

Dear

I write to you in your capacity as a member of the ISO Committee (ISO TC232) to urge you to lend support to the proposal by ZAD endorsed by the German Standards Committee "Learning services outside formal education – Additional requirements for qualification of private investigation service providers".

In September 2018, during the IKD (www.i-k-d.com) Executive Meeting in Istanbul, the IKD advised that our German colleagues filed an application to develop an ISO-standard.

I understand the ISO Committee is to vote on this proposal on 27/11/2018 and I confirm this has the full support of the IKD member organisation I represent, namely, *****

The project had been initiated by „Zentralstelle für die Ausbildung im Detektivgewerbe (ZAD)“, a well recognized and certified educational service provider for private investigators, as shareholders the German Associations BID/BDD, the Austrian Associations OEDV/EURODET, the Swiss Association FSPD and the IKD.

Consideration

In most countries worldwide the profession of private investigations ain't an occupation requiring formal training but specific continuing training by informal and non-formal learning. Typically, non-formal learning will be effected by employment and activities of PI Associations - both lacking official recognition (qualification, certificate)

ISO - Application

In March 2018 the application had been endorsed by the German Standards Committee and forwarded as the following proposal to the responsible ISO Committee:

„Learning services outside formal education – Additional requirements for qualification of private investigation service providers“

On September 17th the proposal had been outlined and explained to the members of the ISO Committee (ISO-TC232) at their meeting in China (see & consider attachment: ISO_project_IKD_2018.pdf).

ISO -Objective & Scope

To develop an international adaptable framework and guidelines for educational service providers offering training or continuing professional development aimed towards a qualification of private investigators or instructors.

ISO- Effect

An international standard / reference (ISO) outlining the skills and competencies required for the profession of private investigations as guidance for educational service providers and instructors.

ISO - Applicability

- Qualification and standard for PI trainers / instructors in general education and professional education
- Management of PI educational institutions
- Assessment and improvement of educational offerings for Private Investigators

ISO - Implementation

- for customers to evaluate and assess PI educational institutions, instructors and their services
- for participants to evaluate and assess PI related educational offers
- for trainers and instructors to review their skills, competence and qualification required for the delivery of educational services as well as to determine development needs corresponding to an improvement process (**Plan-Do-Check-Act**)

ISO - Benefit for IKD

The „IKD definitions“ classify the basic PI services. Each single service requires specific professional competencies a PI has to possess the knowledge and command the skills of. These fundamental competencies will be - internationally compliant - included into the ISO. The ISO forms the basis to further develop the „IKD Module Manual“ enabling educational institutions and instructors in their respective country to generate training content.