

5th Webinar for Standard Drafters - 2017-10-27

Webinar for Standard drafters - Procedures at the voting and publication stages for Vienna and Frankfurt Agreement projects

Questions and answers

Questions asked by the Attendee(s)	Answers from the Presenter
<p>If there is a revision of an ISO standard but not of the EN ISO standard, what is the outcome when the ISO standard will be published? Deletion of the EN ISO standard as there will be discrepancies between the EN ISO and ISO standards?</p>	<p>Since both the ISO and the EN ISO standards are essentially the same content, any revision of an ISO standard where an equivalent EN ISO standard exists will result in a parallel revision in ISO and CEN. Any other scenario would be exceptional and would depend on the agreement that led to such specific circumstances.</p>
<p>If we have to include a modification in the EN ISO text that is still after enquiry stage, what we have to do? Should the TC send the text to CCMC?</p>	<p>EN ISO projects in parallel between ISO and CEN involve a single text, which is the same in content for both ISO and CEN. If the content of the Standard needs modifying at any stage during its development, the lead TC must be contacted so that the responsible WG can decide whether to take the proposed change into account.</p>
<p>What is the ISO procedure when ISO adopts available ENs? Is FDIS necessary?</p>	<p>The usual adoption procedures of the organisation are followed. This would imply DIS as the first step in ISO.</p>
<p>Should an EN ISO standard be identical to ISO or could it have some deviations from the ISO text?</p>	<p>An EN ISO is always equivalent (identical) to the ISO standard, except for certain European elements such as the European Foreword and Annex ZA (for the link with the EU legislation).</p>
<p>How many ISO experts may attend the VA Parallel development, if it is CEN lead?</p>	<p>Up to four representatives may be appointed to attend meetings of technical bodies of the other organization. In relation to representatives of an ISO committee to attend a CEN technical body meeting, preference will be given to delegates from ISO members that are not CEN national members. More information can be found in the VA Guidelines: https://boss.cen.eu/ref/VA_Guidelines_implementation.pdf</p>
<p>Which TC is responsible to provide answers to the comments from DIS/ENQ, when VA Parallel development, if it is CEN lead?</p>	<p>This should usually be the lead TC, but close collaboration between both sides at all times is encouraged.</p>
<p>If CEN lead, is it the CEN timeframe that is to be followed?</p>	<p>Yes.</p>

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<p>During NWI ballot, It is frequent to receive enough experts in ISO, but not at European level (therefore not approved at CEN). Is there any suggestion to deal with those cases?</p>	<p>It would be useful to inform your contact point at CCMC about this (the Programme Manager). On a wider level such problems could be address to the Technical Board.</p>
<p>What does the New Approach Consultant precisely do in this?</p>	<p>For candidate harmonised projects, the role of the NAC is to assess whether the standard correctly supports the requirements laid out in the EU Directive or Regulation. At the Enquiry and Formal Vote stages the Consultant carries out 'official' assessments. Should the result be positive the published EN ISO will be offered to the EC for citation in the Official Journal of the European Union. If the result is negative a solution is required, either modifying the content of the ISO Standard or the European Annex ZA.</p>