

ISO/IEC Consultation Event and Survey



2021 Findings

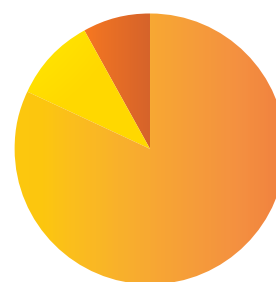
Standards Australia has a strong history of collaboration at ISO and IEC. In recent years this has involved a more proactive approach to the governance and policy of both organisations, with Australia currently holding positions on several key groups, including ISO's Technical Management Board (TMB) and IEC's Standardization Management Board (SMB), Conformity Assessment Board (CAB) and Council Board (CB).

These governance roles give Australia a voice on the policy, operational and strategic direction of ISO and IEC. It is important to Standards Australia that the priorities we pursue on these groups align with the priorities of Australian contributors. We held a consultation event and surveyed Australian stakeholders in May 2021 to shape these priorities.

The key findings from our consultation are included below, however contributors are encouraged to share their feedback on participation at ISO and IEC at any time by contacting us at

 international.participation@standards.org.au

177 participants 107 survey responses



- 82% are participating at ISO or IEC
- 10% are existing committee members not participating internationally
- 8% are technical experts interested in ISO and IEC activities or other

Priority Areas

★ = Top five priorities

Participation

- ★ Rotation of meeting times
- ★ Ability to participate remotely
- ★ Greater diversity in technical, governance and policy groups

Process

- ★ Speed to market
- ★ Transparency in decision making
 - Level playing field for Participating (P) Members
 - More rigorous resolution of comments/ballots

Support

- Innovative format and presentation of standards
- Convergence of IT tools
- Greater promotion and marketing of standards

Next Steps

- Advocate for fair, remote participation on 'ISO/IEC Joint Task Force on new normal'
- Conduct consultation event on an annual basis and share key governance decisions through Standards Australia channels
- Proactively shape ISO's proposal on 'Attracting Young Professionals to ISO' and IEC's existing Young Professionals Programme
- Support increased participation from developing countries through ISO DEVCO and Standards Australia's capacity building work with fellow ISO/IEC members
- Advance and promote initiatives to improve processes, measure speed to market and increase diversity of participation across both organisations.

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