



IWA N 02

First Draft Agenda ISO International Workshop on Standardization for Emergency Preparedness

Dates: 24-26 April 2006

Location: [Villa La Pietra International Conference Center](#) of New York University
Florence, Italy

Hosts: The American National Standards Institute ([ANSI](#)) and the New York University (NYU) International Center for Enterprise Preparedness ([InterCEP](#))

Purpose: No International Organization for Standardization (ISO) international standard currently exists for emergency preparedness. Yet, recent large-scale disasters ranging from tsunamis and hurricanes to earthquakes and terrorism underscore the importance of consensus guidance and international coordination in emergency readiness, response, and recovery efforts. The purpose of the meeting will be to reach an International Workshop Agreement (IWA), to be published by ISO, for emergency preparedness and operational continuity.

Process: Given the urgency of the need and the significant time frame necessary to develop a new standard, the forum will focus on existing consensus-based national standards and guidance in the area of emergency management. Participating organizations are invited to submit these existing standards for consideration in advance of the workshop (send to mdeane@ansi.org). These standards will be provided to all pre-registered participants for review and comment prior to the meeting.

Deadline: To allow sufficient review time in advance of the meeting, the deadline for submission of standards is **15 February 2006**. At the meeting, activity will focus on the evaluation of submitted standards and their applicability for the International Workshop Agreement. Only standards submitted by the deadline above will be considered at the workshop.

Agenda:

April 24, 2006

1. **Opening Remarks**
2. **Introduction of participants**
3. **Workshop scope and goals**
4. **Background on ISO and the IWA deliverable**
5. **Presentations on Submitted Standards**



- Presentation on each standard by submitter, followed by Q&A period
6. **General Discussion on Presented Standards and Review of Comment Contributions Submitted Prior to the Meeting**
 7. **Begin Discussion on IWA Framework Document and Incorporating National Standards**
 - A framework document proving the structure of the IWA will be circulated for review and comment in advance of the meeting. The purpose of this document will be to provide structure for the discussions on drafting the IWA.

April 25, 2006

1. **Continued Discussion on IWA Framework Document and Drafting IWA**

April 26, 2006

1. **Conclude Discussion on Drafting IWA**
2. **Establishment of Task Groups (if necessary)**
3. **Discussion on Component or Related Standardization Needs**
4. **Action Items and Next Steps**
5. **Adjournment**

Note: Following the ISO workshop, NYU will be holding a “Private Sector Preparedness Summit.” This is a separate event from the ISO IWA. The theme of the summit will be the international sharing of business preparedness strategies, best practices, trends and evolving threats in an informal roundtable environment. If interested in participating, please contact Bill Raisch (intercep@nyu.edu) for further details.