



2nd Symposium on ICAO-Standard MRTDs, Biometrics and Security

ICAO/ISO PARTNERSHIP

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International
Organization for
Standardization



- ✱ A network of national standards institutes of 157 countries
- ✱ Non-governmental organization
- ✱ Central Secretariat in Geneva (CHE)
- ✱ Members:
 - Not delegations from national governments
 - Come from government institutions and the private sector .. creating a consensus

Initial Focus of ICAO and ISO

Prior to 1990

- ✱ Each organization published its own Standard for a **Machine Readable Passport (MRP)**

- ✱ ICAO Published:

 - ICAO Doc 9303

- ✱ ISO Published:

 - ISO 7501-1

ICAO / ISO Partnership Takes Shape

ISO agreed that a single Standard was required

- ✱ In 1988 ISO formed an AD HOC COMMITTEE to determine how best to work with ICAO to create a single International Standard for MRTDs
- ✱ During 1989 a collaborative working arrangement was established between the two Organizations

ICAO / ISO Partnership Formed

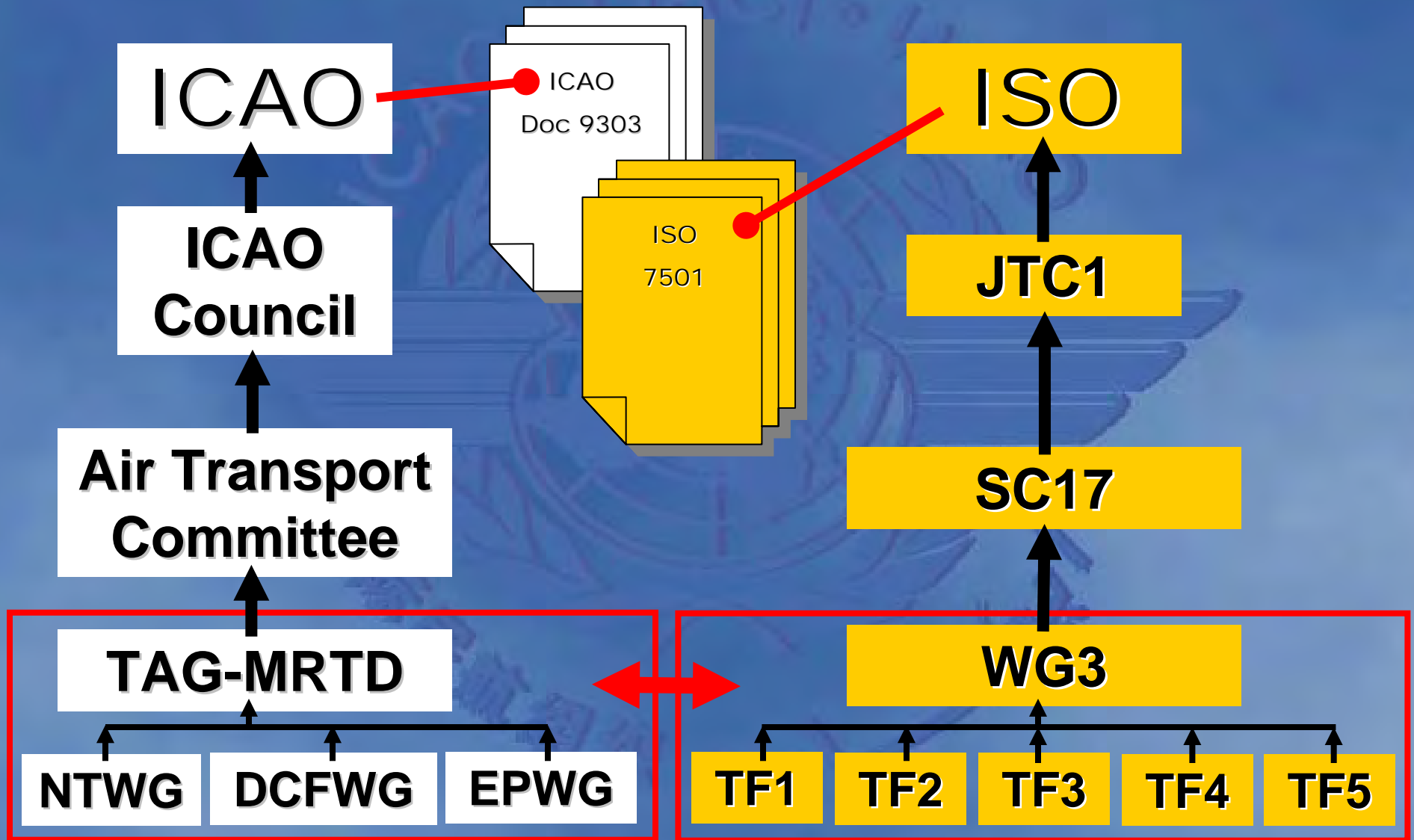
ICAO / ISO agreed collaboration formula

✱ In 1989, Subcommittee 17 (SC17) of JTC1 of ISO agreed to the partnership formula:

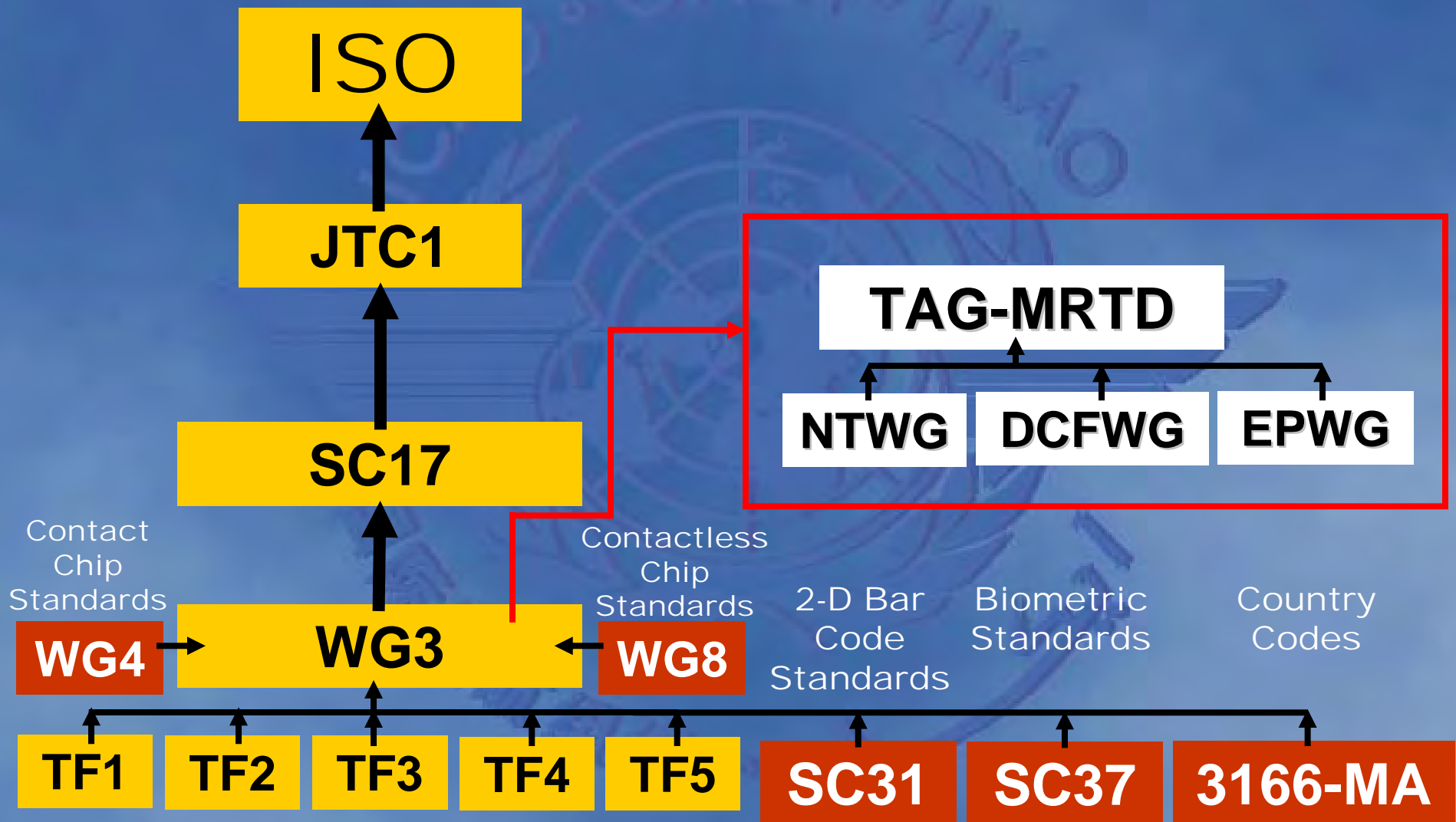
- ICAO develops and agrees specifications for MRTDs ... supported by ISO participation
- ISO endorses the ICAO specifications as the International Standard

ISO will commence Fast-Track Balloting of Sixth Edition of Part 1 of ICAO Doc 9303 in October '06

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ICAO and ISO Partnership

Over the past 17 years

- ✱ ICAO and ISO have established and operated an effective partnership
- ✱ It has derived its effectiveness from:
 - the authority and leadership of ICAO;
 - the technical and standards setting competencies of ISO; and
 - the skills and dedication of the people contributing to both Organizations.



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