

# Progress of International Standardization Activities at ISO/TC 269

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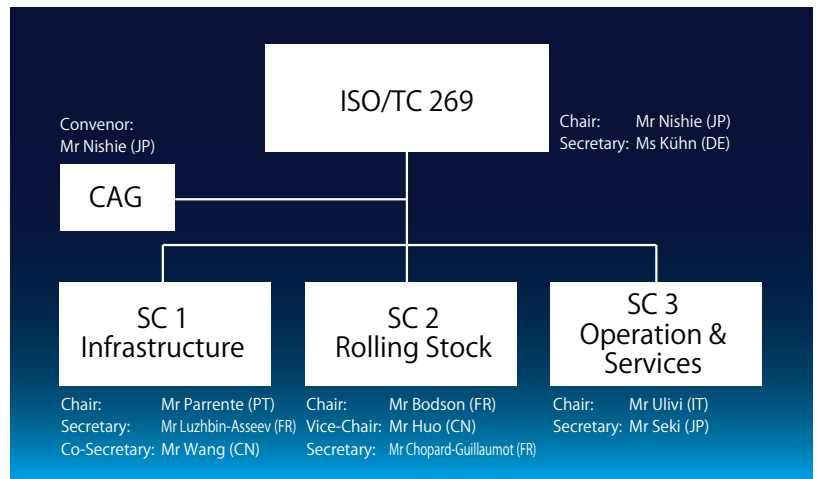
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International Standardization Organization (ISO) established a Technical Committee for Railway Applications (ISO/TC 269) in 2012, and I was nominated by the German Secretary of ISO/TC 269 and approved by the Technical Management Board (TMB) of ISO to serve as the first Chair. Though my first term as Chair was due to be completed at the end of 2017, during this spring TMB approved the extension of it to the end of 2020.

21 participating countries and 12 observing countries have joined ISO/TC 269 as of July 2017. ISO/TC 269 consists of three Subcommittees (SCs) established last year: SC 1 Infrastructure, SC 2 Rolling stock and SC 3 Operation & Services (See Fig. 1).

The 6th Plenary Meeting of ISO/TC 269 was held in Suwon, Republic of Korea in June 2017 hosted by the Korean Agency for Technology and Standards and the Korea Railroad Research Institute. 56 participants from 10 countries and three international organizations attended (See Fig. 2).

Four ISO standards have been published by ISO/TC 269 and



**Fig. 1: Structure of ISO/TC 269**

11 ISO standards are under development. The latest published standard is “ISO TS 22163:2017 Railway applications -- Quality management system -- Business management system requirements for rail organizations: ISO 9001:2015 and particular requirements for application in the rail sector.” Use of this technical specification will result in the improvement of rail services and a stronger industry.

I would like to try to develop ISO standards for Railway Applications together with my colleagues of ISO/TC 269 under the ISO policy of “Global relevance.”



**Fig. 2: Participants of the 6th Plenary Meeting in Suwon, Republic of Korea in June 2017**