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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (MS ISO 14050:2002), which has been technically revised to include new and updated documents.

For the purposes of this standard the following change should be made:

the words 'International Standard' should be replaced by 'Mauritian Standard'.

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Foreword

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International Standards are drafted in accordance with the rules given in the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

The main task of technical committees is to prepare International Standards. Draft International Standards adopted by the technical committees are circulated to the member bodies for voting. Publication as an International Standard requires approval by at least 75 % of the member bodies casting a vote.

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ISO 14050 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 207, *Environmental management*.

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 14050:2002), which has been technically revised to include new and updated ISO/TC 207 documents.

Introduction

This International Standard contains concepts and their definitions as used in the ISO 14000 series of International Standards related to environmental management.

Communication is important in the implementation and operation of environmental management systems. This communication will be most effective if there is a common understanding of the terms used.

Many environmental terms and definitions are the result of recently developed concepts. The gradual evolution of these environmental concepts inevitably means that environmental terminology will continue to develop. The purpose of this International Standard is to convey an understanding of the terms used in the ISO 14000 series of International Standards.

This International Standard is intended above all to provide standards users with a compilation of the terms and definitions in use in the field of environmental management. It is expected, however, that the document will also be of use to standards developers, particularly those involved with translation, as an aid to maintaining consistency.

The terms and definitions in this International Standard are derived from the International Standards on environmental management given in the Bibliography.

Because of the ongoing work on the development of environmental management standards within ISO/TC 207, and in cooperation with ISO/TC 176, including the publication of additional and revised International Standards, this International Standard will be reviewed and, as appropriate, revised or amended.

Other concepts which may be encountered in the environmental management field are not defined in this International Standard. However, to aid users of the ISO 14000 series of International Standards on environmental management, some of these additional concepts are included with bibliographic references in Annex A.

Users should be aware that the application and description of these concepts vary throughout the international environmental community. Their presence in Annex A is not intended to promote or endorse the use of these concepts.

Environmental management — Vocabulary

Management environnemental — Vocabulaire

Менеджмент окружающей среды — Словарь

1 Scope

This International Standard defines terms of fundamental concepts related to environmental management, published in the ISO 14000 series of International Standards.

NOTE 1 In addition to terms used in the three official ISO languages (English, French and Russian), this document gives the equivalent terms in Spanish, Arabic, German, Finnish, Italian, Dutch, Norwegian, Portuguese and Swedish. The terms in Spanish are published under the responsibility of the ISO/TC 207 Spanish Translation Task Force (STTF); the terms in Arabic are published under the responsibility of the ISO/TC 207 Arabic Translation Task Force (ATTF); the other terms are published under the responsibility of the member bodies for Germany (DIN), Finland (SFS), Italy (UNI), Netherlands (NEN), Norway (SN), Portugal (IPQ) and Sweden (SIS). The equivalent terms are given for information only. Only the terms and definitions given in the official languages can be considered as ISO terms and definitions.

1 Domaine d'application

La présente Norme internationale donne les définitions de notions fondamentales, en rapport direct avec le management environnemental, publiées dans la série de l'ISO 14000 relatives au management environnemental.

NOTE 1 En plus des termes utilisés dans les trois langues officielles de l'ISO (anglais, français et russe), la présente Norme internationale donne les termes équivalents en espagnol, arabe, allemand, finnois, italien, néerlandais, norvégien, portugais et suédois. Les termes espagnols sont publiés sous la responsabilité de l'ISO/TC 207, le groupe de traduction espagnole (STTF); les termes arabes sont publiés sous la responsabilité de l'ISO/TC 207, le groupe de traduction arabe (ATTF); les autres termes sont publiés sous la responsabilité des comités membres de l'Allemagne (DIN), de la Finlande (SFS), de l'Italie (UNI), des Pays-Bas (NEN), de la Norvège (SN), du Portugal (IPQ) et de la Suède (SIS). Les termes équivalents sont donnés uniquement à titre informatif. Seuls les termes et définitions donnés dans les langues officielles peuvent être considérés comme termes et définitions ISO.

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