



TRIP REPORT

ISO/TC 204 32nd PLENARY, C/HOD & WORKING GROUP MEETINGS

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Ottawa, Canada

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Introduction

The 32nd Plenary and associated working group meetings of ISO/TC204 (ITS) were held in Ottawa, Canada at the Crowne Plaza Ottawa Hotel on November 9-14, 2008.

The Standards Council of Canada (SCC) hosted TC204 and the SCC's Canadian Advisory Committee for ISO/TC204 organized the event. The local sponsors included Transport Canada, ITS Canada and members of the Canadian Advisory Committee for ISO/TC204 with assistance of the U.S. Technical Advisory Committee for ISO/TC204.

Canadian Delegation and Participation

The Canadian delegation to the 32nd ISO/TC204 meeting was the largest ever and included nine members of the Canadian Advisory Committee for ISO/TC 204 who participated in 5 of the working group meetings and two guest experts who participated in two workshops.

The Canadian Advisory Committee with SCC assistance was also responsible for organizing the Ottawa event including the venue, the social events, the hospitality, the meeting room facilities, the registration of delegates, the secretariat office and obtaining sponsorship. The CAC also planned and organized the APEC-ISO Workshop on intermodal technology.

- 1) William Johnson (TRENDS Consulting), Head of Delegation (HOD)
Represented SCC at Plenary and CHOD meetings, rapporteur to Working Group 7, and Canadian delegate to Working Group 9;
- 2) Dr. Lewis Sabounghi (Sabounghi & Associates), International Convener Working Group 7 (General Fleet Management & Commercial Freight) attended Working Group 7, CHOD and Plenary meetings, and Canadian expert to Working Groups 4, 7 and 7-3;
- 3) Dr. Peter Burns (Transport Canada, Road Safety & Motor Vehicle Regulation)
Canadian expert to Working Group 14;
- 4) Dr. Christina Rudin-Brown (Transport Canada, Road Safety & Motor Vehicle Regulation)
Canadian expert to the Working Group 14;
- 5) Ms. Vittoria Battista (Transport Canada, Road Safety & Motor Vehicle Regulation)
Canadian expert to Working Group 14;



- 6) Ms. Kara John (DMTI Limited)
Canadian expert to Working Group 3;
- 7) Mr. David Tsui (Ministry of Transportation Ontario)
Canadian Expert to Working Group 9;
- 8) Mr. Bernie Grush (Skymeter Corporation)
Canadian expert to TC204
- 9) Mr. Barrie Kirk (Globis Data)
Canadian expert to TC204;
- 10) Mr. Ken Holman (Crane Softright)
Canadian guest expert to APEC-ISO Workshop;
- 11) Ms. Nina Frid (Transport Canada)
Canadian guest expert to Public Transit Security Workshop.

Note: Canada through Standards Council of Canada sponsors the international convener for Working Group 7 (General Fleet Management & Commercial Freight).

Meeting Overview

The Ottawa 2008 TC204 meetings attracted 121 delegates from 16 countries including Australia, Austria, Canada, China, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Japan, Korea, Netherlands, Norway, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom and United States.

Working Groups The following met on Monday to Wednesday prior to the Plenary (names of Canadian experts appear in parentheses; see SCC's Sitescape for meeting reports by Canadian delegates and TIA website for Working Group convener reports):

- WG3 Mobile Data Base (Kara John),
- WG4 Toll Collection (Lewis Sabounghi),
- WG7 General Fleet Management & Commercial Freight (Lewis Sabounghi, W. Johnson),
- WG8 Public Transport and Emergency Services (no Canadian expert),
- WG9 Integrated Transport Information, Management & Control (David Tsui, Wm. Johnson),
- WG14 Vehicle/Roadway Warning and Control (Peter Burns, Christine Rudin-Brown, Vittoria Battista).

Workshops There were three workshops held in conjunction with the TC204 meetings (reports are posted on www.tiaonline.org):

- APEC-ISO Workshop on New Technology and International Standards (Nov 12)
This workshop focussed on intermodal freight operations to improve efficiency in tracking and security of containers in international trade. It was sponsored by Transport Canada and organized by the Canadian Advisory Committee for ISO/TC204 with participation by speakers from TC122/104, USDOT, APEC Intermodal & ITS Expert Group, TC204/WG16 and TC204/WG7.
- Public Transit Security Workshop (Nov 11)
This workshop focussed on transit security with speakers from USA, Europe, Asia.
- U-City Task Force on Business Cases, Technology and Standardization (Nov 11)
A ubiquitous city (U-City) is a city or region with ubiquitous information technology where all systems are linked through wireless means – workshop organized by Korean Agency for Technology and Standards.

Social Events The hosts organized a reception on Wednesday late afternoon at the Crowne Plaza Ottawa Hotel (Pinnacle Room, 70 attendees) and a social event on Thursday evening at Friday's Roast Beef House and Piano Bar (58 attendees). Hospitality for the meetings included coffee service each day (morning and afternoon).



Plenary Meeting Highlights

The Plenary meeting is the focal point of TC204's standards development business activities. The minutes of the Plenary and a list of resolutions approved by the Plenary are posted on the TC204 secretariat website (www.tiaonline.org) and on the SCC website (www.scc.ca).

Minutes of 31st Meeting

The minutes of the Plenary meeting in Munich, Germany on April 18, 2008 were approved (posted on TIA/TC204 website, see 'Further Information').

CHOD Working Group Reports

The draft minutes of the CHOD meeting on the previous day were reviewed and approved (posted on TIA/TC204 website, see 'Further Information').

Liaison Reports

APEC/TWG and ISO/TC204 have a formal liaison arrangement and Mr. Donggeun Choi (Korea) presented the liaison report. He reported that the APEC-TPT Meeting took place recently in Lima, Peru where the proposed Public Transport Information Data Catalogue was discussed and the APEC ITS and Intermodal Expert Group members were encouraged to attend the intermodal workshop in Ottawa and the ITS World Congress in New York. Plans are also being developed to hold a public transit related workshop in conjunction with the next TC204 meeting in Thailand.

APEC/TPT-ISO/TC204 Joint Workshop on November 12, 2008 in Ottawa

Mr. Choi reported on the successful outcome of the intermodal workshop in Ottawa. Mr. Williams added that the most important finding at the workshop was that using the approach to tracking containers developed by the USDOT, an actual cost saving could be generated, something that previous studies had not been able to generate. He also noted that discussion of the "business case" was a common thread throughout the workshop.

CEN (Europe) Mr. Stoelhorst reported on TC278 whose current priorities are tolling, public transit, and e-Call; the names of TC278 reports are being changed to reflect "ITS" in the title as they come up for their 5-year review; report is posted on the TC204 website.

ISO/TC22 regrets; no report

ISO/IEC JTC1 no report

ETSI/TC-ITS (TG37) Mr. Bob Williams reported the transfer from TC37 is in progress

IEEE Mr. Kurihara submitted a written report; posted on TC204 website

TC204-211 no report; JTF204-211 brief report by Tom Lydel

Strategic Planning Report

Mr. Rick Weiland presented the Strategic Planning Committee report. He noted:

- Attendance at TC204 meetings continues at high level
- Meeting logistics requires better planning for rooms to save cost and host effort
- Liaisons with other groups has dropped off with a long list of inactive liaisons
- Reviews will be undertaken of CEN versus ISO; ITU representation is recommended

Secretariat Report

Mr. Tyler Messa reported that he is resigning from TIA effective January 15, 2009 and will take up new duties at ISO Central Secretariat where he will continue to oversee TC204 activities. TC204 members welcomed this prospect. He introduced his likely successor as Andy Dryden who was present to become acquainted with TC204 and its members.



Resolutions

Resolution 679: *ISO TC204 thanks the Canadian Delegation and in particular Bill Johnson and Standards Council of Canada and its shadow committee for ITS, for their excellent organization of a successful Plenary week, and excellent social arrangements.*

The complete list of resolutions approved by the Plenary in Ottawa are posted on the TC204 website (see 'Further Information' for URL).

Future Meetings

The schedule for the next ISO/TC 204 meetings is as follows:

- Asia-Pacific – May 11-15, 2009 – Chiang Mai, Thailand
- Europe – September 14-18, 2009 – Barcelona, Spain

Further Information

For further information, visit the TC204 secretariat website at www.tiaonline.org (public domain and password protected items), or the SCC Sitescape at www.scc.ca (password protected) or the ITS Canada website at www.itscanada.ca or contact the Head of Delegation for Canada:

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