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ISO/TC **248** **N 29**

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PROJECT COMMITTEE: SUSTAINABILITY CRITERIA FOR BIOENERGY (ISO/PC 248)**1st Plenary Meeting, 27-30 April 2010 – Rio de Janeiro****Resolutions****Resolution 01/2010 - Liaisons - APPROVED**

ISO/PC 248 resolves that liaisons should initially be established with ISO Technical Committees and Sub-Committees (internal liaisons). The internal liaisons initially identified are:

- ISO/TC 23/SC 7 (Equipment for harvesting and conservation);
- ISO/TC 28/SC 7 (Liquid biofuels);
- ISO/TC 34 (Agricultural food products);
- ISO/TC 59/SC 17 (Sustainability in building construction);
- ISO/TC 190 (Soil quality);
- ISO/TC 207/SC 1 (Environmental management systems);
- ISO/TC 207/SC 5 (Life cycle assessment);
- ISO/TC 207/SC 7 (Green house gas management and related activities);
- ISO/TC 238 (Solid biofuels);
- ISO/TMB Strategic Advisory Group Energy Efficiency and renewable energy;
- ISO/IEC JPC 2 (Energy efficiency and renewable energy - Common terminology);
- ISO/TMB WG Social Responsibility.

Additional external liaisons will not be sought by ISO/PC 248, until decided otherwise. However, further applications are welcome.

Resolution 02/2010 - Management System Standard - APPROVED

According to the agreed scope of ISO/PC 248, ISO/PC 248 confirms that ISO 13065 will not be a Management System Standard (see ISO Guide 72).

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Regarding initiatives that could support its work, ISO/PC 248 resolves to focus on ISO initiatives.

Members of ISO/PC 248 could bring forth other external initiatives that they consider relevant to be examined in support of its work.

Resolution 04/2010 - Terminology - APPROVED

ISO/PC 248 resolves to focus on those terms that are necessary for the understanding of its standard. For those terms, the PC will take into consideration any definitions already developed by an ISO committee and develop others as necessary.

Resolution 05/2010 - Verification and auditing - APPROVED

ISO/PC 248 understands that an ISO standard cannot impose who would verify compliance. The PC further understands that there are many different pathways to verify compliance with a standard.

Resolution 06/2010 – Objectives - APPROVED

ISO/PC 248 agrees on the following 7 objectives to strive for in the development of the standard:

1. Comply with national and/or regional legislation
2. Respect the Universal Declaration of Human Rights
3. Use natural resources in a rational and sustainable way
4. Bioenergy from production and up to use should be sustainable in relation to biological diversity
5. Reduce GHG emissions in relation to the fossil energy source it substitutes
6. Promote economic and social development where the production up to use of bioenergy occurs
7. Bioenergy production should be economically and financially viable in the long term

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PROJECT COMMITTEE: SUSTAINABILITY CRITERIA FOR BIOENERGY (ISO/PC 248)**Resolution 07/2010 – Rules and guidance for the development of the standard - APPROVED**

ISO/PC 248 agrees that the following 7 rules will guide the development of the standard:

1. Principles, criteria and indicators shall be relevant to all economic operators.
2. We identify, where necessary develop, criteria and methodologies, not set threshold values or limits.
3. We use a science-based approach which translates in measurable results.
4. Principles, criteria and indicators should facilitate comparison among energy options, whenever possible.
5. Showing compliance with principles, criteria and indicators shall not be an undue administrative burden for society or the economic operator.
6. The standard development process shall ensure that flexibility and transparency are built into all sections of the standard.
7. Principles, criteria and indicators should be applicable across all forms of bioenergy.

Resolution 08/2010 – Working groups - APPROVED

ISO/PC 248 agrees to create the following working groups:

- WG 1: Cross cutting issues (including terminology and verification and audit)
- WG 2: Greenhouse gases
- WG 3: Environmental, economic and social aspects
- WG 4: Indirect effects

Regarding the scope of WG 4, ISO/PC 248 confirms Recommendation 6/2009 from the preliminary meeting on 8/9 June 2009 in Berlin.

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PROJECT COMMITTEE: SUSTAINABILITY CRITERIA FOR BIOENERGY (ISO/PC 248)**Resolution 09/2010 – Working group Conveners - APPROVED**

ISO/PC 248 resolves to request the following members to appoint conveners for the Working Groups, two weeks after the meeting at the latest:

- WG 1: The Netherlands
- WG 2: United States
- WG 3: Sweden and Brasil
- WG 4: United Kingdom

The call of experts for the Working Groups will be launched immediately after the meeting for a period of 4 weeks.

Resolution 10/2010 – Structure of the standard - APPROVED

ISO/PC 248 agrees on an initial structure for the standard as detailed in N 28 with the aim to guide the post-Rio-Working Groups in their drafting. ISO/PC 248 acknowledges that this structure might be subject to amendments once the work further develops.

Resolution 11/2010 – Project Plan - APPROVED

ISO/PC 248 resolves to develop ISO 13065 within the extended timeline (4 years). ISO/PC 248 acknowledges and approves the following target dates:

- Registration of DIS: May 2012
- Registration of FDIS: November 2013
- Publication of standard: May 2014

ISO/PC 248 secretariat is asked to update the project plan accordingly.

Resolution 12/2010 – Participation - APPROVED

ISO/PC 248 encourages participating members to ensure a balanced stakeholder participation in their mirror committees. Further, ISO/PC 248 secretariat and the members are requested to motivate more countries, including P-members not present at the 1st meeting, to actively participate in the work of ISO/PC 248.

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PROJECT COMMITTEE: SUSTAINABILITY CRITERIA FOR BIOENERGY (ISO/PC 248)**Resolution 13/2010 – Number of experts in Working Groups and delegates at the table in plenary meetings of ISO/PC 248 - APPROVED**

ISO/PC 248 resolves to limit the number of experts per member in Working Groups to 4. ISO/PC 248 further resolves to limit the number of delegates at the table in plenary meetings to 3 per member. However, additional delegates may attend the plenary meetings.

Resolution 14/2010 – Next meeting - APPROVED

The next meeting will take place in May 2011 tentatively in London, UK:

Resolution 15/2010 – Thanks to ABNT - APPROVED

ISO/PC 248 thanks ABNT for outstanding hospitality and excellent meeting arrangements.

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