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Background of the 7th triennial review
(Transparency in standard-setting)

- Some of website links mentioned in the “WTO TBT Standards Code Directory” lead only to the top page of the organization, thus difficult to find out specific website page where the work programmes are published.

- It is difficult to find a notice announcing the period for commenting on a draft standard via the Directory.
Outcomes of the 7th triennial review

● Notification of the specific website addresses where the work programmes are published to the ISO/IEC Information Centre

● Sharing information about the publication of a notice announcing the period for commenting on a draft standard (e.g. title and volume of publication, website address)

● Discussing ways of improving Members' access to the information

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4.10 (b) with respect to transparency in standard-setting:

i. consistent with paragraph J of the Code, to encourage Members' central government standardizing bodies, and non-governmental bodies that have accepted the Code, to publish their work programmes on websites and notify the specific website addresses where the work programmes are published to the ISO/IEC Information Centre;

ii. consistent with paragraph L of the Code, to encourage Members' central government standardizing bodies, and non-governmental bodies that have accepted the Code, to share information about the publication of a notice announcing the period for commenting on a draft standard (e.g. title and volume of publication, website address); and,

iii. to discuss ways of improving Members' access to the information mentioned in i and ii above.
Implementation by JISC

Notification of the specific website addresses where the work programmes are published (G/TBT/37, para. 4.10.b.i)

In addition to the published matter, JISC has already provided the specific website address where the work programmes are published to the ISO/IEC Information Centre.
Implementation by JISC

Notification of the specific website addresses where the work programmes are published (G/TBT/37, para. 4.10.b.i)
Implementation by JISC

Sharing information about the publication of a notice announcing the period for commenting on a draft standard (G/TBT/37, para. 4.10.b.ii and 4.10.b. iii)

Publication mentioned in the “WTO TBT Standards Code Directory” also includes a notice announcing the period for commenting on draft standards. JISC can provide additional information on a website which announces the notice.

1) Standardization and Quality Control
2) JISC homepage: www.jisc.go.jp/jis-act/plan-ref.html

JISC homepage: www.jisc.go.jp/app/pager
Sharing information about the publication of a notice announcing the period for commenting on a draft standard (G/TBT/37, para. 4.10.b.ii and 4.10.b.iii)
By utilizing the existing system (WTO TBT Standards Code Directory), we are able to notify the specific website addresses where the work programmes are published to the ISO/IEC Information Centre.

It might be worthwhile to use “WTO TBT Standards Code Directory” to share information not only with a publication but also with the specific website of a notice announcing the period for commenting on a draft standard.