

and managers, and how does these requirements suit with the fundamental model of software certification.

7. Conclusion

A framework and model that may be used to certify software based on product quality approach has been presented in this paper. The model, SCM-prod is a practical model of certification, which has been evaluated and tested, in real case studies involving three large organizations in Malaysia. These practical applications were conducted in 2007. We have repeated the software assessment and certification in one of these organizations in year 2009. The results showed that after two years there was not much different from the first result as explained in section 4. The industrial applications determine that the model is practical and can be applied in the real practice. The significant advantage of this model is that it can be tailored and flexible to the organisation's requirements. Therefore, the working model can be developed based on organisation's demands and constraints. Second advantage of this model is the involvement of users in the certification process that justify the confirmation of user expectation and requirement for software quality. With the involvement, the certification process is moving towards user-centred approach.

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