



RESULT OF VOTING ON NEW WORK ITEM PROPOSAL 25964 (Thesauri)

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ISO/TC 46 / SC 9

N 469

Title of TC/SC concerned

Information and documentation - Identification and description

To be completed by the secretariat and sent to the ISO Central Secretariat and to all P- and O-members of the TC or SC concerned, with a copy to the TC secretariat in the case of a subcommittee.

<b>Proposal</b>	ISO/TC 46/SC 9 N 458	Circulation	2007-04-30	Deadline	2007-07-30
<b>Title</b> (new title if appropriate; French title to be indicated in all cases, even when no French version is envisaged)					
English title	Information and documentation - Guidelines for the establishment and development of thesauri				
French title	Information et documentation - - Guide pour l'établissement et développement de thesaurus				

**Results** (the compilation of results is given as an annex)

**The following criteria for acceptance have been met:**

Approval by a simple majority of the voting P-members

5 or more P-members voting approval have agreed to participate in the development of the project and have nominated an expert

**In the light of results, the proposal is therefore:**

**Approved** (all approval criteria met)

**Not approved** (one or more approval criteria not met)

**Associated draft**

the associated draft is adopted as a working draft (WD)

the associated draft is approved as a Committee draft (CD)

the associated draft is approved as the proposed Draft International Standard (DIS)

**Further procedures** (attribution to TC/SC/WG, Project Leader, development procedure, meetings, etc.)

The project is to be first registered as a Preliminary Work Item (stage 00.60)

The project is to be immediately registered as an active work item

**Other:** As resolved at the SC9 meeting in May 2007 (see N464, resolution 7), a new SC9 working group (WG 8) is established for Project 25964. Ms. Stella Dextre Clarke (U.K.) is appointed as the Project Leader and Convenor of SC9 Working Group 8.

**Experts** (give details below, or as a separate annex): See attached annex of "Nominated experts".

**Documents to be considered:** British Standard BS 8723: *Structured vocabularies for information retrieval - Guide* [all chapters] - as the proposed starting point for NP 25964.

**Proposed development track**     1 (24 months)     2 (36 months - default)     3 (48 months)

*Note: Selection of a development track will automatically associate default target dates with critical stages. If you envisage that you can advance a project quicker than the default target dates you may indicate your preferred earlier target dates in the field "Target date for submission". **Important!** Quoting earlier target dates implies a commitment to meeting these dates **If you do not want to change the defaults to earlier dates do not put anything in the "Target date for submission" fields.***

<b>Target date for submission:</b>	as a CD:	2008-10-29	as a FDIS:	2010-04-29
	as a DIS:	2009-04-29	for publication:	2010-10-29

<b>Secretariat</b>	<b>Secretary</b>
SCC	Jane Thacker

<b>Registration by the Central Secretariat</b>	
Date	Allocated project number
2007-10-29	25964

Other information, comments, etc. appended

## Compilation of the results of voting on ISO/NP 25964 (Thesauri)

Member body	Member status	Proposal meets criteria for justification [feasible as Globally Relevant Standard]		Agree to add proposed NWI to the programme of work			When a draft has been attached			Comments enclosed	Participation	nominated Expert(s)	no reply
							Accepted Progressing to WD	Accepted as CD	Accepted as DIS				
							Y/N	Y/N	Y/N				
	P/O	Yes	No	Yes	No	Abst.	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N		
SA (Australia)	P					A							
BDS (Bulgaria)	P	Y		Y				Y		N			
SCC (Canada)	P	Y		Y						Y	Y		
SAC (China)	P											X	
ICONTEC (Colombia)	P											X	
HZN (Croatia)	P	Y		Y				Y	N	N	-		
CNI (Czech Republic)	P	Y		Y						N			
DS (Denmark)	P											X	
SFS (Finland)	P	Y		Y						Y	Y		
AFNOR (France)	P	Y		Y				Y		Y	Y		
DIN (Germany)	P	Y		Y			Y			Y	Y		
MSZT (Hungary)	P											X	
UNI (Italy)	P					A							
JISC (Japan)	P											X	
KEBS (Kenya)	P											X	
KATS (Rep. Korea)	P	Y		Y				Y					
SNZ (New Zealand)	P	Y		Y						?	Y		
SN (Norway)	P					A							
PKN (Poland)	P					A							
IPQ (Portugal)	P											X	
GOST R (Russian Fed.)	P											X	
SABS (South Africa)	P											X	
AENOR (Spain)	P											X	
SIS (Sweden)	P	Y		Y						Y	Y		
SNV (Switzerland)	P					A							
ANSI (U.S.A.)	P	Y		Y						Y	Y		
DSSU (Ukraine)	P	Y				A		Y	N			Y	
BSI (U.K.)	P	Y		Y						Y	Y	Y	
<b>Totals (P-members only)</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>

Abstentions and incomplete votes are not counted

Total P-members voting: : 12 out of total 28 P-members

1	2	(3)	4	5	(6)	(7)
MB <sup>1</sup>	Clause No./ Subclause No./ Annex (e.g. 3.1)	Paragraph/ Figure/Table/ Note (e.g. Table 1)	Type of comment <sup>2</sup>	Comment (justification for change) by the MB	Proposed change by the MB	Secretariat observations on each comment submitted
FR			ge	<p>We understand that the text accompanying the NP is only a “skeleton” of the BSI multipart standard proposed as a basis to revise the previous ISO thesauri standards. So we agree to progress the NWI to the CD stage before DIS.</p> <p>We think that consideration should also be given to other national standards as, per example, ANSI/NISO Z39-19:2005, to be sure that the different existing approaches will be covered.</p> <p>We feel the need to change the title which is 33 years old now and to adapt it to the content of the new standard. The French experts will be happy to make suggestions when consensus is reached on the scope.</p>		
US			ge	<p>Thesauri and ontologies have been extremely important for information retrieval and discovery and will continue to become more so as the semantic web is further conceived and developed. Interoperability is a mandatory requirement and must be addressed in every way possible as this will become an integral part of the fiber of the semantic web and this kind of functionality will be expedited with complete ontologies and thesauri that are hierarchical and conceptually based. Concept searching will become more prominent and key in the semantic web for all kinds of searching and especially for research. This kind of searching and research level digging of information will not only be deal with topics but also with persons, places, and organizations, and so the sooner this is considered and designed the better.</p>		

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**Relevant documents:**

- BS 8723, *Structured vocabularies for information retrieval – Guide* [all chapters] – proposed as the basis for the revision project
- ANSI/NISO Z39.19 – 2005, *Guidelines for the Construction, Format, and Management of Monolingual Controlled Vocabularies*