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Introduction

At the time of the publication of this report, there are more than twenty Maintenance Societies in Europe, and each of them is active in education and training on a national level. In view of the ongoing developments in European integration, training and qualification of maintenance personnel should be carried out within a more structured framework of mutually accepted European guidelines.

In the last years of the 20th century an initiative was taken to develop European guidelines for qualifying maintenance personnel at a management level. This project is still progressing with great success. One of the reasons for this success is that the qualification procedure has no link with any national school system hindering the initiative. In fact all individuals have a right to make an application to enter the examinations arranged by the National Member Societies.

At the beginning of the 1990s, the Societies decided uniformly, to categorize the European maintenance personnel into three levels and to link these levels to national school systems.

The following three levels were described:

- The European Maintenance Technician.
- The European Maintenance Supervisor.
- The European Maintenance Manager.

The European Maintenance Technician is a craft person with at least two years of practical experience in maintenance and sufficient theoretical knowledge to independently perform and coordinate maintenance activities (responsible for short term decisions and communication).

The European Maintenance Supervisor is a person with at least two years of practical experience in maintenance and possesses sufficient theoretical knowledge to independently perform and coordinate maintenance projects (responsible for medium term decisions).

The European Maintenance Manager is a person with an approved engineering background and sufficient theoretical knowledge to perform and co-ordinate maintenance.

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