

Annual Report of an ANSI/OEOSC TAG to ISO TC172 Subcommittee Covering the Year 2015

TAG Subcommittee Number and Name:

ISO TC 172 / SC4 – Telescopic Systems

TAG Subcommittee Leader:

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ISO Meetings Held During 2015

Subcommittee meetings usually include break-out meetings of working groups and project groups. List the top-level meeting; do not list the break-out meetings.

Subcommittee, Working, or Project Group Meeting Name	Date(s)	Location
ISO TC 172 / SC4	April 15-17, 2015	St. Petersburg, Russia

ISO Meetings Scheduled for 2016

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Subcommittee, Working, or Project Group Meeting Name	Date(s)	Location
ISO TC 172 / SC4	June 2016 (To Be Resolved)	St. Petersburg, Russia (TBR)

Significant Accomplishments in 2015

ISO Subcommittee

The US has successfully reestablished itself in the rebuilt SC4. Work has proceeded on a number of standards including some publications. We have supported other member bodies closely and are welcome on the committee.

US TAG Subcommittee

The US has not taken leadership of any projects but are welcome at the meetings. Our input has been valuable, both technical and as the only native English-speaking country active in SC4. We have a small team and running projects would be difficult for the moment.

Significant Problems Encountered in 2015

ISO Subcommittee

None noted. This group is very cooperative and has been effective at solving problems.

US TAG Subcommittee

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Projections for 2016

ISO Subcommittee

No challenges and we will continue to support efforts as much as possible. On the contrary, there was a refreshing attempt to look at the most practical use and definitions for these product standards. The US believes this approach is very good and will lead to improved consumer benefits. One good example is the idea for a new definition of “practical eye relief” proposed to supplement current optical design eye relief definition.

TAG Subcommittee

1. We will continue to build US relationships to international members in SC4. The annual face-to-face meeting remains essential.
2. Provide appropriate technical support for the standards development, which may include writing and initiation effort if welcomed at this point. It is early for the current group who does not know the international participants to expect such integration this year.
3. We will continue work to increase membership and participation in this area. There are a number of commercial interests in the US that should start taking part in it. We chose not to attend the SHOT show that occurs in January this year but may attend next year to increase interest. We must work to prove to other US experts that these standards hold importance for the future.