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SPRING SINGAPORE CALLS FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS ON SINGAPORE STANDARDS – 12 FEBRUARY 2016

Singapore Standards are established based on an open system which is also in accordance with the World Trade Organisation requirements. SPRING Singapore is inviting public comments for the following draft and new work items:

Management Systems and Services Standards

New

1. *Anti-bribery management systems (Identical adoption of the upcoming ISO 37001)

This standard specifies requirements and provides guidance for establishing, implementing, maintaining, reviewing and improving an anti-bribery management system. The system can be standalone or can be integrated into an overall management system. It is designed to help an organisation prevent, detect and address bribery and comply with anti-bribery laws and voluntary commitments applicable to its activities. It does not specifically address fraud, cartels and other anti-trust/competition offences, money-laundering or other activities related to corrupt practices (although an organisation may choose to extend the scope of the management system to include such activities).

The requirements in this standard are generic and are intended to be applicable to all organisations (or parts of an organisation), regardless of type, size and nature of activity, and whether in the public, private or not-for-profit sectors.

***NOTE:**

i. This standard is currently based on the Draft International Standards (DIS) but the final adoption will be based on the published ISO standard.

ii. Comments received for the DIS will be considered by the national committee responsible for the Singapore input to the ISO standards and where appropriate, taken on for international consideration during the final drafting phase. As the ISO ballot for ISO/DIS 37001 closes on 5 April 2016, comments to be considered for submission to ISO should reach us by 27 March 2016.

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Login to Singapore Standards eShop at:

<http://www.singaporestandardseshop.sg>

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The viewing period of the draft will expire on the closing of the 2-month public comments. It will no longer be available after this date.

The submission form for comments can be downloaded at:

http://www.spring.gov.sg/public_comments

Proposed new work items

(NOTE: No drafts available at this juncture)

2. Occupational health and safety management systems – Requirements with guidance for use (Identical adoption of the upcoming ISO 45001)

This standard specifies requirements for an occupational health and safety (OH&S) management system, with guidance for its use, to enable an organisation to provide safe and healthy working conditions for the prevention of work-related injury and ill health and to proactively improve its OH&S performance. This includes the development and implementation of an OH&S policy and objectives which take into account applicable legal requirements and other requirements to which the organisation subscribes.

This standard does not state specific criteria for OH&S performance, nor is it prescriptive about the design of an OH&S management system. This standard does not address issues such as product safety, property damage or environmental impacts, beyond the risk they provide to workers and other relevant interested parties.

This standard is applicable to any organisation regardless of its size, type and activities and applies to the OH&S risks under the organisation's control, taking into account factors such as the context in which the organisation operates and the needs and expectations of its workers and other interested parties. Potential users of the standard may include government bodies, regulators, OH&S professionals, professional engineers, academic institutions, labour organisations, consultants, testing laboratories and contractors.

The standard is intended to replace OHSAS 18001 and SS 506 Parts 1 and 2 on occupational safety and health (OSH) management systems.

3. Medical devices – Quality management systems – Requirements for regulatory purposes (Identical adoption of the upcoming ISO 13485)

This standard specifies requirements for a quality management system where an organisation needs to demonstrate its ability to provide medical devices and related services that consistently meet customer requirements and regulatory requirements applicable to medical devices and related services.

Potential users of the standard may include local medical device manufacturers, importers, wholesalers and certification bodies for auditing the organisation's ability to meet the requirements specified within in this standard.

4. Guidelines for management consultancy services (Identical adoption of the upcoming ISO 20700)

This standard provides guidelines for the effective delivery of management consultancy services. It provides guidance and does not seek to impose or interfere with any contractual obligations or intellectual property rights. It does not require or imply a need for certification and it is not intended or designed to be used as the basis for any personal or organisational qualification or certification. It is intended to complement TR 43 : 2015 "Technical Reference for Management Consultants". This standard applies to all management consultancy service providers, whatever their size or specialism.

The closing date for comments is **13 April 2016** for the new Singapore Standard and **13 March 2016** for the new work items.

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Frequently asked questions about public comment on Singapore Standards:

1. What is public comment?

Singapore Standards are established based on an open system which is also in accordance with the World Trade Organisation requirements. These documents are issued as part of a consultation process before any standards are introduced or reviewed. This important stage in the development of Singapore Standards is the Public Comment period. This mechanism helps industry, companies and other stakeholders be aware of forthcoming changes to Singapore Standards and provide them with an opportunity to influence, before their publication, the standards that have been developed by their industry and for their industry.

2. How does public comment benefit me?

The benefits are:

- It ensures that your views are considered and gives you the opportunity to influence the content of the standards in your area of expertise and in your industry;
- It enables you to be familiar with the content of the standards before they are published and you stand to gain a competitive advantage with this prior knowledge of the standards.

3. Why do I have to pay for the standards which are proposed for review or withdrawal?

These standards are available for **free viewing** at Toppan Leefung Pte Ltd and the National Library Board at the addresses given above. However, the normal price of the standard will be charged for those who wish to purchase a copy. At the stage where we propose to review or withdraw the standards, the standards are still current and in use. We seek comments for these standards so as to:

- provide an opportunity for the industry to provide inputs for the review of the standard that would make the standard suitable for the industry's use,
- provide feedback on the continued need for the standard so that it will not be withdrawn,

4. What happens after I have submitted my comments?

The comments will be channelled to the relevant standards committee for consideration and you will be informed of the outcome of the committee's decision and you may be invited to meet the committee if clarification is required on your feedback.

5. Can I view drafts after the public comment period?

Drafts will not be available after the public comment period.

6. How do I request for a new standard?

You can inform us of your standardisation needs by completing the Proposal Form at [Apply for a Standard](#).