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Dear SWG-Accessibility participants,

The original intent of SWG-Accessibility was to revise the User Needs Summary taking into consideration the revised ISO/IEC Guide 71, and would like to remind SWG-Accessibility of the resolution 23 taken by JTC1 at its Plenary meeting in San Diego (2011):

“Transition of the User Needs Summary (ISO/IEC TR 29138 Part 1) and Guidance on User Needs Mapping (ISO/IEC TR 29138 Part 3) will use the Publication Process for Type B documents with the addition of the request for withdrawal of the parts of the TR as they are replaced and request for pointers from the ISO and IEC web stores to the new publications. The transition of the User Needs Summary is currently at procedure step b (see below).”

b) Drafting within the SWG

Having reviewed the Ad Hoc 18 report and documents and the US contribution in SWG-A N 572, the French national body supports the US proposal and agrees on the following arguments:

- The US proposal keeps the current structure of the User Needs Summary . This structure closely follows that of ISO/IEC 40500:2012 (WCAG 2.0), already familiar and widely used around the world, thus must be respected.
- While leaving the current structure intact, the draft incorporates revisions taking into consideration the revised ISO/IEC Guide 71 – thus meets the mandate of the revision.
- As the “least disruptive path” to the intended audience and to SWG-A members, the revision can, we believe, be achieved more quickly than the alternative proposed by AHG 18, thus meeting the goal promised to JTC 1 without undue delay.

Best regards,

- josée auber