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Re: Editorial Comments on Format of ISPs

SGFS has recently circulated editorial comments from ITTF on a number of DISPs which were under ballot. Some of the comments, attracted my attention as the editor of TR 10000-1, since Annex A of the TR modifies the provisions of the IEC/ISO Directives Part 3 for the purposes of ISP format. Either SGFS needs to include changes to the TR to align with the points you cover in your comments, or else you need to modify your comments to the DISP Project Editors.

The points I noted were as follows:

"Sequential numbering of notes" - my reading of the directives (2.5.3) makes this an optional scheme; the DISPs seem to follow the rules of this clause.

"The Conformance Clause should be Clause 2". I do not know where this requirement derives from; there is no such statement in the Directives, nor in TR 10000-1; in addition, Annex E of the Directives indicates that Scope and Normative References should normally be clauses 1 and 2 respectively. I believe the origin of

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this clause (which is not mandated by TR 10000-1) to be in the requirements originally laid down by CEN/CENELEC for European Functional Standards, and these DISPs are all produced by EWOS editors who have already progressed corresponding ENVs. The published ISPs 10607-x all follow this format with a conformance clause 5.

Clause 3.1 - Definitions: Both Directives 2.4.1 and TR 10000-1 A.5.1 mandate a standard introductory sentence "For the purposes of this International Standard(ized Profile) the following definitions apply); this is missing in all cases. However, the words to which you object regarding referenced base standards are based on the phraseology of TR 10000-1, and should be allowed to stand. It is included in the text of the published ISPs 10607-x

The freedom to omit the text of the definitions inherited from referenced base standards is explicitly permitted by TR 10000-1 A.5.1.

The comment on DISP 11183-1 3.2.1 regarding "mandatory or optional" is not valid; the text correctly identifies mandatory or optional features in the base standard as being sutiable for representation as "mandatory" in a profile.

The comment on DISP 11183-2 3.1.2 regarding "proforma" is invalid - PICS Proformas (or proformae?) are the subject of many JTC1 standards, and this usage is always employed. TR 10000-1 also uses the single word form. See ISO/IEC 9646-1 3.4.7.

In the three ODA DISPs (10610, 11181, 11182) the following similar comments are invalid:

I understand that the dual notation of references to paired ISO/IEC standards and CCITT recommendations is agreed practice for such JTC1 standards. (Andrew Chandler, who has been involved in the ISO/IEC-CCITT discussions, is currently editing an ISO standard in this fashion).

The text introducing Clause 2, Normative References should come from TR 10000-1 A.4.3, and this differs from the text from the Directives which you quote.