Benefits of IEC AFSEC cooperation agreement

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IEC Regional partners

- IEC is made of 81 National Committees, but regional cooperation can provide valid means to achieving goals through sharing resources
- IEC also signed cooperation agreements
  - Americas: CANENA, COPANT, MERCOSUR
  - Europe: CENELEC, ETSI
  - EASC, PASC

IEC AFSEC Cooperation agreement

- IEC is a special partner
- Signed during 73rd IEC General Meeting
  - Claude Koufous/ Ronnie Amit
- Cross representation
- Exchange of technical information in electrotechnical standardization
- Promote communication and use of IEC International Standards on national and regional levels
- Increase involvement of African experts in IEC technical work
Cross representation

- AFSEC General Assembly and IEC General Meeting (management meetings)
- AFSEC encourages fully representative national electrotechnical committees
- AFSEC experts in IEC mirror technical committees

IEC shares information with AFSEC

- AFSEC Executive Secretary is given access to share information with AFSEC members
  - IEC directory and catalogue
  - Databases
  - Website
- Limited access for AFSEC Executive Secretary and President:
  - IEC Council documents
  - IEC Standardization Management Board (SMB): documents available to NCs
  - IEC Conformity Assessment Board (CAB): document available to NCs

AFSEC shares information with IEC

- Directory of AFSEC members
- AFSEC standardization procedures
- Technical committee reports
- Meeting minutes of technical committees
- Minutes of AFSEC Council meetings
- Minutes of AFSEC Management Committee meetings.
Towards a fruitful cooperation

- Between IEC TCs and AFSEC mirror committees
- AFSEC to inform IEC on harmonization activities
- Joint activity programmes in the future
  - Capacity building for AFSEC mirror TCs
- Collaboration tools

IEC Collaboration Tools

- To facilitate
  - standards development process
  - exchange of information
  - exchange of documents
- Between
  - project team
  - maintenance team and
  - working group members

Video: http://etraining.iec.ch/ict-demos.html
A privileged zone for AFSEC members

- Connect with other experts and share regional standardization work on an easy on-line tool
- Login and access rights will be managed by AFSEC Secretariat
- Features
  - distribution of documents
  - discussion forum
  - tasks

Go to AFSEC zone

Go to http://collaboration.iec.ch/ and log-in

Create Mirror committee areas

- E.g. AFSEC TC1 / IEC TC 1 on Terminology
- AFSEC TC1 subcommittees and working groups
- Allocate AFSEC members to AFSEC TC1 with logins
- Share documents
Documents and tasks

- Share documents
- Work and comment on documents
- Notify members on comments
- Meeting minutes and agenda
- Assign a task to AFSEC member
- Assign a project AFSEC member

Through AFSEC
Get more involved with the IEC

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