

## **The Tri-Service Assessment Initiative**

<http://tai.pica.army.mil>

The Tri-Service Assessment Initiative was instituted by the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics) in 1999 to provide Department of Defense (DoD) program managers with an independent, objective review and analysis of software processes, product development and integration. Each assessment is tailored to the program manager's issues, acquisition strategy, and upcoming milestones. The goal is to strengthen DoD software development and shorten acquisition time lines.

## **American Society for Quality**

[www.asq.org](http://www.asq.org)

The American Society for Quality (ASQ) promotes advanced learning, quality improvement, and a knowledge exchange. ASQ makes its officers and member experts available to inform and advise the U.S. Congress, government agencies, state legislatures, and other groups and individuals on quality-related topics. ASQ also works with the media to provide resources and referrals.

## **Practical Software and Systems Measurement**

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## **Bluetooth**

[www.bluetooth.com](http://www.bluetooth.com)

The Bluetooth Special Interest Group (SIG) is comprised of leaders in the telecommunications, computing, and network industries that are driving the development of a low-cost, short-range wireless specification for connecting mobile products and a qualification program for interoperability. The Bluetooth SIG promoters include 3Com, Ericsson, IBM, Intel, Microsoft, Motorola, Nokia, Toshiba, and hundreds of associate and adopter member companies.