

# 23<sup>rd</sup> session WP 6

Overview of recent developments in standardization

# Standards development & Publishing

## Concentrating on

- Committee performance!
  - ✓ Speed
  - ✓ Better project management
  - ✓ More efficient process
- Moved to XML publishing
- Future options to provide standards more intelligently and in different ways
- New formats
- Stakeholder involvement and partnerships key priority – credible system

# New!

- Using surveys in standards to get user feedback
- Activity on LinkedIn
- New approaches in drafting standards
  - Collaborative authoring
  - 'Virtual' development of a standard
- More translation
- User friendly formats and language

# Session on standards and regulation at ISO GA

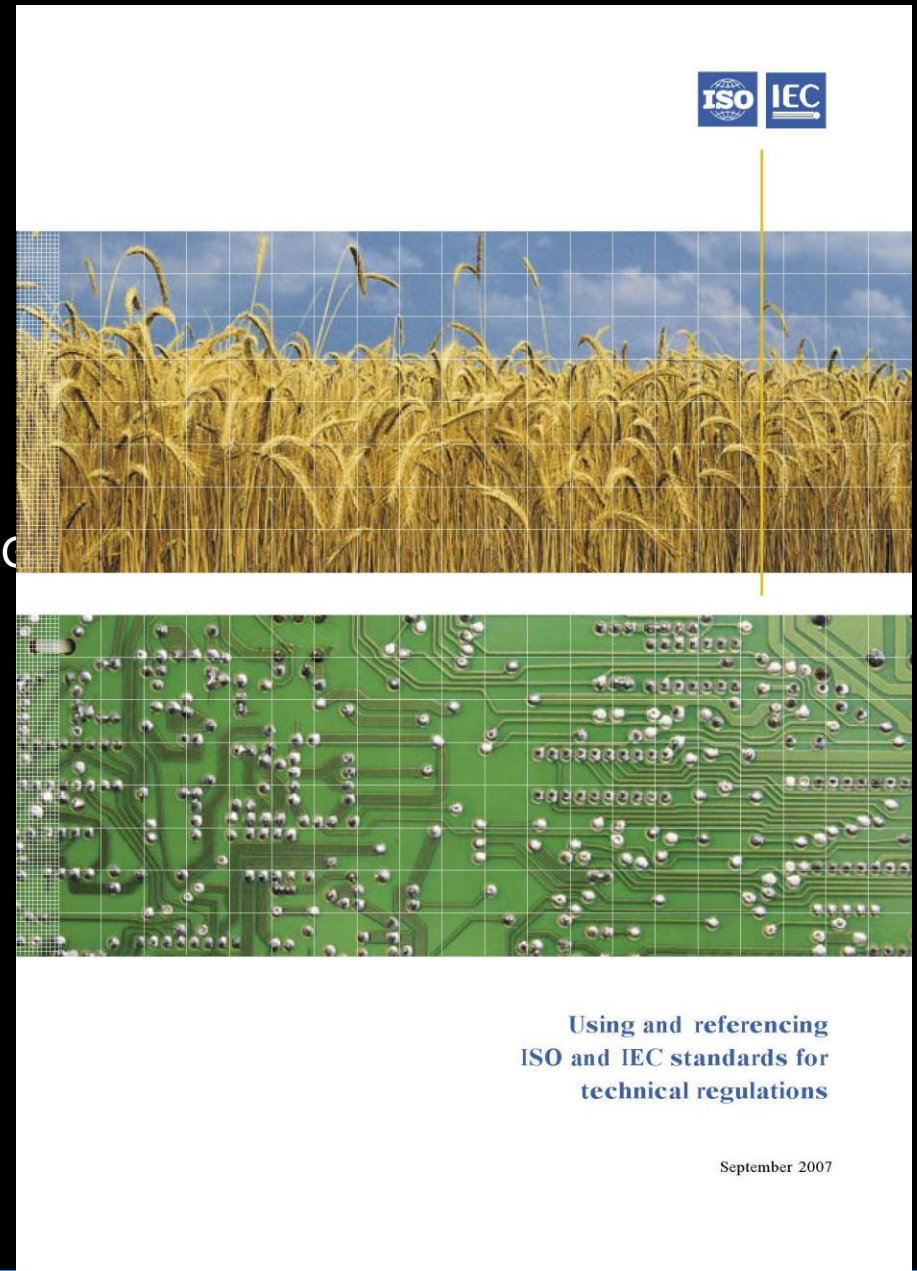
Speakers from WTO, Russia, UK, Israel, South Africa

## Points made:

- Where does GRP fit in this debate?
- How do we address regulator/NSB turf battles at the national level?
- Can we have uniform guidelines on what and when to regulate?
- Can we have material to help ISO members speak to regulators?
- Regulators should set minimum legal requirements and then let standards do the rest.
- Don't call minimum legal requirement a standard - it does not help the clear distinction.

# Referencing standards in regulation

Great tool that explains how standards can assist regulators and what is the best way of referencing standards in regulation  
Opportunity to make it even better with involvement from regulators



# Future

- Update existing ISO guidance on the use of ISO standards to support technical regulations and public policies / 2014
- Prepare an ISO international workshop to communicate and promote the approaches / 2015

**Please support!**

# Key messages on the use of standards by regulators

- Standards are developed by **experts from all over the world** who volunteer their time and ideas
- The ISO System is **funded** to a large extent by the sale of standards
- The ISO System helps **recover the costs of organizing the development** process and to make standards widely available
- The sales model provides a **fair, user-based way to recover costs**
- **Regulators can benefit from using standards** instead of developing their own individual requirements
- We constantly look at **new ways to improve access to standards**, while **ensuring costs are recovered** to develop them
  
- Given this, if there are new or innovative ideas to fund the development of standards, then we are happy to discuss further