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# COPANT-PASC Presentation “Guidance on Standards and Technical Regulations”

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## Background

- BSI Initiative to ISO/TMB
- Converted to Joint Effort with IEC/SMB
- TMB process
- SMB process
- Competitive collaboration



## Current Status

- Issued 2007 03 29 to ISO and IEC members
- Co-signed by ISO SG and IEC GS
- Comments Due 2007 05 04
- Approval by TMB and SMB week of June 4
- Publication June 15
- Reference doc for ISO GA Open Session Sept 20
- “International Standards and public policies”



## Collateral Materials

- Brief promotional flyer
- PowerPoint Presentation



## Approach

- Intended audience:
- Regulatory executives
- Drafters of regulation
- Information document (not a guide)
- Promotion of Benefits
- Application to many government styles
- Flexible for different economies



## Contents

- Single page exec summary
- 9 pages of text:
  - Introduction
  - International trade and standards
  - Global applicability of ISO and IEC standards
  - Different types of ISO and IEC standards
  - Methods of referencing and using ISO and IEC standards in technical regulation
  - Other considerations
  - Conclusion



## Annexes

- Examples of ISO and IEC standards at work in different sectors (6 pages)
- Examples of national and regional regulatory texts which refer to standards (8 pages)
- Examples of national and regional policies on using standards in technical regulations (8 pages)





## Example of Use

- SCC presentation to Transport Canada – federal regulator
- Provided examples from draft on:
  - transport of dangerous goods
  - road vehicles
  - railways
- Well received, connections between international regulatory bodies and standards clear



## Recommended

- Suitable to attract the attention of government ministers
- Suitable to open minds of regulator drafters to possibilities