The IEC and consortia: a win-win partnership
Benefits of partnering with the IEC

**A world of experts**
We can connect you to a national and global community of tens of thousands of leading technology experts. Together we can manage the rapid pace of digital, technology, market and societal changes.

**Inclusive participation**
The IEC is transparent and consensus driven, and our standards are globally accepted as “best practice”.

**Gain recognition**
As your specifications mature into IEC International Standards, you will gain access to expert committees and benefit from the international reputation of the IEC.

**Testing and certification**
The IEC is the only organization that offers a globally standardized approach to conformity assessment.

**Ensure worldwide adoption of your specifications**
Use the IEC neutral and independent platform as a tool to develop your specifications into an international standard that will enjoy global market adoption.
Enhance your reputation
Benefit from the recognized IEC leadership in standardization and conformity assessment in all fields of electrotechnology.

Access global markets
Once your inputs become part of IEC deliverables, you can gain fast track access to global markets.

An independent voice
Leverage the neutrality of the IEC to mitigate the influence of dominant technology players in your field.

A two-way relationship
IEC and consortia experts share insights to stay ahead of trends and anticipate future market developments. There are different ways of working or liaising with the IEC. Liaisons always operate in both directions, with suitable reciprocal arrangements.

Some organizations collaborate actively in working groups, maintenance teams or project teams. Others prefer to just gain access to reports on IEC technical work.

Focus on what you do best
When you work with the IEC, forget all the hassle of setting up rules, voting processes and membership charters, because everything is already in place, ready to use.

Help your bottom line
Benefit from the world’s most cost-effective platform for developing international standards. Gain access to first-class editors and global publication services.
In short

The IEC contributes its neutral global and independent platform which allows stakeholders to work together to reach international consensus in line with world trade requirements. IEC members provide their management expertise and nominate experts to participate in standards work to represent the national needs of every member country. Consortia contribute their technical and business expertise. Together this partnership helps ensure that standards meet real world requirements for practical use.

Want to know more? Please contact the IEC consortia facilitator: consortia@iec.ch
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The IEC in brief

Key figures

172
members and affiliates

>200
technical committees

20 000
experts from industry, test and research labs, government, academia and consumer groups

>10 000
international standards published

4
global conformity assessment systems

>1 million
conformity assessment certificates issued

>100
years of expertise

A global network of 172 countries that covers 99% of world population and electricity generation

Offers an affiliate country programme to encourage developing countries to get involved in the IEC free of charge

Develops international standards and runs four conformity assessment systems to verify that electronic and electrical products work safely and as they are intended to

IEC International Standards represent a global consensus of state-of-the-art know-how and expertise

A not-for-profit organization enabling global trade and universal electricity access
Further information

For further information, please visit the IEC website at www.iec.ch. In the “Who we are” section, you can contact your local IEC National Committee directly. Alternatively, please contact the IEC Central Office in Geneva, Switzerland or the nearest IEC Regional Centre.

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