Standards Speed+Agility

The OASIS Open perspective
OASIS Open - setting the standard for 30 years

Widely respected

ANSI Accredited
PAS Submitter to ITU, ISO, IEC, JTC-1
Member of European Multi-Stakeholder Platform on ICT Standardization

Diverse service programs creating hundreds of Specifications

Technical Committees. Developing specifications in an open, lightweight process with a path to recognition in international policy and procurement—with both integrity and rapid progress.

Open Projects. Working in an environment of cross-organizational sharing and collaboration, where you can develop open-source code and standards, too.

Foundation-as-a-Service. Providing the infrastructure and fiscal agency services to quickly form and run an independent foundation.

Technical Advisory Groups to ISO. Representing U.S. interests in global standards produced by ISO.

Enabling innovation, interoperability, market-building and competition through Structured Information Standards
What helps speed and agility

- Powerful business “opportunities” clearly visible
- Balanced Charter
  - Identified deliverables
  - Reasonable Scope
- Strong community engagement
  - Range of perspectives in the development process
  - Strong community engagement is a signal of strong community adoption
- Balanced leadership – both technical vision and personal engagement
- Majority rules – with transparency
- Strong and early feedback loops – think open-source
Making Standards development faster

Scope the Charter, expecting iterative versions

Look at your community engagement practices and licensing to reduce early firewalls

Open the process to outside community input as early as possible

Committee leadership is vital. Both process and technical!
The committee process is the test-
Leadership and clear vision are the answer

- Personal leadership
- Technical vision
- Goals remain visible and achievable

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Open Source can be your friend

OS tools are normal for software and code development

Developers think and live in repositories and the Pull Request/Commit process – not static versioned documents
Tools are readily available

OS licensing is usually given at contribution – not spec finalization
Helps bring community closer and engaged in the ecosystem

OS implementations can be a vital feedback mechanism for the specification developers
Let's continue the conversation

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