

IEEE-SA Standards Board Draft Sharing Ad-Hoc

Update to IEEE 802 EC

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Background and Update

- Background
 - Created by SASB out of August series
 - Charter
 - Review the IEEE-SA procedures and suggest appropriate changes, if needed, to clarify how to address sharing draft standards between entity-based WG and individual-based WG
 - Example
 - Liaison request from an individual group interested in the work of an entity group for a copy of the draft standard in development
 - Scope
 - Charter for *draft* and not published/completed standards
 - Mechanisms for joint work exist. E.g. JSA, joint balloting
- Progress since last update
 - Developed FAQ based on consensus principles which were reviewed by SASB in December
 - FAQ approved by IEEE-SASB and ad-hoc work complete

SASB Action from March Series

- IEEE-SA Standards Board agenda item and motion for March 2013 SASB
 - 9.1 Information Exchange (Draft Sharing) Ad Hoc Report
 - Wael Diab, Information Exchange (Draft Sharing) Ad Hoc Chair, reported.
 - There was a motion:
 - Approve FAQ Format B with editorial license to staff.
 - The motion was approved.
 - *AI – Mary Lynne Nielsen to editorially update the presented FAQ.*
- Location:
<http://standards.ieee.org/faqs/index.html>

Sharing of Drafts by IEEE Standards Working Groups

- ***Can I share IEEE standards drafts within my IEEE standards working group?***

Yes. Sharing of IEEE standards drafts within a particular IEEE standards project may be done. See *IEEE SA Standards Board Operations Manual*, section 6.1.3.1, “Draft copyright statements.” {LINK}

- ***Can I share IEEE standards drafts between different IEEE standards working groups?***

Sharing of IEEE standards drafts between different IEEE standards working groups is desirable. You can initiate a request via a Joint Sponsorship Agreement {LINK} (for joint sponsorship) or a communication (e.g., by a liaison) between both working groups. Contact the IEEE Standards Department at stds-ipr@ieee.org for further information.

- ***What are some of the issues that might arise sharing a draft standard between working groups?***

Issues related to sharing IEEE standards drafts between IEEE standards working groups need to be addressed by the IEEE standards working group that is developing the draft, including:

- Level of maturity of the draft standard
- Mutual understanding on access and redistribution e.g., draft placed behind a password protection and availability
- Recommendation on whether to make it available free of charge or not

The judgment on these issues rests with the working group that is developing the draft in consultation with IEEE-SA staff.

- ***Is there a price associated with sharing an IEEE draft standard?***

Sharing of drafts within the particular IEEE standards project that is developing the draft may be done without charge. Any other pricing related to sharing IEEE draft standards is determined by IEEE-SA staff {LINK to ipr email address as given above} in consultation with the working group that is developing the draft.

Additional Mechanisms for Cooperation

- This effort was focused on draft sharing
- While unrelated, there are additional methods of cooperation between groups that have been developed over the past year
 - Joint sponsorship: Joint Sponsorship and associated agreement (JSA) developed last year
 - Parallel balloting between entity and individual methods (e.g. P1904.1 and 802.3): ProCom ad-hoc concluded and changes undergoing SASB letter ballot



REFERENCE MATERIAL: REPORT TO IEEE SASB 0313

Ad-Hoc Members

Thanks to the ad-hoc members for their effort and participation

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Calls: 1=attended first 2=attended second 3=attended third 4=attended fourth *=added by SASB chair after 1st call

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 - Example
 - Liaison request from an individual group interested in the work of an entity group for a copy of the draft standard in development
- Progress
 - Held 4 teleconferences
 - One since December series
 - Developed consensus principles which were reviewed by SASB in December
 - Presented to IEEE-SA CAG and IEEE-SA BOG at Nov / Dec meeting series
 - Agreed to capture the consensus ideas as a FAQ in SASB area
 - Developed FAQ
 - Consensus to start with a FAQ for now. Revisit if P&P changes needed
- “Scope”
 - Charter for *draft* and not published/completed standards
 - Mechanisms for joint work exist. E.g. JSA, joint balloting

Proposed FAQ Location and Title

- Ad-hoc consensus on FAQ text and location below
- Location:
<http://standards.ieee.org/faqs/index.html>
- Proposed FAQ title: “Sharing of drafts”
- Since we are in editing mode...two proposed formats for your consideration
 - Note we are approving content

Proposed FAQ Format A

- FAQ question
 - “How can I share a draft between two working groups?”
- FAQ Response
 - Sharing of drafts within a particular IEEE standards project may be done without charge see IEEE SASB Operations Manual section 6.1.3.1 “Draft copyright statements”.
 - Sharing of drafts between WGs is desirable. The following guidance is recommended when considering sharing of drafts between WGs
 - Request initiated via a JSA (for joint sponsorship) or a communication (e.g. liaison) between both WGs
 - Issues related to sharing need to be addressed by the WG that is developing the draft
 - Level of maturity
 - Mutual understanding on access and redistribution e.g. draft placed behind a password protection and availability
 - Recommendation on whether to make it available free of charge or not
 - The judgment on the above rests with the WG that is developing the draft in consultation with IEEE-SA staff
 - Any pricing of the draft is determined by IEEE-SA staff in consultation with the WG that is developing the draft

Proposed FAQ Format B

- Question 1
 - “Can I share drafts within my IEEE standards working group?”
Sharing of drafts within a particular IEEE standards project may be done without charge. See IEEE SASB Operations Manual section 6.1.3.1 “Draft copyright statements”.
- Question 2
 - What about sharing IEEE standards drafts between different IEEE standards working groups?
Sharing of drafts between WGs is desirable. Request initiated via a JSA (for joint sponsorship) or a communication (e.g. liaison) between both WGs
- Question 3
 - What if the review of the standards draft identifies any issues?
Issues related to sharing need to be addressed by the WG that is developing the draft
 - Level of maturity
 - Mutual understanding on access and redistribution e.g. draft placed behind a password protection and availability
 - Recommendation on whether to make it available free of charge or notThe judgment on the above rests with the WG that is developing the draft in consultation with IEEE-SA staff
- Question 4
 - Is there a price associated with getting an IEEE draft standard?
Any pricing of the draft is determined by IEEE-SA staff in consultation with the WG that is developing the draft

Proposed Next Steps

- Report progress to SASB at Mar meeting
 - Approval of FAQ by SASB
 - Discussion if more (e.g. P&P) is needed or revisit if needed after FAQ in place
- Based on above
 - Request to disband (if we are done) or re-charter ad-hoc (if more needed)



BACKUP

Consensus Principles

- No objection to sharing a draft
- Issues related to sharing need to be addressed
 - Recommendation on whether to make it available free of charge or not
 - Level of maturity
 - Mutual understanding on access and redistribution e.g. draft placed behind a password protection and availability
- The judgment on the above rests with the WG (e.g. level of maturity, recommendation on whether or not to charge etc.) in consultation with staff
- Request initiated via a JSA (for joint sponsorship) or a communication (e.g. liaison) between both WGs

Informational Ref Sec 6.1.3.1

- An IEEE draft standard may be distributed without charge to the participants for that IEEE standards development project. Other persons seeking permission to reproduce the document, in whole or in part, must obtain permission from the [IEEE Standards Activities Department](#).



Thank You!