



# IRIS

## International Railway Industry Standard

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**Based on the ISO/TS 22163 standard and backed by significant rail stakeholder, IRIS is an internationally recognized certification enabling all industrial rail stakeholders to benefit from a reliable and recognized evaluation method.**

With this certification, companies focused on development and maintenance, as well as manufacturers in this business sector can then be registered in the UNIFE database, which is accessed at [www.iris-rail.org](http://www.iris-rail.org).

Almost a quarter of the companies IRIS certified are customers of DQS Inc. More than one-fifth of all UNIFE authorized auditors work for DQS Inc. – making us one of the top certification bodies in the railway vehicle industry.

**Benefits of IRIS Certification, as stated from [unife.org](http://unife.org):**

### Quick Facts about DQS Inc.:

- Formed with a partnership between Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) and DQS (German Registrar of Management Systems). DQS was founded by DGQ (German Society of Quality) and DIN (German Institute of standardization).
- Global presence: 80 offices in 60 countries
- Best in class auditors: over 2,500 competent auditors worldwide
- Large customer base: over 59,000 certifications

- *Transparency in the rail sector: Requirements aligned with performance evaluations and customer perception.*
- *Save time: Apply once and get both ISO 9001 and IRIS Certification*
- *Simplified processes for supplier' evaluation and approval and removing the need for system integrators' own approval audits*
- *Company visibility: Entrance to information in the IRIS Certification database*
- *Global improvements across the entire supply chain, enhancing both equipment and rolling stock through robust processes and quality performance results*