REPORT OF THE SECRETARIAT ISO TC 46/SC 9  
for the 9 May 2012 plenary meeting  
in Berlin

The ISO TC46/SC9 plenary meeting is being held at the kind invitation of Deutsches Institut für Normung (DIN), the German Institute for Standardization.

1. Overview  

1.1. Scope  
Standardization of information identifiers, description and associated metadata and models for use in information organizations (including libraries, museums and archives) and the content industries (including publishing and other content producers and providers).

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2. SC9 MEMBERS AND LIAISON ORGANIZATIONS  

2.1. Participating countries (26)  
The following ISO national bodies are voting members of ISO TC46/SC9:

Australia (SA)  
Belgium (NBN)  
Bulgaria (BDS)  
Canada (SCC)  
China (SAC)  
Croatia (HZN)  
Czech Republic (UMNZ)  
Denmark (DS)  
Estonia (EVS)  
France (AFNOR)  
Germany (DIN)  
Italy (UNI)  
Japan (JISC)  
Kenya (KEBS)  
Korea, Republic of (KATS)  
New Zealand (SNZ)  
Norway (SN)  
Portugal (IPQ)  
Russian Federation  
(GOST R)  
South Africa (SABS)  
Spain (AENOR)  
Sweden (SIS)  
Switzerland (SNV)  
Ukraine (DSSU)  
United Kingdom (BSI)  
U.S.A. (ANSI)  

NOTE: There is a discrepancy between the member countries listed in the ISO Global Directory and those listed on the website. The list above reflects the Global Directory. The website also lists Colombia (ICONTEC) and Finland (SFS) as voting members. ISO C/S is looking into the discrepancy and the status of these two countries.
2.2. Observer countries (16)

The following ISO national bodies have observer status in ISO TC46/SC9:

- Argentina (IRAM)
- Cuba (NC)
- Hungary (MSZT)
- India (BIS)
- Islamic Republic of Iran
- Lithuania (LST)
- Poland (PKN)
- Romania (ASRO)
- Slovakia (SUTN)
- Slovenia (SIST)
- Thailand (TISI)

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2.3. Organizations with A-liaison status (22)

- Association for the International Collective Management of Audiovisual Works (AGICOA)
- European Association of Science Editors (EASE)
- European Commission (EC)
- Federation of European Film Directors (FERA)
- GS1
- International Association of Music Libraries, Archives and Documentation Centres (IAML)
- International Committee for Social Sciences Information and Documentation (ICSSD)
- International Confederation of Societies of Authors and Composers (CISAC)
- International Documentation Committee, International Council of Museums (CIDOC)
- International DOI Foundation (IDF)
- International Federation for Science Editors (IFSE)
- International Federation of Film Producers Associations (FIAPF)
- International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA)
- International Federation of the Phonographic Industry (IFPI)
- International ISMN Agency (ISMN)
- International Publishers Association (IPA)
- International Video Federation (IVF)
- ISAN International Agency (ISAN-IA)
- ISSN International Centre (ISSN)
- Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers (SMPTE)
- UNESCO

Pending formal request/approval:

- ISOC (IETF)
- DDEX
- Other

International ISTC Agency – rejected twice for A liaison; considering as a D liaison

2.4. Organizations with B-liaison status (0)

NONE

2.5. Organizations with D-liaison for specific SC 9 projects (2)

- International Association of Subscription Agents and Intermediaries (ASA) – for WG5, ISSN
- UDC Consortium (UDCC) – for WG8, Structured Vocabulaes
2.6. Liaisons with other ISO TC and SC (8)

ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 29 (Coding of audio, picture, multimedia and hypermedia information)
ISO/TC 37 (Terminology and other language and content resources)
ISO/TC 37/SC 1 (Principles and methods)
ISO/TC 37/SC 2 (Terminographical and lexicographical working methods)
ISO/TC 37/SC 3 (Systems to manage terminology, knowledge and content)
TC 37/SC 4 (Language resource management)
ISO/TC 171 (Document management applications)
ISO/TC 171/SC 2 (Application issues)

3. CURRENT PROGRAMME OF WORK

3.1. Project 26324, Digital object identifier system
Convener: Norman Paskin (U.K.)
This standard has been approved for publication and the International DOI Foundation (IDF) has been approved by the ISO TMB as the Registration Authority for the standard. Following final contract agreement between ISO and the IDF, the standard will be published.

3.2. Project 27729, International Standard Name Identifier (ISNI)
Convener: FX Nutall (France)
This standard was published on 2012-03-15. The ISNI International Agency has been approved by the ISO TMB as the Registration Authority for the standard. This project is now considered to be complete.

3.3. Project 27730, International Standard Collection Identifier (ISCI)
Convener: Juha Hakala (Finland)
This standard is undergoing a second FDIS ballot that ends on 2012-04-03.

3.4. Project 25964, Thesauri and interoperability with other vocabularies
Convener: Stella Dextre Clarke (U.K.)
Part 1 of the standard was published on 2011-08-08.
Part 2 of the standard is at DIS ballot, which ends on 2012-05-14.

3.5. ISO/AWI 17316, International Standard Document Link
This working group convened shortly after the 2011 meeting in Sydney and is completing a Committee Draft.

This project was cancelled at the meeting in Korea, pending resolution of several issues by the stakeholders. Following resolution of those issues, a new work item proposal was approved in August 2011. Preparations are under way to convene the Working Group and develop a Committee Draft.

3.7. Ad hoc Identifiers Interoperability Group
The ad hoc group for Identifiers Interoperability Modelling was disbanded at the 2010 meeting in Korea and its mandate was reassigned to this ad hoc group. A closed meeting of the group was held in Sydney.

3.8. Ad hoc Identifiers Integrity Group
This ad hoc group was created by resolution at the 2010 meeting in Korea. The group’s mission is to review the current problems with the issuance, by parties that are not authorized by ISO Registration Authorities, of identifiers appearing to be ISO identifiers; to review the ownership and potential
ownership of trademarks in ISO TC46 SC9 identifiers and to review whether these offer a route to compliance with the relevant specifications; to review the role of identifier registries in determining compliance; and to recommend next steps. A closed meeting of the group was held in Sydney.

4. NEW WORK ITEMS

Only one new work item was approved since the last meeting. See 3.6 on the revision of ISO 3901.

5. SYSTEMATIC REVIEWS

5.1. Results of 2011 Systematic Reviews

Two standards underwent systematic review ballots in 2011 and were confirmed:

- ISO 832:1994, Information and documentation – Bibliographic description and references – Rules for the abbreviation of bibliographic terms
- ISO 15707:2001, Information and documentation – International Standard Musical Work Code (ISWC) [Note: The maintenance agency, CISAC, has indicated an intent to issue a new work item proposal to revise this standard.]

5.2. Systematic Reviews Beginning in 2012


6. PUBLISHED STANDARDS (18)

ISO 4:1997, Information and documentation – Rules for the abbreviation of title words and titles of publications
ISO 690:2010, Information and documentation – Guidelines for bibliographic references and citations to information resources
ISO 832:1994, Information and documentation – Bibliographic description and references – Rules for the abbreviation of bibliographic terms
ISO 999:1996, Information and documentation – Guidelines for the content, organization and presentation of indexes
ISO 3297:2007, Information and documentation – International standard serial number (ISSN)
ISO 5963:1985, Documentation – Methods for examining documents, determining their subjects, and selecting indexing terms
ISO 7220:1996, Information and documentation – Presentation of catalogues of standards [plus Cor 1:2001]
ISO 10324:1997, Information and documentation – Holdings statements – Summary level
ISO 10957:2009, Information and documentation – International standard music number (ISMN)
ISO 15706-1:2002/Amd 1:2008, Alternate encodings and editorial changes
ISO 25964-1:2011, Information and documentation – Thesauri and interoperability with other vocabularies – Part 1: Thesauri for information retrieval
ISO 27729:2012, Information and documentation – International standard name identifier (ISNI)
ISO/TR 21449:2004, Content Delivery and Rights Management: Functional requirements for identifiers and descriptors for use in the music, film, video, sound recording and publishing industries

Pending Publication:

- ISO 26324, Information and documentation – Digital object identifier system

7. REGISTRATION AUTHORITIES (7)

- International ISBN Agency [for ISO 2108]
- International ISMN Agency [for ISO 10957]
- International ISRC Agency [for ISO 3901]
- International ISTC Agency [for ISO 21047]
- ISAN International Agency [for ISO 15706-1 and ISO 15706-2]
- ISSN International Centre [for ISO 4 and ISO 3297]
- ISNI International Agency [for ISO 27729]
- ISWC International Agency [for ISO 15707]

Approved pending final contract agreement with ISO:

- The International DOI Foundation [for ISO 26324]