



Team of Specialists on Internet Enterprise Development

**Fostering Internet Enterprise Development
by Governments and by Large Companies
through Subcontracting**

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TSIED Programme

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TSIED

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TSIED Mission

To promote internet enterprise development in the region of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, which comprises 55 countries from the Northern America, Western Europe, Eastern and Central Europe, Russia, Central Asia, Caucasus region, Turkey and Israel.

TSIED Objectives

To facilitate adoption of e-Business standards in the UNECE region, their understanding and implementation which serve as the base for the region-wide sustainable and efficient Internet enterprise development.



Why Open Standards

What is an Open Standard?

- Just anything a single vendor declares is a standard? Or anything on which two or more vendors agree?
 - ◆ These may be “specifications” or “de facto standards”, but not “open standards” from the OASIS point of view
- Open Standards are specifications developed and/or approved under a
 - ◆ Published, consistent process
 - ◆ Fair environment
 - ◆ Transparent, open operations
 - ◆ Transparent output

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An *open standard* is:

- publicly available in stable, persistent versions
- developed and approved under a published process
- open to public input: public comments, public archives, no NDAs
- subject to explicit, disclosed IPR terms
- See the US, EU, WTO governmental & treaty definitions of “standards”

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