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TO THE ISO MEMBER BODIES

Our ref. TMB / ISO/TS/P 202

Date 2006-06-19

Dear Sir or Madam,

ISO/TS/P 202 Fisheries and aquaculture

Please find attached herewith a proposal for a new field of technical activity submitted by SN (Norway).

According to subclause 1.5.6 of Part 1 of the ISO/IEC Directives, you are kindly invited to complete the attached ballot form and return it to the Secretariat of the ISO Technical Management Board before **19 September 2006**, or electronically as an attachment to tmb@iso.org if you wish to reply by e-mail. The ballot form (Form 02) could also be downloaded from the [ISOTC Portal](#) in the section [ISO forms](#).

Yours faithfully,

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Michael A. Smith
Secretary of the Technical Management Board

Encl:
TS/P 202
Ballot form (Form 02)

cc: Vice-President (technical management)



PROPOSAL FOR A NEW FIELD OF TECHNICAL ACTIVITY	
Date of proposal 2006-06-09	Reference number (to be given by Central Secretariat)
Proposer SN (Norway)	ISO/TS/P 202

A proposal for a new field of technical activity shall be submitted to the Central Secretariat, which will assign it a reference number and process the proposal in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives (part 1, subclause 1.5). The proposer may be a member body of ISO, a technical committee or subcommittee, the Technical Management Board or a General Assembly committee, the Secretary-General, a body responsible for managing a certification system operating under the auspices of ISO, or another international organization with national body membership. Guidelines for proposing and justifying a new field of technical activity are given in the ISO/IEC Directives (part 1, annex Q).

The proposal (to be completed by the proposer)

<p>Subject (the subject shall be described unambiguously and as concisely as possible)</p> <p>Fisheries and Aquaculture</p>
<p>Scope (the scope shall define precisely the limits of the proposed new field of activity and shall begin with "Standardization of ..." or "Standardization in the field of ...")</p> <p>Standardization in the field of fisheries and aquaculture. Important aspects would be environmental awareness, monitoring of biological resources, interphase between technology and biology, animal health and welfare, occupational health and safety, food safety, traceability and terminology. Production and utilization of all types of edible materials and products derived from aquatic biological organisms as well as the organisms themselves are included.</p> <p>Excluded: Standardization of water quality (dealt with by ISO/TC 147), fishing nets (dealt with by ISO/TC 38) and food quality and food products as such (dealt with by ISO/TC 34).</p>
<p>Purpose and justification (the justification shall endeavour to assess the economic and social advantages which would result from the adoption of International Standards in the proposed new field)</p> <p>The industries, businesses and trades connected to fisheries and aquaculture are all of an international nature. The same applies for the production of and trade with fish and fish products, as well as the equipment used in aquaculture and fisheries. Many of the processes involved have potentially far-reaching environmental impacts. Major consumer interests need to be taken into account connected with e.g. food safety.</p> <p>A sustainable development within the industry is to a large extent dependent on a variety of international agreements, in relation to trade, environmental awareness, safety and utilization of natural resources.</p> <p>In order to make the above-mentioned industry, business and trade more effective without losing sight of sustainable development, standardization can play a significant role.</p> <p>When applicable, the standards shall act as tools to supplement legislation and international agreements.</p>

Programme of work (list of principal questions which the proposer wishes to be included within the limits given in the proposed scope, indicating what aspects of the subject should be dealt with, e.g. terminology, test methods, dimensions and tolerances, performance requirements, technical specifications, etc.)

The committee shall develop standards describing test methods, performance requirements, procedures, dimensions and tolerances, technical specifications, formats for information storage and exchange as well as terms and definitions that allow for unambiguous communications.

Survey of similar work undertaken in other bodies (relevant documents to be considered: national standards or other normative documents)

NS 9400 First hand fish trade - Data elements of the contract note - Terms and codes

NS 9403 Information interchange in the fish breeding industry

NS 9410 Environmental monitoring of marine fish farms

NS 9415 Marine fish farms - Requirements for design, dimensioning, production, installation and operation

CWA 14659 Traceability of fishery products - Specification on the information to be recorded in farmed fish distribution chains

CWA 14660 Traceability of fishery products - Specification on the information to be recorded in captured fish distribution chains

Norwegian Ministry of Fishery and Coastal Affairs - Technical requirements for fish farming installations (Oslo 2005)

International conference report: Farming the deep blue (Ireland 2004)

Fundación Chile: Code of good environmental practices for well managed salmonid farms (Santiago, Chile 2001)

Liaison organizations (list of organizations or external or internal bodies with which cooperation and liaison should be established)

ISO/TC 34 Food products

ISO/TC 147 Water quality

ISO/TC 38 Textiles

CEN/TC 248 Textiles

ICES: International Council for the Exploration of the Sea

FAO: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Codex Alimentarius Commission

OECD: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

Other comments (if any)

Standards Norway (SN) is prepared to undertake the secretarial duties of the proposed committee.

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Signature of the proposer **Ivar Jachwitz, SN**

Comments of the Secretary-General (to be completed by the Central Secretariat)

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Signature **Michael A. Smith, ISO/TMB**