Usability Tester and Test Automation Engineering we continue our mission of advancing the software testing profession, adding new opportunities for professionals to have their competences certified”

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About ISTQB®
The International Software Testing Qualifications Board (ISTQB®) was founded in November 2002 and is a non-profit organization, headquartered in Brussels, Belgium, whose mission is to advance the software testing profession. ISTQB® has defined the "ISTQB® Certified Tester” scheme that has become the worldwide leader in the certification of competences in software testing. It is supported in its mission by 50 member boards. Thanks also to the Global Exam Providers, it has today a world-wide coverage and has administered as of December 2015 over 600.000, issuing over 440.000 certificates. ISTQB® is an organization based on volunteer work by hundreds of software testing experts around the world.