International Conference on Energy Management on 15th of June 2016 in Stockholm, Sweden

Stockholm, Sweden, 28th of June 2016

Dear Conference participant,

On the 15<sup>th</sup> of June 2016 the Swedish Standards Institute (SIS), and the Swedish Energy Agency (SEA) organized an International Conference in Stockholm, Sweden on the following theme "ISO 50001 - Creating business and policy values with Energy Management Systems".

Close to 160 participants from all over the world participated in the event. The conference provided a valuable meeting place for people from industry, energy authorities, local and regional authorities, and those working nationally and internationally with the development and implementation of the International Standard ISO 50001. The speakers and panelists came from a broad spectrum of countries, organizations and disciplines.

The conference was held in connection to the week-long meeting with ISO/TC 301 *Energy management and energy savings*, responsible for the development of ISO 50001 and other standards. This year the International Standard ISO 50001 celebrates its 5-year anniversary and the work on a new revision of the standard is underway. That was the initial point of departure when we started to plan for our conference.

Our main aim was to create a meeting place for fruitful exchanges of ideas, synergies and discussions on energy management best practices, energy efficiency and cost reductions as well as to showcase inspiring work with climate and energy related issues. We wanted to bring together the end-users of the standard and the indirect users e.g. policy makers from government, energy agencies, certification bodies, auditors. We also wanted to bring together the implementers of the standard with the international experts involved in the revision of the current ISO 50001 (due to be published in the end of 2018/beginning of 2019).

One objective of particular interest to us was to give the end-users an opportunity to voice their market needs for easy and accessible solutions. Another objective was to highlight the importance of enabling integration of different managements systems through standards like ISO 50001, ISO 9001 and ISO 14001. Throughout the conference a clear message was sent to the international experts involved in the standardization process to "keep it simple".

Yet another objective was to bring together different international initiatives for enhanced cooperation. This resulted in a number of meetings hosted by the Swedish Energy Agency during the week with representatives from a variety of European and international initiatives.

We are very pleased to say that we managed to fulfill all our objectives. We are also pleased with all of the positive feed-back we have received from participants, speakers and panelists.

We are particularly happy about the positive impact our conference and its message proved to have on the discussions within the standardization community during the remainder of the week. In the standardization meetings, at various occasions, references were made in regard to the endusers wish to "keep it simple" and also to the presentations from the conference. We hope that with our efforts we were able to impact the dialogue in a positive way and to have helped impact the revision of ISO 50001 in a constructive yet innovative way.

We would like to extend our warmest and most heartfelt gratitude to all of you who participated in the conference and filled it with content and shared with us your insights and questions. We could not have done this without you. Together we all managed to create a thriving meeting place where we highlighted a number of ways to increase the usefulness and benefits of ISO 50001. We hope that you will carry with you the positive spirit and the insights received during the conference into the future.

Thank you and we hope to see you again.

## Best regards,

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Presentations from the conference

Press release from ISO on the 14th of June 2016

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