International Organization for Standardization

- **ISO**
  - 163 Members
  - One vote each
  - 19,500 International Standards

- **Singapore**
  - ISO/TC 46/SC 11 - Archives/records management (*O-Member*)
  - ISO/TC 46 - Information and documentation (*O-Member*)
  - *Not on the TC 37 - terminology*
- Terminology and other language and content resources
- 46 standards published
- 19 in progress
TC 46-Information and Documentation

Standardization of practices relating to libraries, documentation and information centres, publishing, archives, records management, museum documentation, indexing and abstracting services, and information science. 112 standards

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In America

- ANSI – American National Standards Institute
  - A - Z
- Z39.x
  - NISO –
  - National Information Standards Organization
- Z39.19
- Thesaurus standard
- Free download from NISO.org
Standards Process

- Idea
- Proposal
- Proposal acceptance
- Draft standard
- Comment by members
- Resolve all comments
- Vote on standard
Every 5 years

- Reaffirm
- Revise
- Withdraw

- Must achieve consensus
- W3C
- Ad hoc process
- No members
- Publish Idea
- Ask for comments
  - Request for comments – RFC
  - When no more comments
  - Implement
Other groups

- Gather
- Propose idea
- Develop guidelines
  - Protocol
  - Syntax
  - Method
- Ask others to join
- Faster, consensus not needed