

2008 Open Forum for Standards Developers

# **IEEE-ISTO**

**Industry Standards and Technology Organization** *affiliated with the IFFF and the IFFF Standards Association* 

# IEEE-ISTO – a unique "COOPE -ration compe- TITION" case study

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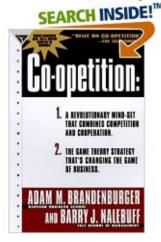
# **Agenda**

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# **Coop-etition Defined**

- "Co-opetition focuses on cooperation between companies in imperfectly competitive markets."
- "Co-opetition can lead to a plus-sum game, in which the sum of what is gained by all players is greater than the combined sum of what the players entered the game with."



1996 book, *Co-opetition*, by Harvard and Yale business professors, Adam M. Brandenburger and Barry J. Nalebuff.

"You have to compete and cooperate at the same time"





## **IEEE: A Change Agent**

- 1890 Established the Henry—a practical unit of inductance
- 1898 First dedicated effort toward standardization of electrotechnology in US
- 1912 Institute of Radio Engineers formed its first standards committee
- 1958 Joint Standards Committee of AIEE and IRE
- 1963 Merger of AIEE and the IRE
- 1973 Establishment of the IEEE Standards Board
- √ 1998 IEEE Standards Association (IEEE-SA)
- √ 1999 IEEE Industry Standards and Technology Organization (IEEE-ISTO)
- ✓ 2004 IEEE Standards Corporate Program



### IEEE-SA + IEEE-ISTO = IEEE Standards Activities

Synergies between the two organizations will produce opportunities and benefits for both that neither could enjoy alone

"Formal Standards"

**IEEE-SA** 

- Consensus
  - Openness
- Due Process
- Formal Processes

IEEE has best of both worlds - able to meet the needs of its customers through complementary processes



**IEEE-ISTO** 

- Market Driven
- Limited Consensus
  - Focused on **Implementation**
- Proactive Marketing
- Customized Process



# Why the IEEE-ISTO in 1999?

- Standards environment had evolved
  - Business and market strategies rely on standards
  - IEEE must change to keep pace
- Ensure continuation of the IEEE's global recognition in standards
- IEEE's international partners were well along on this path



### The IEEE-ISTO: Background

- □ 15 November 1998 approved by IEEE Board of Directors (1 January 1999 Launch)
  - Formation sponsored by the IEEE-SA
  - Affiliated with the IEEE and the IEEE-SA
  - 501(c)(6) Not-For-Profit Corporation
  - Complement to the IEEE-SA
- Forum under which consortia standards development activity can be organized.
  - Flexible, alternative development processes and procedures.
  - Extends the scope of standards activities the IEEE is able to support.
  - Recognition and response to industry's standards development needs

### **ISTO** Vision and Mission

### **Vision**

To be the premier trusted partner of the global technology community for the **development**, **adoption**, and **certification of industry** standards.

### **Mission**

To facilitate the life cycle of industry standards development through a staff committed to **neutrality**, **quality**, and **member satisfaction**.



# 2008 Board of Directors (6)

Business and affairs of IEEE-ISTO managed by its President and COO/CFO under direction of IEEE-ISTO BoD:

- —Jon Adams, Director Radio Technology and Strategy, Freescale
- —Gerald T. Lane (Chairman) Director, Corporate Standards Practices, IBM
- —Roger Martin, Director of Standards, AOL
- Marco W. Migliaro, President and CEO, IEEE-ISTO
- Bill Smith, Director, Business Alliances, Sun Microsystems
- Don Wright, Director of Standards, Lexmark International



# **Current ISTO Programs (12)**



























# **Typical Program Lifecycle**

Formation / Launch

Organization and Community Development

Promotion of Deliverables and Evangelism (e.g., Specs, Brand, Compliant Products)

Compliance and Interoperability

(e.g., Specs implemented in Products)





# **IEEE-ISTO: Themes and Value Propositions**

- Community
- Ecosystem
- SpecificationCreation
- Conformance and Interoperability
- Networking
- PR and Events
- Thought Leadership through Participation

- Market Driven and Relevant
- Developer Conferences
- Interoperability Events
- Promote / Foster Adoption
- Industry Awareness
- Branding
- Reduced Time to Market
- Technology Incubation
- Legal Infrastructure



# Offerings and Secretariat Resources

- Strategic Planning and Implementation
- Trademarks, Intellectual Property and Licensing
- HQ Office and Identity
- Record Keeping
- Financial Management
- Membership Support
- Promotion, Marketing, and Press Relations

- Planning, Meeting Management and Forum Activities
- Publication and Document Mgmt.
- IP Mgmt. and Admin.
- Conformance and Interoperability Testing
- On-Line Support and Communications



### **IEEE-ISTO: Activities**

- Standards development activities do not necessarily stop with the publication or approval of a standard
- Mutual goal with IEEE-SA to promote resulting standards to gain market acceptance, support implementation and product development
- IEEE-ISTO supports both development and post-development activities
  - Certification, Conformance Testing,
     Proactive Marketing, Branding,
     Interoperability Demonstrations and
     Plugfests, Technology Licensing

### **IEEE-ISTO** and the **IEEE-SA**: Distinctions Overview

- IEEE-ISTO provides complementary services IEEE-SA cannot
- Key differences in structure:
  - Financial Model
  - Governance and Legal Status
  - Operating Procedures and Philosophies
  - Products and Support
- IEEE-ISTO extends scope and focus of IEEE's Standards Activities
  - A complement to, not a competitor with!



### ISTO and SA Distinctions: Financial Model

### **IEEE-ISTO**

- Self-supporting through fees for support and infrastructure provided to each program
- Standards to be distributed as freely as groups require and fund
- No sale of standards
- Conformity Assessment Activities
  - ISTO role as Certification Authority

- Self-supporting through sale of standards, membership, Registration Authority
  - Growing alternative revenue streams based on funded support
- Copyright and IP restrictions on distribution of standards
- Sale of standards represents revenue



### ISTO and SA Distinctions: Governance and Legal Status

### **IEEE-ISTO**

- □ 501(c)(6)
- Incorporated in Delaware
- License Agreement to use IEEE name and service marks
- IEEE-ISTO Board of Directors
- Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation

- □ 501(c)(3)
- IEEE incorporated in NY
- An IEEE entity
- Governed by:
  - IEEE BoD; IEEE-SA BoG; IEEE-SA Std.Bd.
- IEEE Bylaws and IEEE-SA Bylaws



### **ISTO and SA Distinctions: Procedures**

### **IEEE-ISTO**

- Tailored, flexible:
  - scope,
     membership,
     voting, consensus
     requirements, and
     structure
- Unique procedures developed and approved by Program

- Similar procedures applied to all standards activities
- ANSI and IEEE-SA principles define:
  - consensus,
     openness, balance
     and right of
     appeal
- Standards Board approval and review



### ISTO and SA Distinctions: Products and Support

### **IEEE-ISTO**

- IEEE-ISTO Industry Group Standards, Specifications
- Marketing
- Conformity Assessment
- Pre-development planning and research
- Products to clearly describe their origin to differentiate

- IEEE Standards
- Collections and Online Subscriptions
- Registration Authority
- Standards Information Network
- Process Support
- Editorial Support



### **IEEE International Collaboration**

- ISO/IEC JTC1
  - 25+ years of adoption of IEEE network, operating systems, microprocessor, and software engineering standards
- - 30% of existing IEC library built on IEEE standards
  - Current Dual Logo agreement facilitates rapid adoption: Power, Energy, Design Automation
- ISO
  - Joint project with medical devices standards
- ITU
  - Formal international recognition from radio and telecommunications sectors

# ISTO Programs and Collaboration - Successes

- VoiceXML / W3C
- Liberty Alliance Project / OASIS (SAML)
- Printer Working Group / IEEE Printing Stds.
- Success dependent upon level of cooperation and common goals
  - Move beyond information exchange
  - Address IP issues up front, if necessary
  - In each case there is a complementary tangible role for each organization.
  - Overlap of work is often a (mis)perception within marketplace



### **Additional Information**

### **Questions?**

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