4. International body or system

A body or system whose membership is open to the relevant bodies of at least all Parties to this Agreement.

5. Regional body or system

A body or system whose membership is open to the relevant bodies of only some of the Parties.

6. Central government body

Central government, its ministries and departments or any body subject to the control of the central government in respect of the activity in question.

Explanatory note:

In the case of the European Economic Community the provisions governing central government bodies apply. However, regional bodies or certification systems may be established within the European Economic Community, and in such cases would be subject to the provisions of this Agreement on regional bodies or certification systems.

7. Local government body

A government other than a central government (e.g. states, provinces, Länder, cantons, municipalities, etc.), its ministries or departments or any body subject to the control of such a government in respect of the activity in question.

8. Non-governmental body

A body other than a central government body or a local government body, including a non-governmental body which has legal power to enforce a technical regulation.

9. Standardizing body

A governmental or non-governmental body, one of whose recognized activities is in the field of standardization.

10. International standard

A standard adopted by an international standardizing body.

Explanatory note:

The wording differs from the corresponding Economic Commission for Europe/International Organization for Standardization definition in order to make it consistent with other definitions of this Agreement.