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Dear Experts,

Message from the Chairs

Opening a direct communication channel with the ISO working group on Social Responsibility, we would like to make some comments on issues that some WG SR experts have been discussing, which we have been following with great interest.

(a) In a meeting with the ISO Technical Management Board (TMB), carried out last June in Switzerland, at the occasion of the 3rd Conference for ISO/TC Chairs, TMB, the highest ISO technical governing body reiterated its support to the success of our work and the confidence on the WG leadership, as well as the commitment of TMB members presence at the Bangkok meeting.

(b) The recent TMB resolution on the type of the International Standard had the purpose of better aligning the New Work Item Proposal with the previous discussions of this subject as a way to help the Bangkok meeting to succeed.

(c) A letter explaining the intention of this resolution that was sent to us by the TMB Chair, Ziva Patir, is attached herewith for you information.

We are therefore confident that we are able to continue our activities in the best spirit of cooperation. It is our responsibility to prepare a standard that reflects the best solution possible on Social Responsibility. It goes without saying that we count on your commitment and support, to concentrate our efforts on the success of our job and, why not say, in favour to help building a better world.

See you in Bangkok.

Yours sincerely,

Secretariat of ISO/TMB/WG SR

Jorge Cajazeira
Chair

Catarina Munck af Rosenschöld
Vice-chair

From: Ziva Patir [patir@sii.org.il]
Sent: den 6 juli 2005 13:56
To: Anna-Karin Jansson
Cc: SMITH Michael
Subject: TMB Resolution 38/2005

Dear Colleagues,

The TMB passed a resolution at its meeting earlier this month concerning the SR project and it may be useful if I provide some context to the decision.

Let me say firstly that the WG leadership has the full confidence and support of the TMB and we appreciate that the task is indeed very challenging. We also attach great importance to this project, in particular because of its involvement of stakeholders who are new to the ISO process and expanding ISO's stakeholder engagement is a key objective in ISO's strategic plan.

As you know, TMB members are informed, either directly or via some of their experts, about the discussions within the working group and its task groups. At the TMB meeting, one of the issues discussed was the lack of clarity there appears to be regarding preparation of the SR guidance standard in the form of a management system standard (MSS). This appears partly to be the result of different perceptions about the intent behind the words in some of the TMB resolutions, new work item proposal, etc. and it was felt that, rather than leaving it to the experts to debate their own interpretations of what the TMB meant, the TMB as a whole should offer to provide a clarification that the WG needs.

The further offer of clarification is made in the hope that all open, basic questions can be answered prior to your meeting in Bangkok and thereby contribute to a successful meeting during which you will be able to focus on social responsibility issues rather than process or scope issues.

With best wishes for a successful meeting,

Yours sincerely,
Ziva Patir

"Anna-Karin Jansson" <anna-karin.jansson@sis.se> wrote on 20/06/2005
13:51:11:

> Dear Mrs Patir,
> Enclosed please find the letter from the WG SR chairs presented to you
> last Friday.
> For discussion of your response to the letter you are welcome to
> contact Kristina at +46 70 728 76 52.
> Best regards,
> Anna-Karin Jansson
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