



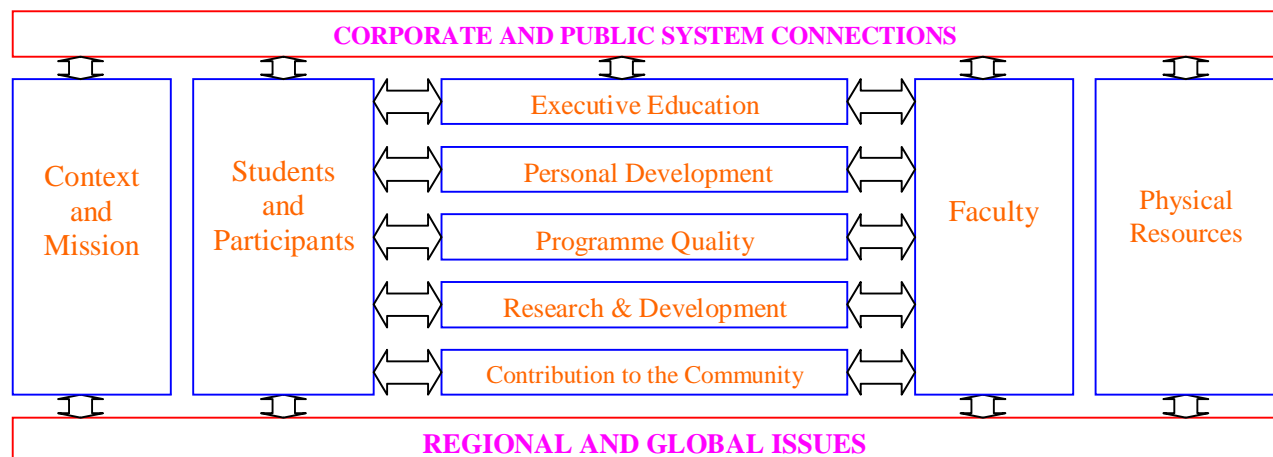
# ASSOCIATION OF MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTIONS IN SOUTH ASIA



## SAQS ACCREDITATION SYSTEM

South Asian Quality Assurance System (SAQS) for management education institutions in the South Asia Region has now graduated from the pilot phase where the Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Management Development Institute (Gurgaon) and the ICFAI Business School (Hyderabad) submitted themselves as the first institutions to go through the self assessment, peer review and apex committee evaluation.

SAQS has positioned itself as Quality Assurance System representing the highest standard of achievement for management schools. AMDISA believes that Institutions that earn Quality Assurance, confirm their commitment to quality and continuous improvement through a rigorous and comprehensive peer review of institutional mission and its alignment, faculty capability, and composition, curricula quality, admission and delivery system, research and executive education, pursuing regional and global network promoting connections with corporate world and making its contribution to community having appropriate academic and physical infrastructure. AMDISA certification is the hallmark of excellence in management education in South Asia, comparable to best schools anywhere in the world.



### **Introduction to the South Asian Quality Criteria:**

The South Asian quality criteria are based on the following academic model.

SAQS Accreditation assures high standards of quality in all of the areas; where the need of the corporate world and public systems are well integrated into programmes, activities and processes and the institution shows a significant level of regional and global orientation.

The SAQS process involves mentoring, Self-Assessment documentation, Peer Review and apex committee evaluation.

### **The financial implications of SAQS are as follows:**

US \$ 400/- with Eligibility Application; Once eligibility is accepted, a sum of US \$ 12,500/- would be payable and the next US \$ 12,500/- would be payable at the time of submitting self-assessment report. The mentors and peer review experts' travel expenses will be met by AMDISA; local hospitality is to be provided by the Institutions concerned.

SAQS accreditation will be yes, no and conditional. The conditional period could be up to 3 years, and full Accreditation would be for 5 years. There is provision for Re-Accreditation after 5 years.

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