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## **Facts About International Organisation For Standardization (ISO)**

I know to some of us reading this article, the word Standard is not strange to us. For almost every products that are established, there are standards that are expected to be followed. Some of these standards are voluntary while some are mandatory. In this article, I want to talk about all that you need to know about International Organisation For Standardization (ISO). Follow me as we are going to look at this together in this article.

### **What does ISO do?**

ISO is an international Organisation of National Standard bodies which membership from 160 countries around the world. Their major role is to assist individual countries around the world to set standards for anything and everything that needed to be standardized. The body ,you should know have published over 23,000 standards since 1947. These standards are applied to products that are produced in different countries around the world.

### ***The Principles applied...***

#### **#1 Market Response**

Please note that ISO only develop standards for which market demand exists, as a response to formal requests from industry sectors or stakeholders. Typically, the requests for a standard is communicated to national members who will now

contact ISO with the request.

## #2 Global Expert Opinion

Also, ISO standards are developed by various Technical Committee setup for that purpose. This consist of expert in that field from all over the world. These experts will now negotiate all aspects of the standard, including its scope, key definitions and concepts as well.



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## #3 Multi-Stakeholder process

Please note that ISO standards are developed through Technical Committees that consist of [stakeholders from different fields](#). This committee can also consist of consumers association, academia, NGOs, Government officials and other critical stakeholders.

## #4 Based on Consensus

The development of ISO Standard is based on Consensus approach, and

comments from all stakeholders are taken into account. All ISO Country members, regardless of the size of the economy, are on the same footing in terms of their influence on standard development.

### **The ISO 22300 Family of Standards includes:**

- **ISO 22300** presents the basic concepts and vocabulary used in security and resilience standards.
- **ISO 22301** defines the requirements to implement, maintain and improve a business continuity management system (BCMS) with the aim of preparing, responding, and recovering from disruptive incidents.
- **ISO/IEC TS 17021-6** includes specific competence requirements for personnel involved in the certification [process for business continuity management.](#)
- **ISO 22313** provides guidance for applying the requirements of ISO 22301.
- **ISO 22316** provides guidance to enhance organisational resilience.
- **ISO/TS 22317** provides guidance for organisations to establish, implement and manage a formal documented Business Impact Analysis (BIA) process.
- **ISO 22320** provides guidance for incident management.
- **ISO 22322** provide guidance for developing, handling and implementing public warning before, during and after incidents.
- **ISO 22324:** provide guidance for use of colour codes to inform people at risk as well as first response personnel about danger.
- **ISO 22397:** Provide guidance for organisations to establish partnering arrangements among each other.
- **ISO 22397 :** Provide guidance for an organisation to plan, conduct and improve an exercise program.

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### **Action Point**

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I know you might agree with some of the points that I have raised in this article. You might not agree with some of the issues raised. Let me know your views about the topic discussed. We will appreciate it if you can drop your comment. Thanks in anticipation.

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