



Quality Assurance Auditors & Industry Conference
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Welcome to the AAR Quality Assurance Auditor and Industry Conference

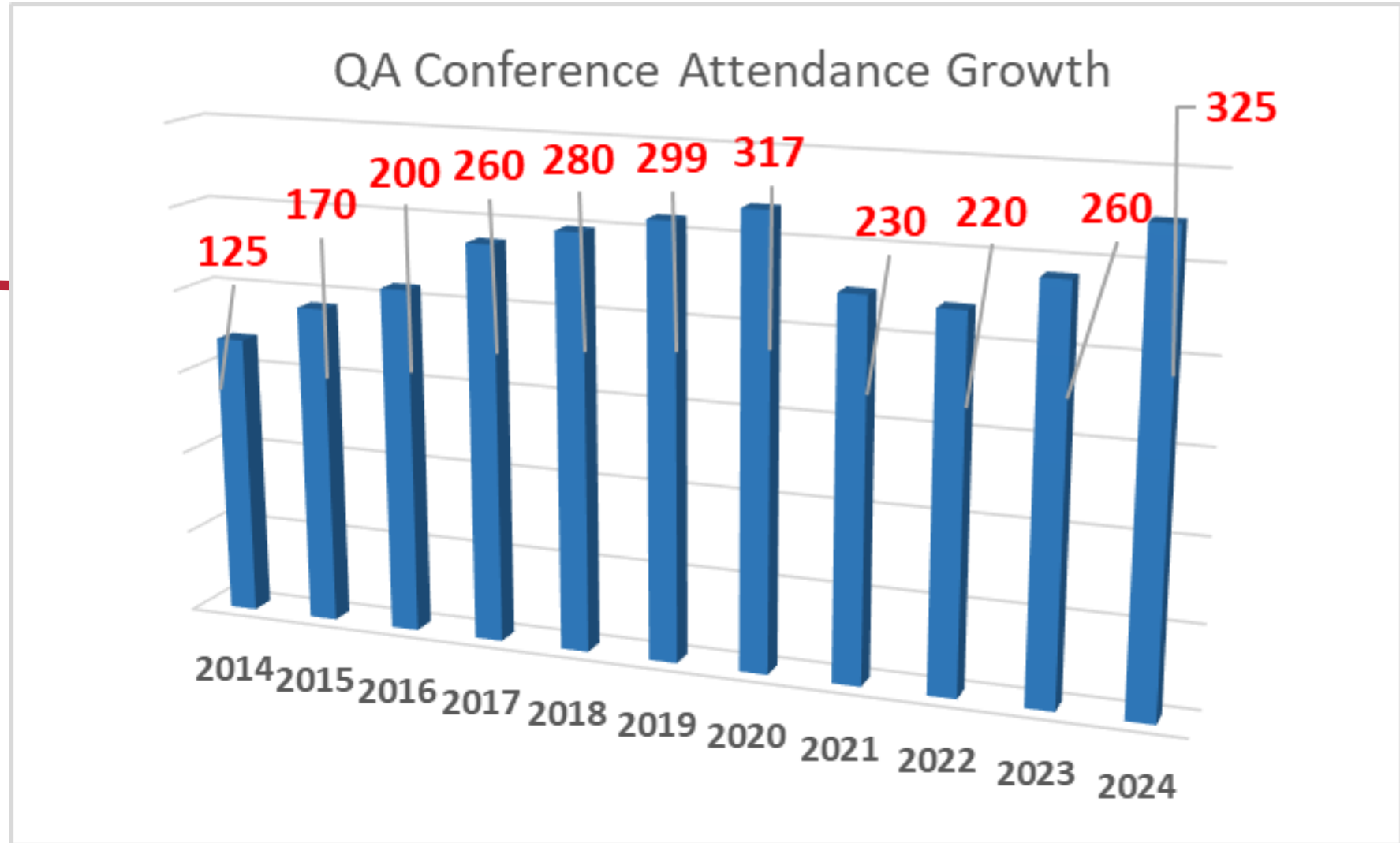
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Conference Overview

- **Day 1 & 2 - Industry Experts**
 - Keynote Speakers
 - FRA, AAR
 - Railway Supply Institute
 - Q&A with the QA Committee
- **Day 3 - Workshops**
 - Visual Inspection
 - Thermographic Inspection
- **Conference Demographics**
 - Over 300 attendees
 - Representing 114 companies
 - In 6 countries
 - With over 26 presenters



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New Q&A Process

- Load conference Q&A function “Slido” app onto your phones by scanning the QR code in your conference program
- All questions are to be submitted through the “Slido” app on your phones
- Two types of questions:
 - 1. Q&A **session** questions addressed at end of each session block
 - Only questions relevant to the presentation topics will be addressed
 - Place the presenter’s first name at beginning of your question
 - 2. Q&A **general** questions about the standard, M-1003 program, IIRX, etc. will be addressed at end of each day
- All questions must be submitted prior to the start of each Q&A session

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