

**INVITATION AND AGENDA**

**SLOVAKIAN WORKSHOP 2009: AN INTEGRATED APPROACH TO  
STANDARDIZATION MANAGEMENT**

**Bratislava on the 8/9<sup>th</sup> September 2009**

**Venue: MOD Headquarters Conference Room**

**INVITATION**

Nations are invited to participate in a 2 day event consisting of workshops focussing on standardization strategy, products, services, delivery and communication (from a national and international perspective).

There will be 4 separate workshops spread across the Tuesday and Wednesday and the event will be run under the umbrella of EDA.

The presentations will normally be of 5/10 minute duration and act as the catalyst for multi-national discussions.

Nations are encouraged to share information regarding their national standardization products, services and methods of operation as international collaboration is the prime aim of this event.

**Attendees**

Government and Industry representatives are welcome.

**David WILKINSON  
Workshop Chair**

## **AGENDA**

- (0830) 0.1 Welcome to Slovakia – by Slovakian Representative

*Administrative remarks and Introductions - Miroslav Marusin , Head Standardization Branch, DSCGQAA Slovakia*

- (0845) 0.2 Chairman's Introduction – *Dave Wilkinson, Head International Standardization, UK Defence Standardization*

- (0855) 0.3 Attendees' Brief Introductions - *Name, post title, organisation, nation*

### **1. Standardization Strategy and Operating Methods**

- (0915) 1.1 National stakeholder engagement at the strategic level

Presentation on Italy's Joint MOD/Industry/Civil Standards Organisation Committee – *Roberto Presaghi, General Secretariat of Defence, Italy*

*During the subsequent discussion: Attendees invited to input on any substantial differences in the way their nations operate*

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- (1000) 1.2 Standardization management strategy and representation

Presentation on the best practices identified from MSHT contributions – *Dave Wilkinson, Head International Standardization, UK Defence Standardization*

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- (1015) **Coffee Break**

- (1030) 1.3 EDA stakeholder engagement at the strategic level

Discussion on how the lessons learned in Italy and from the MSHT contributions could be reflected in a mirror European Committee – *led by Neil Pitts, Principal Officer for Armaments Co-operation, EDA*

*During the discussion: Attendees invited to comment on structure, representation and agenda (and EDA on how we could take this forward)*

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- (1115) 1.4 National Stakeholder engagement at the working level (with Industry)

Presentation on the outcomes of the EDA Study into Industry's role in the development and application of standards – *Neil Pitts, Principal Officer for Armaments Co-operation, EDA/Dr Claudia Urbanovsky, Consultant*

*During the subsequent discussion: Attendees invited to comment on any study proposals that could be adopted, studied further by their nation and/or discussed in the MSHT*

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**Lunch Break**

**2. Standardization Products and Services (with a European Focus)**

(1345) 2.1 Examining opportunities for resource sharing

Presentation on the benefits of dual-national standards – *Hans Kopold, Bundesamt Fur Wehrtechnik Und Beschaffung – T5.5, Germany*

Presentation about coordination of proposals for solving common problems in defence standardization – *Milos Lizner, Czech Republic*

*During the discussion: Attendees invited to input as to whether sharing resources would be supported nationally e.g. centralisation of standards development, training, helpdesk*

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(1430) 2.2 European Handbook for Defence Procurement (EHDP)

Presentation on the status of the EHDP – *Xavier Pain, CEN WS10 Chairperson*

Discussion on EHDP implementation – *led by Hans Kopold, Bundesamt Fur Wehrtechnik Und Beschaffung – T5.5, Germany*

*During the discussion: Attendees invited to input on how they will implement the EHDP and/or any perceived problems*

(1515) **Coffee Break**

(1530) 2.3 European Defence Standardization Information System (EDSIS)

Presentation on the status of EDSIS – *Neil Pitts, Principal Officer for Armaments Co-operation, EDA*

Discussion on the benefits of its development – *led by Neil Pitts, Principal Officer for Armaments Co-operation, EDA*

*During the discussion: Attendees invited to comment on the utilisation of EDSIS and the benefits to their nation*

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(1615) 2.4 Wash-up

Review of the day's proceedings - *Chairman*

*Nations to highlight discussions/presentations that were of most importance*

(1700) **End of First Day**

### **3. Products and Services Delivery**

#### (0900) 3.1 STANAGs and Standards

Presentation on UK STANAG ratification/implementation and their delivery to customers – *Stephen Lapsley, Head NATO Standardization, UK Defence Standardization*

Presentation on Belgian STANAG ratification/implementation process – *Johan Vanderzwalmen, Belgian Defence Staff*

Discussion on problems with accessing standardization documentation – *led by Elina Voutilainen, Finland*

*During the discussion: Attendees invited to input on problems associated with ratification, implementation and accessing of standardization documentation*

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#### (0945) 3.2 Advice and Guidance

Presentation on how standardization advice/guidance is provided to UK stakeholders – *Dave Wilkinson, Head International Standardization, UK Defence Standardization*

Presentation on how standardization advice/guidance is provided to AUT stakeholders – *Birgit Wollein, Austria*

*During the subsequent discussion: Attendees invited to input on the extent of advice/guidance requested and the problems associated with meeting the customers' requests*

#### (1030) **Coffee Break**

#### (1045) 3.3 Training

Presentation on Poland's standardization training agenda – *Grzegorz Sobol, Poland*

Presentation on lessons learned from CZE defence standardization course, effect to course participants – *Milos Lizner, Czech Republic*

*During the subsequent discussion: Attendees invited to present their views on what could be done to improve standardization training and any obvious gaps*

#### (1130) **Lunch Break**

### **4. Communication Strategy and Tools**

#### (1300) 4.1 Communications

Presentation on the Importance of Good Communications – *Roberto Presaghi, General Secretariat of Defence, Italy*

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(13.15) 4.2 Communicating on a National Level

Presentation on informing stakeholders of products, services and standardization developments - *Hans Kopold, Bundesamt Fur Wehrtechnik Und Beschaffung – T5.5, Germany*

*During the subsequent discussion: Attendees invited to provide input regarding additional communication tools which could be used to enhance communication*

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(13.45) 4.3 Communicating on an International Level

Presentation on the NATO Standardization Organisation (NSO) Communication Plan – *Darko Topler, NSA P&C Branch*

Presentation on the benefits of the European Journal, EDA Seminars and Workshops, MSHT/MSG Forums - *Neil Pitts, Principal Officer for Armaments Co-operation, EDA*

Discussion on the benefits of the European Journal, EDA Seminars and Workshops, MSHT/MSG Forums – led by *Neil Pitts, Principal Officer for Armaments Co-operation, EDA*

*During the discussion: Attendees invited to input on the most effective means of communicating the importance of standardization management and its impact on their nation*

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(1445) **Coffee Break**

(1500) 4.4 Wash-up

Review of the day's proceedings - *Chairman*

*Attendees to highlight discussions/presentations that were of most importance*

*Any "next steps"*

*Thank you to our hosts*

(1630) **Closure**