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Statement to the ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 27

This liaison statement from the Common Criteria Development Board (CCDB) provides a response to the ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 27/WG3 liaison statement to the CCDB from the meeting in Cyprus, 6th – 10th October 2008, ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 27 N 7228.



Progression of work on the revision of IS 15408 / IS 18045.

The CC and CEM will be updated shortly, and published as release 3 of version 3.1.

This release not only fixes a of number mistakes and editorial errors that have been identified in the CC and in the CEM v3.1 release 2, as already communicated to the SC 27/WG 3 but also includes an updated Part 1, fully aligned with the actual FDIS 15408-1 text.

The CCDB will provide the identification and suggested corrections of these editorial errors to the SC 27.



ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 27/WG 3 representatives may be aware of the recent NIAP announcement regarding a change to require the use of protection profiles in the US certification and procurement processes.

This, together with an associated change of US expectations of achievable assurance levels (with an intention to work with developers and the evaluation/standards community to eventually increase these), has been discussed in outline by the CCDB at its March meeting.



The CCDB has also supported the creation of a further workgroup examining 'Implementation Assurance' which will complement the existing workgroups.

Each workgroup is now considering the effects (if any) of the changes and the new working group. A meeting for some of these workgroups is planned for June 09.



The CCDB also discussed overall timescales for the development of CC Version 4 (which had been supplied in outline in an earlier statement). The CCDB agreed that it is vital that the proposed changes in version 4 be allowed sufficient time for development and testing and agreed to prioritise quality above speed in the development process.

The CCDB does however now have a project manager to facilitate and coordinate the work of each workgroup to ensure that this happens in the most effective manner. An overview project plan should be issued before the next CCDB meeting and, once agreed, can be supplied as part of the next liaison statement.



The CCDB thanks SC 27/WG 3 for their interest and collaboration in the ongoing development of CC version 4 and will ensure that their comments are all considered.



Legal metrology and the CC

The CCDB is interested in promoting the widest use of their security evaluation standards, and in particular, to support governmental and legal activities.

The CCDB is open to explore the security evaluation aspects of the ITC used for legal metrology, and would appreciate the SC 27/WG 3 collaboration in these matters through the usual liaison channel.



The 10th International Common Criteria Conference.

The International Common Criteria Conference achieves a significant milestone by celebrating its 10th anniversary this year in Tromsø, Norway, 22-24 September.

<http://10iccc.no/>

This conference has proven to be the major event to discuss the present and future of security assurance through evaluation, and the community and the standard mutually benefit from these discussions.



The call for papers for the conference is still open until May 31. SC 27/WG 3 experts are encouraged to attend the conference and to provide their view on the conference topics by submitting papers at http://10iccc.no/?page_id=13



Estimated DB meeting calendar

- September 2009, Norway



Suggestions?

**Thank you.
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