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Resolution 21: Response to JTC1 Gold Coast Resolution #33–IT Vocabulary Project

Resolution
In response to JTC1 Gold Coast Resolution #33, JTC1/SC32 requests that
1) JTC1 make all Parts of ISO/IEC 2382 publicly available standards; and
2) Instruct those responsible for the maintenance of ISO/IEC 2382 not to change or amend the existing definitions and associated terms (English/French) for the concepts defined in the existing 1 st 35 Parts of ISO/IEC 2382 (e.g., reformatting definitions according to the requirements of ISO 10241 is acceptable, but changing the meaning of the term (representing a concept) is not acceptable).

Rationale summary:

A prime reason here is that many of the definition/term pairs in ISO/IEC 2382 are used in other ISO/IEC and ISO standards "as is" as well as in the national standards of JTC1 P-members. Thus any change to the existing definitions and for the concepts defined in ISO/IEC 2382 will have a very disruptive cascade effect on existing international and national standards developed during the past ten years and in widespread use.

A secondary reason is that any suggested change in a definition/term pair (in English and/or French) most likely indicates that those advocating a change most likely have a different concept in mind from that originally defined in (a part of) ISO/IEC 2382.

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