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Guide 71 update Summary from Sydney JTAG (Jan 14-17, 2013)

Decisions

- The guideline will be shortened and made more comprehensible.
- User needs will be incorporated.
- Table from 8.2 will be used to structure and determine if content belongs to Guide 71.
- Safety to be touch on as example, but not a specific topic in the Guide.
- Children are covered implicitly.

Changes discussed during JTAG

The latest complete draft is still JTAG N133. Please see [SWG-A N530](#).

An introduction (clause 0) will explain why the name is changed--making it clear that accessibility is not only for people with disabilities or the elderly. Effect of aging and children-related issues will be discussed briefly. The new approach is expected to make the guide more inclusive.

Scope (clause 1) will be completely redrafted. Scope will describe what will not go into Guide 71. Most notably that it will state that not all information that standard developers would need to incorporate accessibility into standards will be in the Guide—acknowledge that trying to be all encompassing would be impossible and make the guide unmanageably long. Audience will need to consult other reference material and figure out what is needed for their own standards.

There is no major change in references (clause 2) and terms and definitions (clause 3) discussed at this meeting.

[What is] Accessibility (clause 4) and increasing importance of accessibility (clause 5) are shortened and will likely be combined. Much of the details are moved to Annex and will be reconsidered for importance.

Principles (clause 6) will include explanation of how to use the principles. Trade-off between principles will be added. The categories will be removed.

Using guide 71 (clause 7) will be drafted to focus on identifying and applying user accessibility needs, using the ICF browser and research other useful references.

Developing standards — Issues to consider in support of accessibility in the standards development process (clause 8) will become outline of guide 71 content. 8.1 will be shortened. 8.2 will be changed to outline recommendations on how to incorporate accessibility into standards. 8.3 will be removed. The clause will be moved to be an earlier part of the guide. New content may be developed based on the recommendation of clause 8.

Alternate formats on interaction (clause 9) will become design strategy and alternate format will be one of the design strategies.

Clause 9, 10, and 11 will be shortened. Clause 10 and 11 will be merged. ICF numbers may or may not be used. Low vision or other types of disabilities will not be treated separately.

Annex is very much subjected to changes. There is no definitive decision made yet.

Next draft is expected in early April.

Next JTAG F2F in April 29 to May 2 in Geneva.

The next one is scheduled in September.