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Management Institute for Quality-of-Life Studies (MIQOLS)
the Management Institute for Quality-of-Life Studies (MIQOLS): Highlights

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We at the Management Institute for Quality-of-Life Studies (MIQOLS; www.miqols.org) would like to express our utmost gratitude for the recognition bestowed on us by ISQOLS through the Award for the Betterment of the Human Condition.
MIQOLS is a non-profit organization, established in 2007, is made up of mostly professors at various academic institutions and other management consultants whose mission is to facilitate the diffusion and utilization of the science of QOL/well-being research in industry and government.
MIQOLS’ mission is to assist organizations to:

- Provide empirically tested and validated metrics to help organizations measure the well-being of various population segments (college students and faculty/staff in educational institutions, employees and workers in large and medium-size corporations, residents of cities and other geo-political units, etc.).

- Develop custom-made QOL/well-being performance measures and methods that can assist managers and policy makers assess the effectiveness of their programs and policies in relation to specific population groups (elderly, children, the disabled, etc.), and communities (towns, cities, counties, provinces, etc.).

- Develop custom-made educational and training programs guided by the science of QOL/well-being research.
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MIQOLS has served the QOL research community in numerous ways. The organization also served ISQOLS in varied roles. Here are some of the highlights.
Having collaborated in the development of certification programs:

❖ Community Indicators Research,
❖ Psychology of Wellbeing, and
❖ Child Indicators.

Programs still in development include:

❖ Sustainability and Wellbeing,
❖ Personal Well-being Interventions, and
❖ Key Actors in Public Policy.
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Contributed resources to ISQOLS members. Examples include:

❖ Estes Weighted Index of Social Progress,
❖ United States QOL Indicators Toolbox, and
❖ International-level QOL Indicators Toolbox.
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Collaborated with the Halloran Philanthropy in documenting the history of QOL of world regions resulting in several books and publications.

This project involved many QOL scholars who are members of ISQOLS.
Developed **oral history videos** for prominent members of ISQOLS family. Examples include:

- Andrew Clark
- Robert Cummins
- Elizabeth Eckermann
- Richard Estes
- Wolfgang Glatzer
- Kenneth Land
- Mahar Mangahas
- Alex Michalos
- Valerie Moller
- Rhonda Phillips
- Mariano Rojas
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