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Benefits of Liaison

- Enlarge pool of technical review available to WG9;
- make WG9 documents more readily available to SIGAda members ...
- … without diminishing resources of National Bodies.
“Basics” about WG9

- ISO/IEC JTC1/SC22/WG9 is a hierarchical organization. WG9 follows rules set by its parent bodies.
- WG9 has subgroups called “Rapporteur Groups.”
- “Members” of WG9 are “National Bodies” -- countries.
- All voting and participation in WG9 and its subgroups is by representatives of National Bodies ...
- … except that designated “Liaison” organizations may participate, but not vote.
Available forms of Liaison

- **Internal versus External**
  - Internal … other ISO and ISO committees
  - External … other organizations, like ACM SIGAda

- **Categories of Liaison**
  - Category A … with JTC1 or SC22 … not applicable here.
  - Category B … for organizations who wish to be kept informed.
  - Category C … for organizations who wish to participate with a working group, like WG9.

- **Types of Liaison**
  - Technical … via exchange of representatives
  - Formal … via exchange of documents.
Possible Statement of Benefits and Responsibilities

- SIGAda would comply with JTC1 directives regarding liaisons.
- SIGAda would provide a point of contact for WG9 matters.
- Upon invitation, SIGAda would provide coordinated technical review of documents produced by WG9 Rapporteur Groups.
- To enable technical review, SIGAda would be allowed to redistribute WG9 documents to designated members.
Category C liaisons are proposed by JTC 1 to the ITTF after receiving a recommendation from the appropriate JTC 1 subsidiary body, i.e., an SC (or WG reporting directly to JTC 1).

Each request for liaison status forwarded to JTC 1 from an appropriate JTC 1 subsidiary body must contain a statement of expected benefits and responsibilities accepted by both the JTC 1 organization and the organization requesting liaison status.

The liaison group must agree to pay any meeting and documentation expenses that other participants are required to pay.

The JTC 1 subsidiary body shall review the liaison activity on a two-year cycle to ensure that the liaison group is, in fact, actively participating and there is appropriate NB participation. The result of this review shall be forwarded to ITTF for further action.

The ITTF must reaffirm the liaison status of the organization if there is continued evidence of active participation in the work of the WG or project and appropriate NB participation exists.