



Report of the Chairman for the 12th plenary meeting of ISO/TC 197 on 4 September 2003 in Grenoble, France

Dear members

As the date of the 12th plenary meeting of ISO/TC 197 is approaching, I thought that it was important that I brief the participating member bodies of ISO/TC 197 on some of my thoughts for ISO/TC 197 and give you a quick update of the main activities that I have been involved with over the past year. Throughout this time, I have appreciated the input and support of our Secretary, Ms. Sylvie Gingras.

At the outset, I would like to make it clear that I am totally committed to the success of ISO/TC 197. I have always been a great believer in international codes and standards activities and, with your help, ISO/TC 197 can become a strong technical committee that can help advance the so called "Hydrogen Economy".

Governments around the world are looking at avenues to meet their Kyoto emission targets. ISO/TC 197 can play a major role towards the reduction of green-house gas emissions by facilitating the development of hydrogen and relevant new technologies. Indeed, the work of ISO/TC 197 can definitely help hydrogen become a reality in everyday life by speeding up technology development, fostering technology acceptance and facilitating global trade.

ISO/TC 197 needs to make sure that it meets the needs of its stakeholders. To do so, we will have to keep the ISO/TC 197 business plan current and relevant. From time to time, I will request updates of hydrogen related developments from our national members.

It is important for ISO/TC 197 to increase its visibility so that interested parties are aware of its activities and participate as experts in its workings groups. Various efforts have already been made in this regard, including presentations of ISO/TC 197 activities during hydrogen conferences and preparation of an article on ISO/TC 197 that will be published in the next issue of the ISO Bulletin.

I have been actively working with ISO/TC 22 *Road vehicles*, IEC/TC 105 *Fuel cell technologies* and UN/ECE *United Nations Economic Commission for Europe* who are important liaison partners of ISO/TC 197. In working with the UN, I have enjoyed strong support from the ISO Central Secretariat (see attached letter) and from ISO/TC 22. I would like to personally thank Mr. Jean-Pierre Cheynet, the Secretary of this technical committee for his full cooperation and support.

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I appreciate the opportunity of leading this group and believe that together we can make a difference for the hydrogen industry.

Looking forward to seeing you in Grenoble.

Yours sincerely,



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Chairman of ISO/TC 197

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