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# TESTING THE VIABILITY OF A MASTERS PROGRAMME IN QUANTITY SURVEYING USING MARKET RESEARCH

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### 5.0 INTRODUCTION

The quantity surveying body of knowledge in general is beset with the lowest levels of both development of newer knowledge and in research and development. This is because quantity surveying is seen by many to be a profession that emphasizes the application of vocational knowledge and skills in construction economics, the focus being to achieve economies in the procurement of new construction and in repair and maintenance works.

Traditionally, institutions of higher learning that offer quantity surveying programmes at certificate, diploma and/or bachelor degree levels are more concerned with getting accreditation and maintaining the same for their programmes by professional quantity surveying bodies<sup>52</sup>. This is because

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<sup>52</sup> In Malaysia the professional bodies concerned are the Board of Quantity Surveyors Malaysia and the Institutions of Surveyors Malaysia.

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# **VIETNAM: *DOI MOI* AND ITS IMPACT ON THE ECONOMY AND THE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR**

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## **13.0 INTRODUCTION**

The economy in general and the construction sector of Vietnam in particular are going through significant structural transformation. From being among the least developed developing country that practiced state-controlled economy led by agriculture, Vietnam is turning into a rapid developing country embracing market-oriented economic system with industry and services becoming the main sectors.

One key reason for the phenomenal economic transformation is the government's introduction of *Doi Moi* or economic renovation strategy in 1986. The broad aim of *Doi Moi* is to reverse past failures and to liberalize, modernize and internationalize the economy of Vietnam through market-oriented economic system. Gradually the more 'opened' Vietnam began to prosper that subsequently provided the confidence to foreign investors and