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Recommendation 1: Approval of Business Plan


Following the close of the ballot, the Special Group members will hold a ballot resolution meeting via teleconference at 8am EST on May 9th. It is imperative that any National Body voting "NO" participate in this ballot resolution conference call. Details of the conference call venue will be available from the JTC 1 Secretariat, Lisa Rajchel.

The results of the ballot resolution, along with the business plan, if agreed, will be forwarded to the ISO Council no later than May 12th.

Recommendation 2: Special Group Participation and Input

The Special Group acknowledges and appreciates the commercial significance to the National Bodies of the issues under discussion and understands why the majority of the National Bodies were either reluctant or unable to contribute sales revenue data in time for consideration at the meeting. Unfortunately, the lack of both National Body representation at the meeting and National Body contributions to the meeting made it difficult to draw statistically supported conclusions. Therefore, the Special Group once again asks National Bodies to contribute sales revenue data to the ITTF as soon as possible for the purpose of providing a more comprehensive assessment of the impact of free or inexpensive standards.

Recommendation 3: Acknowledgement of Host

The JTC 1 Special Group on Development of a Business Plan for Standards Availability expresses its thanks ANSI for hosting the meeting.

Recommendation 4: Acknowledgement of Convener and Participants

The JTC 1 Special Group on Development of a Business Plan for Standards Availability warmly thanks all the meeting attendees for their active participation at the meeting. In particular, the Special Group gives a BIG THANK YOU to its Convener and document editor, Mr. Francois Coallier, for his leadership and hard work during this meeting.
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In response to JTC 1 Seoul Resolution 26, the JTC 1 Special Group on the Development of a Business Plan for Standards Availability met in New York City.

This duly convened Special Group was chartered to prepare the business model for the distribution of freely available standards.

Prior to the meeting, contributions were received from the National Body of Ireland (J1 N6098) and the ITTF (J1 N6101). Additionally, contributions addressing the issue from Sweden and SC34 were received at the meeting and Canada provided the Convenor.

Representatives of the National Bodies from Ireland, Japan, the UK, and the US participated. The participants were:

**Convenor**

M. François Collier

**National Body Representatives:**

Ireland - Mr. James O'Connor  
Japan - Dr. Yoshihiko Sakashita  
UK - Mr. David Keech  
USA - Mr. Clyde Camp, Ms. Karen Higginbottom,  
Mr. Steve Oksala, Mr. Ron Silletti

**Other Participants:**

ITTF - Mr. Keith Brannon  
JTC 1 Secretariat - Ms. Lisa Rajchel  
SC31 Chair - Mr. Alan Haberman

With minimal NB participants, and the reticent release of viable sales figures from NBs, it was difficult to draw statistically defendable conclusions. None the less, the urgent need for a business case was paramount and a set of findings were derived along with justifiable conclusions and a recommendation. Should this business case be accepted, it
is the sincere hope that JTC 1 NBs will be more responsive and provide the numbers required to progress the business case.

It is the intent of the committee that the business plan be voted on by JTC 1 and 45-day letter ballot will be issued by end of week, March 24 to close on May 8. Committee members will hold a ballot resolution meeting via teleconference at 8am EST on May 9. It is imperative that any National Body voting "NO" participate in this ballot resolution conference call. Details of the conference call venue will be available from the JTC 1 Secretariat, Lisa Rajchel.

Results of the ballot resolution will forwarded to the ISO Council no later than May 12.

The Special Group wishes to thank the Convenor, the meeting host, ANSI, and all of the contributors and participants.