

ISO-IEC / JTC 1

Plenary highlights – Nov 4th – 8th 2024, Seoul, Korea

Thirty national bodies took part in the November 2024 plenary held in Seoul, Korea, supported by the National Radio Research Association (NRRA), Telecommunications Technology Association (TTA) and the Electronics and Telecommunications Research Institute (ETRI). This plenary was notable for the attendance of several national bodies that typically do not participate in person. On this occasion, representatives from Ecuador, Trinidad and Tobago, and Zimbabwe were able to be physically present, adding a diverse and enriching perspective to the discussions.



During the five-day meeting, all JTC 1's subcommittees, working groups, advisory groups and adhoc groups had the opportunity to present updates on their recent activity, immediate business plan, challenges and good-news stories. Many of these items promoted healthy discussions, leading to positive actions to further enhance the group's position and direction.



Joshua Boodho (Trinidad and Tobago), Fabricio Hoyos (Ecuador),
Ennie Pindura (Zimbabwe)

Consumer protection

Following six months of examination, detailed discussion and documentation, JTC 1's adhoc group 9 presented their findings in relation to potential scopes to support the establishment of a new subcommittee on Consumer related aspects of privacy. The report was a welcome step in helping to finalise the actions to allow for an agreement to be made on the new subcommittee's scope. JTC 1 endorsed one of the options proposed by AhG 9, and after some additional fine tuning agreed on the way forward for the establishment of the following subcommittee, subject to approval by ISO/TMB and IEC/SMB:

SC 44 Information technology - Consumer protection in the field of privacy by design

Scope: Standardization of consumer protection in the field of privacy by design for products, goods and services, including their data lifecycles.

The proposal also sees the UK National Body as the secretariate and Jan Schallaböck from Germany as the subcommittee chair.

JTC 1 Emerging Technologies Initiative (JETI), survey results

JTC 1's advisory group 2 (JETI) presented the results and the report following the 2024 annual survey. It highlighted that out of the current list of possible technology candidates, some

appeared to be considerably higher in importance than others including: Artificial general intelligence, Sustainable ICT, Intelligent uncrewed systems and Cross border data flow (DFFT). Noting the results of the report that were presented, the advisory group will now take the data back to the group and analyse it further to decide how some of the technologies can be moved forward to establish them, ultimately as standards within JTC 1.

Changes in Leadership

JTC 1 made the following changes in leadership of SC Chairs:

SC 6 *Telecommunications and information exchange between systems* sees the departure of the Chair Dr. Hyun K. Kahng and welcomes his replacement Dr. Shingak Kang

SC 25, *Interconnection of information technology equipment* sees the departure of the Chair Rainer Schmidt and welcomes his replacement Matthias Fritsche.

SC 39, *Sustainability, IT and Data Centres* sees the departure of the Chair David Reiner and welcomes his replacement Ricardo Gonzalez Llera.



Left to right: Matthias Fritsche (incoming SC 25), Dr. Shingak Kang (incoming SC 6) Dr Hyun K Kahng(outgoing SC 6)

Succession planning

The work by the adhoc group (8) on *Succession planning* continue to progress well. The group has been reconstituted until May 2025 and will present its final outcome of the guidance document at the May Plenary meeting.

Liaisons

The following Liaison organizations attended in person and reported their updates: ISO TC 307 and ECMA International. These updates from ISO TC 307 and ECMA International reflect their ongoing efforts to advance standards in their respective fields and their commitment to contributing to the global standards community. ICAO, which was approved as a JTC 1 liaison earlier in 2024, presented a liaison report which gave an overview of the organization and its work.



Left to right: Sal Francomacaro ISO TC307, Samina Husain ECMA International

Coming up

Following on from the success of previous on-line workshops, look out for possible workshops in the coming months on:

Foresight workshop: Identifying and discussing major trends and directions of future emerging technologies by JTC 1.AG 2(JETI), Thursday 23rd January 2025 (12:00-15:00 UTC)

SC 35 Normalization User Interfaces (NORMUI) workshop in January 2025

ISO/IEC AI Workshop

Awards 2024

Congratulations to all the following participants in achieving recognition for the IEC 1906 award in 2024:

HOLLAND, Tony - United Kingdom
KUNG, Antonio - France
LI, Yun - China
SCHICKETANZ, Dieter - Germany
STOCKHAMMER, Thomas - United States



JTC 1 now looks forward to May 2025 (5th – 9th) where the next plenary will take place in Singapore. This will be a hybrid meeting.





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