ISO/IEC/ITU commom patent policy

At its meeting in March 2006, Council approved a common patent policy between ISO, IEC and ITU and requested that this be supplemented by common implementation guidelines and a common patent statement and licensing declaration form. These latter elements were approved by the Technical Management Board and the equivalent bodies in IEC and ITU in February 2007.

Below are the documents related to this agreement

- ISO/IEC/ITU Common Patent policy
- Guidelines for Implementation of the Common Patent Policy for ITU-T/ITU-R/ISO/IEC (Also available from ISOTC server)
- Patent Statement and Licensing Declaration of ITU-T/ITU-R Recommendation | ISO/IEC Deliverable (Available in Word and PDF format)
- ISO patents database
- Press release: IEC, ISO and ITU, the world's leading developers of International Standards, agree on common patent policy

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