



**ANSI POSITIONS
 ISO GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETINGS
 SEPTEMBER 13, 14 & 15, 2006
 FAIRMONT CHATEAU LAURIER HOTEL BALLROOM
 OTTAWA, ONTARIO, CANADA**

NOTE:

The ANSI delegation should use its best judgment and act consistent with existing and traditional ANSI positions in relation to any comments, proposed actions or resolutions at this meeting that are not reflected in the working documents. If any proposed actions or resolutions seem controversial or problematic, it should be requested that action on them be taken via correspondence, rather than at the meeting. This will allow time for the necessary consultations at the national level on these items.

ISO/GA AGENDA ITEM NUMBER	TITLE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY ANSI POSITION
1	<p>Opening of the Assembly. 1.1 Address of the President. 1.2 Roll call of delegates.</p> <p>Executive summary The ISO President will make welcoming remarks to the participants to the ISO General Assembly. Following his speech, the roll call of delegates will take place.</p> <p>Recommended ANSI position: None, other than having the ANSI head of delegation signify our presence during the roll call of delegates.</p>
2	<p>Adoption of the agenda.</p> <p>Executive summary The ISO General Assembly will be asked to approve the agenda presented in ISO General Assembly document 03/2006 (Rev.).</p> <p>Recommended ANSI position The ANSI delegation will support the adoption of the agenda as presented.</p>
3	<p>Tabling of the minutes of the 2005 ISO General Assembly.</p> <p>Executive summary A draft resolution is offered in the working documents to accept the minutes of the last ISO General Assembly meeting.</p> <p>Recommended ANSI position The ANSI delegation should support the adoption of the draft resolution offered in the working documents.</p>
4	<p>Report of the ISO Secretary-General.</p> <p>Executive summary The working documents provide the secretariat's report, which ANSI staff views as non-controversial informational reports. ISO will also invite a series of regional organizations</p>

	<p>(including COPANT and PASC) in liaison with ISO to make brief reports on their work over the past year.</p> <p>Recommended ANSI position None, other than to accept the ISO Secretary-General's report. We should consider commending the ISO Secretary-General for his good work over the past year to advance the strategic plan of ISO and especially on the successful signing of the ISO/PASC agreement on cooperation.</p>
5	<p>ISO/IEC/ITU Cooperation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address by the IEC representative. • Address by the ITU representative. • World Standards Cooperation. <p>Executive summary: Presentations will be made and information will be shared on the status of cooperative efforts among ISO, IEC and ITU.</p> <p>Recommended ANSI position: ANSI should state that in terms of greater cooperation between ISO and IEC, priority should be given to the following initiatives (consistent with ANSI IPC and PASC decisions on this issue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harmonization, promotion and effective implementation of the global relevance policies. • Develop a shared process for future work on converging/emerging technologies, to allow industry stakeholders an early say in how overlapping or converging work may be addressed to best suit the constituents' needs. • Improved engagement of consumer interests in ISO and IEC standards development. • Ongoing regular joint meetings between the ISO/TMB and the IEC/SMB.
6	<p>Cooperation with WTO.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address by the WTO representative. <p>Executive summary: A presentation will be made and information will be shared on the work of the WTO and its relation to ISO.</p> <p>Recommended ANSI position: ANSI delegation is authorized to determine at its September 12, 2006 meeting in Ottawa any comments it wishes to make relative to this report.</p>
7	<p>Management of technical work.</p> <p>7.1 Technical Management Board initiatives in 2006. 7.2 Presentation of the Lawrence D. Eicher leadership award. 7.3 International Standards: A toolbox to respond to climate change. 7.4 Perspectives for International Standards on Management Systems. 7.5 The ISO Global Directory – A key tool for monitoring participation in the ISO system.</p> <p>Executive summary: This agenda item will feature a series of informational reports and presentations that may be regarded as generally non-controversial in nature. Under item 7.2, the Eicher Award for 2006 will go to ISO/TC 67 (Equipment and materials for the petroleum and natural gas industries), which is an ISO committee secretariat held by ANSI and administered by API. Ms. Cheryl Stark, of BP and the ISO/TC 67 Chair, will be present on Friday morning, September 15, to</p>

	<p>accept the award on behalf of her committee.</p> <p>Recommended ANSI position ANSI delegation is authorized to determine at its September 12, 2006 meeting in Ottawa any comments it wishes to make relative to this report.</p>
8	<p>Panel: “Stakeholder participation – Getting everyone on board”.</p> <p>Executive summary: ISO/CS has organized for this ISO General Assembly to have an exchange of views on stakeholder participation in the form of a panel discussion. A panel of five high profile personalities have been invited to express their views and suggestions regarding the involvement of key stakeholder categories such as industry, consumers and public authorities in ISO’s work through the network of ISO national members and the organizations having liaisons with the ISO Technical and Policy Development Committees.</p> <p>Recommended ANSI position: ANSI delegation is authorized to determine at its September 12, 2006 meeting in Ottawa any comments it wishes to make relative to this report. Please see also the note at the start of this document.</p>
9	<p>Developing countries</p> <p>9.1 ISO actions in support of developing countries. 9.2 Presentation of the Helmut Reihlen 2006 award.</p> <p>Executive summary This agenda item will feature a series of informational reports and presentations that may be regarded as generally non-controversial in nature.</p> <p>Recommended ANSI position ANSI delegation is authorized to determine at its September 12, 2006 meeting in Ottawa any comments it wishes to make relative to this report.</p> <p>This may be a good opportunity to recognize the excellent work of the outgoing ISO DEVCO Chair, Ms. Maureen Mutasa, and the ISO DEVCO Director, Mr. Bernardo Calzadilla for their efforts to bring about real and productive change to the ISO DEVCO program that will carry it into a promising future. In particular, this year’s ISO DEVCO meeting allowing for the exploration of greater cooperation with the ISO/TMB will hopefully provide continuing opportunities to combine the strengths of both DEVCO and the TMB for the benefit of the developing country members of ISO.</p>
10	<p>Highlights of ISO Council actions in 2006.</p> <p>10.1 Implementation of the ISO Strategic Plan 2005-2010. 10.2 Studies on the economic and social benefits of standardization. 10.3 ISO Central Secretariat business plan and budget for 2007 – Report of the ISO Treasurer.</p> <p>Executive summary: This agenda item will feature a series of informational reports and presentations that may be regarded as generally non-controversial in nature.</p> <p>Recommended ANSI position: ANSI delegation is authorized to determine at its September 12, 2006 meeting in Ottawa any</p>

	comments it wishes to make relative to this report.
11	<p>Outcome of the open session held on September 14, 2006 on “Healthcare – Global challenges and opportunities for International Standards”.</p> <p>Executive summary: The ISO GA will discuss the subject open session and determine if any actions are needed. Representatives of AAMI and FDA are on the ANSI delegation to assist in advising our ANSI delegates on this subject.</p> <p>Recommended ANSI position: Please see the note at the start of this document.</p>
12	<p>Endorsement of criteria for appointment/election to ISO Council.</p> <p>Executive summary: The ISO General Assembly is being asked to endorse the ISO Council recommendation that the current criteria for appointment/election to ISO Council should continue to be applied without change at this time.</p> <p>Recommended ANSI position: ANSI supports this ISO Council recommendation.</p>
13	<p>Election of ISO Council members for the 2007-2008 term.</p> <p>Executive summary: The following member bodies have been nominated to fill four Group 3 seats on the ISO Council for the 2007-2008 term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DS (Denmark) • DSM (Malaysia) • SABS (South Africa) • SASO (Saudi Arabia) • SPRING SG (Singapore) <p>ANSI nominated DS, SABS and SPRING SG for election.</p> <p>The following member bodies have been nominated to fill two Group 4 seats on the ISO Council for the 2007-2008 term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MSA (Malta) • PSQCA (Pakistan) • SUTN (Slovakia) <p>Recommended AIC action: In Group 3, ANSI will support Denmark, Malaysia, South Africa and Singapore. In Group 4, ANSI will support Malta and the ANSI delegation is authorized to decide on location in Ottawa whether to support Pakistan or Slovakia based on interactions with them representatives of those countries in Ottawa.</p>
15	<p>Any other business.</p> <p>Executive summary No other items of business are expected at this time.</p>

	<p>Recommended ANSI position Please see the note at the beginning of this document.</p>
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