



**DRONACHARYA AWARD
PROF. YASUTOSHI WASHIO
CITATION**

Distinguished doctorate in Mathematical Statistics from Kyushu University, Japan. Prof. Yasutoshi Washio started his career as an educationist in 1953 as an instructor at his alma mater and rose to become professor at Keio University before being appointed as professor at the Niigata University of International and Information Studies in 1994. At present, he is Professor Emeritus of Keio University.

The broad range of his research and consultancy covers unbiased estimation, orthogonality of hypotheses and identifiability constraints, mathematical statistics and DOE applied to automobile engineering, general construction, electric power and housing.

Prof. Washio was honoured with the Deming Prize for individuals in 1993 for his dedicated contribution of implementing quality control in Japanese industries. He was president of the Japanese Society for Applied Statistics as well as of the Japanese Society of Quality Control.

Prof. Washio was visiting scholar at Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata in 1967. Since then, he has been visiting India regularly to attend international conferences on statistics and other subjects; the latest being “New Product Development” at Chennai in March 2004. Since 1993, he has been providing consultancy to many Indian automotive companies helping them achieve coveted Deming Application Prize and Japan Quality Medal. Even now, he is providing consultancy to many organisations.

Prof. Yasutoshi Washio places great confidence in the increasing ability of Indian industry to manufacture world quality products, which he believes is mainly due to effective application of Japanese style of TQM.

Dronacharya Award is given to recognise people who have made significant contribution to the Indian society through their work of teaching and counseling in the field of quality management with humility, dignity, respect for others and a sense of service.

The Governing Council of ISQ is pleased to honour Prof. Yasutoshi Washio with Dronacharya Award for his enormous contribution in helping Indian industry to become globally competitive leading to economic prosperity for the people of India..

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