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Resolutions of the 21st Plenary Meeting of ISO/TC 176, Bucharest, Romania

Resolution 1E (2003) – Chairman of SC 1

Recognising the leadership and contributions of the current SC1 Chair, Dr. Youssef El Gammal;

ISO/TC 176 accepts the SC1 proposed re-appointment of Dr. Youssef El Gammal as the SC1 Chairman for a period of three years.

Resolution 2E (2003) – Chairman of SC 2

Recognising the leadership and contributions of the current SC2 Chair, Dr. John Davies;

ISO/TC 176 accepts the SC2 proposed re-appointment of Dr. John Davies as the SC2 Chairman for a period of three years.

Resolution 3E (2003) – Chairman of SC 3

Recognising the leadership and contributions of the current SC3 Chair, Mr. Richard De Groot;

ISO/TC 176 accepts the SC3 proposed re-appointment of Mr. Richard De Groot as the SC3 Chairman for a period of three years.

Resolution 4E (2003) – ISO/TC 176 Business Plan

Referencing the draft Business Plan N789 distributed to members prior to the plenary proceedings and noted in the opening plenary, and

Further noting that no amendments were submitted,

ISO/TC 176 approves the business plan as prepared and requests that it be submitted to ISO Central Secretariat.



Resolution 5E (2003) – Working Group on Interpretations

Noting the approval of the TMB to move the pilot interpretation process to that of an operational one within the TC, and

Further noting the interest of TC members in having the approved interpretations available in the public domain,

ISO/TC 176 requests the Secretary to make the approved interpretations publicly available on the TC 176 website, effective 2003-12-01.

Resolution 6E (2003) – Coordination of Arabic Translations with the ISO TC 207 Arabic Translation Task Force

Noting that coordination in Arabic translations for standards developed by ISO TC 176 and ISO TC 207, is beneficial in achieving harmonized Arabic terminology,

ISO/TC 176 resolves to invite ISO TC 207 to merge their Arabic Translation Task Force with the ISO/TC 176 ATTG into a Joint Arabic Translation Working Group (JATWG).

Resolution 7E (2003) – Publication of the Arabic Translation of the future ISO 10005 *Quality management – Guidelines for quality plans*

Noting the work of the Arabic Translation Task Group (ATTG) during the past year, including the plenary week,

ISO/TC 176 resolves to request ISO Council to publish the ATTG's Arabic translation of ISO 10005 as an official ISO document upon completion of the translation work.

Resolution 8E (2003) – Publication of the Arabic Translation of ISO 10012 *Measurement control systems*

Noting the work of the Arabic Translation Task Group (ATTG) during the past year, including the plenary week,

ISO/TC 176 resolves to request ISO Council to publish the ATTG's Arabic translation of ISO 10012 as an official ISO document upon completion of the translation work.



Resolution 9E (2003) – Publication of the Spanish Translation of ISO/TS 16949 *Particular requirements for the application of ISO 9001:2000 for automotive production and relevant service part organizations*

Noting the completion by the Spanish Translation Task Group (STTG) of their translation of ISO/TS 16949,

ISO/TC 176 resolves to request ISO Council to publish the STTG's Spanish translation of ISO/16949 as an official ISO document.

Resolution 10E (2003) – ISO/TC 176 Transition Plan / Project Planning Task Group

Referencing the Project Planning Task Group (PPTG) N737 regarding the development of Transition Plan N793 for ISO/TC 176 and the work completed during the plenary week,

ISO/TC 176 thanks the PPTG, led by Jack West, for its work over the past year and its continued efforts during the plenary week, accepts the revised Transition Plan N793R, and disbands the PPTG.

Resolution 11E (2003) – ISO 9000 Advisory Group – Member Body Initiatives

Recognizing the importance of assuring the credibility of the standards developed by ISO/TC 176, and in particular the role of ISO 9001:2000 in conformity assessment activities, and

Noting the ongoing work of the ISO 9000 Advisory Group,

ISO/TC 176 requests that a communiqué be circulated to encourage ISO/TC 176 member bodies to:

- Establish and reinforce liaisons on a national or regional basis with accreditation bodies, conformity assessment bodies, auditor certification bodies, organizations, their customers (“purchasers”) and other interested parties,
- Evaluate the credibility of ISO 9001:2000 in its role for conformity assessment, and
- Participate in the development of any joint action plans, providing feedback to the ISO/TC 176 Conformity Assessment Liaison Group as necessary.

**Resolution 12E (2003) – ISO 9000 Advisory Group – Customer Communication**

Recognizing that an organization's customers should be the focus of the ISO 9001:2000 conformity assessment process, and

Noting the ongoing work of the ISO 9000 Advisory Group indicating the need for improved bilateral communication with those customers,

ISO/TC176 resolves to support the ISO 9000 Advisory Group in its initiative to:

- Promote better understanding to customers (as defined in ISO 9000:2000) of the meaning of "ISO 9001 certification" and other statements of conformity, and
- Develop appropriate communication to stimulate feedback from customers to their suppliers and, where appropriate, to their respective certification/registration bodies and/or accreditation bodies.

Resolution 13E (2003) – Report of the Auditing Practices Group

Recognizing the value of providing helpful information to persons involved in the auditing of quality management systems to ISO 9001,

Recalling ISO/TC 176 Resolution 29/2002 which created the Best Auditing Practices Group (a joint group of ISO/TC 176 and IAF),

Noting the changes made to include an editorial review process and the website disclaimer indicating the non-official status of the output documents,

ISO/TC 176 resolves to:

- Change the name of the group to the Auditing Practices Group (APG),
- Permit the TC's membership on the APG to act on the TC's behalf in reviewing the material created, and
- Withdraw the need for a 3-month P-Member comment period.

Resolution 14E (2003) – Alignment of Management Systems

Noting discussion at the recent Joint Coordination Group meeting in Buenos Aires between ISO/TC 176 and ISO/TC 207 officers concerning the alignment of the ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 standards,

ISO/TC 176 resolves to:

- Request that the CSAG create a task group to
 - collect the experiences of organizations management systems that have incorporated requirements of multiple management systems standards, including auditing processes for such systems, and to propose a method for making this information available to the public. The task group should develop a mechanism to do this work in cooperation with TC207, IAF and CASCO as appropriate.
 - study the concepts of alignment of management systems standards in the longer term perspective and ISO/TC 176's role in that.
- Ask its Chair to attend the December, 2003 ISO/TC 207 CAG meeting to present ISO/TC 176's views and address the needs and opportunities regarding the alignment of management system standards and future revision cycles, and
- Further ask its Chair, at the ISO/TC 207 CAG, to outline the ISO/TC 176 intent to create that task group and to invite ISO/TC 207's full participation in this effort through a joint task group.

Resolution 15E (2003) – Twinning

Noting the ISO change notification CN 1/2003 of June 1, 2003 regarding the implementation of the concept of twinning, and

Further noting ISO TMB Resolution 38/2003 on the same subject,

Also noting ISO/TC 176 encourages the sharing of leadership/secretariat responsibilities between developed and developing countries for all new activities,

ISO/TC 176 resolves to:

- Ask the CSAG to create an ad-hoc task group to explore the potential for twinning at the leadership level of the TC, SCs, and WGs, including co-chairing of committees and/or creating Vice-Chair positions, to provide an implementation plan to the TC Secretariat by 2004-03-31, and
- Require the ISO/TC 176 Secretary to provide a progress report at the next plenary meeting.



Resolution 16E (2002) – Expression of gratitude to our Romanian Hosts

ISO/TC 176 resolves to express its deepest gratitude to:

- United Romanian Breweries Bereprod SRL, and
- ASRO, the Romanian Member Body to ISO

For the superb support provided in hosting of our 21st Plenary Meeting in Bucharest

Thank You!