



**TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP ON MACHINE READABLE  
TRAVEL DOCUMENTS (TAG-MRTD)**

**NINETEENTH MEETING**

**Montréal, 7 to 9 December 2009**

**Agenda Item 2: Activities of the NTWG**

**Agenda Item 2.5: Integrating Supplement Information into Doc 9303**

**INTEGRATING SUPPLEMENT INFORMATION INTO DOC 9303**

(Presented by the New Technologies Working Group (NTWG))

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 In its fifteenth meeting in May 2004, the TAG/MRTD endorsed the Technical Reports on the Logical Data Structure (LDS) and PKI for Machine Readable Travel Documents (PKI).

1.2 These Technical Reports have been incorporated into the sixth edition of Doc 9303 Part 1, Volume 2 (2006), as well as the third edition of Doc 9303 Part 3, Volume 2 (2008).

1.3 Issues, arising from implementation practices that come within the scope of Doc 9303, are being addressed in the "Supplement--9303". The purpose of this Supplement is to provide guidance, advice, update, clarification and amplification as a "bridge" between the formal drafting of Standards and Technical Reports and the needs of the Travel Document community to have timely and official direction to rely on. The Supplement is being published on a regular base. Seven releases have been published so far.

1.4 Due to its popularity and the many issues that have been addressed in the Supplement, the Supplement has become a large document, containing many clarifications on issues referencing to various parts of Doc 9303. The issues addressed concern Doc 9303 Part1, Part 2, and Part 3.

1.5 The Supplement now is of such large size that reading and interpreting the Doc 9303 specifications has become unpractical. For each subject both Doc 9303 and the Supplement need to be consulted.

## 2. **INTEGRATING SUPPLEMENT INFORMATION INTO DOC 9303**

2.1 As a new work item is being proposed to analyse all Supplement issues and make recommendations on incorporation into a new edition of Doc 9303.

2.2 The analysis will result in a “Supplement clean-up Report” to be presented to the TAG-MRTD.

2.3 The recommendations in the report may lead to the drafting and publication of:

- a) Doc 9303 Part 1 - seventh edition (sixth edition is dated 2006);
- b) Doc 9303 Part 2 - fourth edition (third edition is dated 2005);
- c) Doc 9303 Part 3 - fourth edition (third edition is dated 2008).

2.4 Publication of revised editions of all three parts of Doc 9303 at the same time will eliminate the confusing differences (especially in Volume 2), that consist presently as a consequence of the different publication dates.

2.5 The initial work on the analysis will be carried out within the Task Forces 1 and 2 of ISO/IEC JTC1 SC17 WG3.

2.6 The “Supplement clean-up Report” is planned to be presented to the TAG/MRTD for approval in its twentieth meeting. At that time, timelines will be proposed for carrying out 9303 revisions, as and if needed. To achieve this, review cycles will be carried out on drafts by the NTWG.

## 3. **ACTION BY THE TAG/MRTD**

3.1 The TAG/MRTD is invited to:

- a) confirm the new work item concerning the Supplement clean-up activity;
- b) consider, as a result of this activity, the publication of new (revised) editions of all three parts of Doc 9303 at the same time.

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