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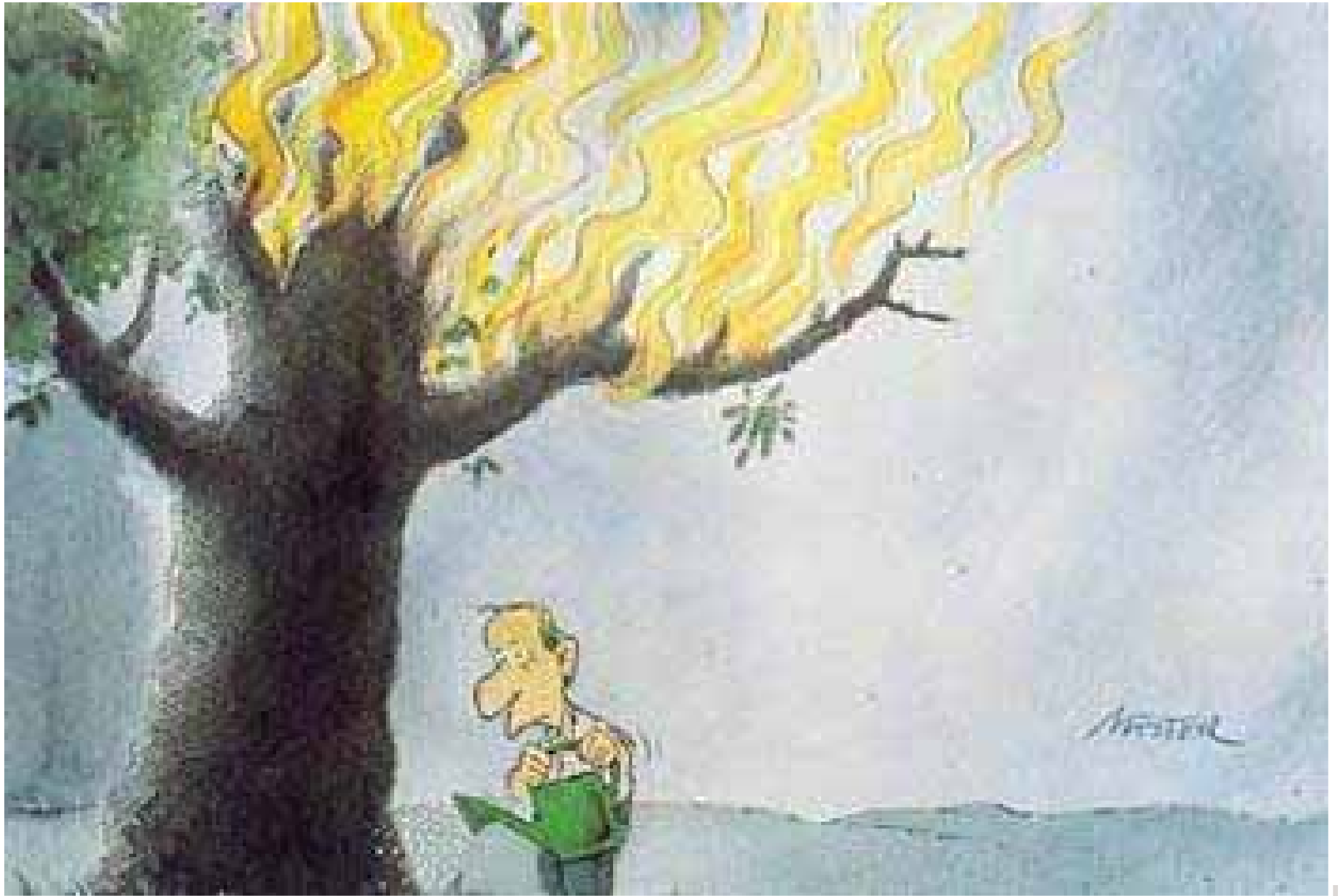
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Role and responsibilities of the TMB

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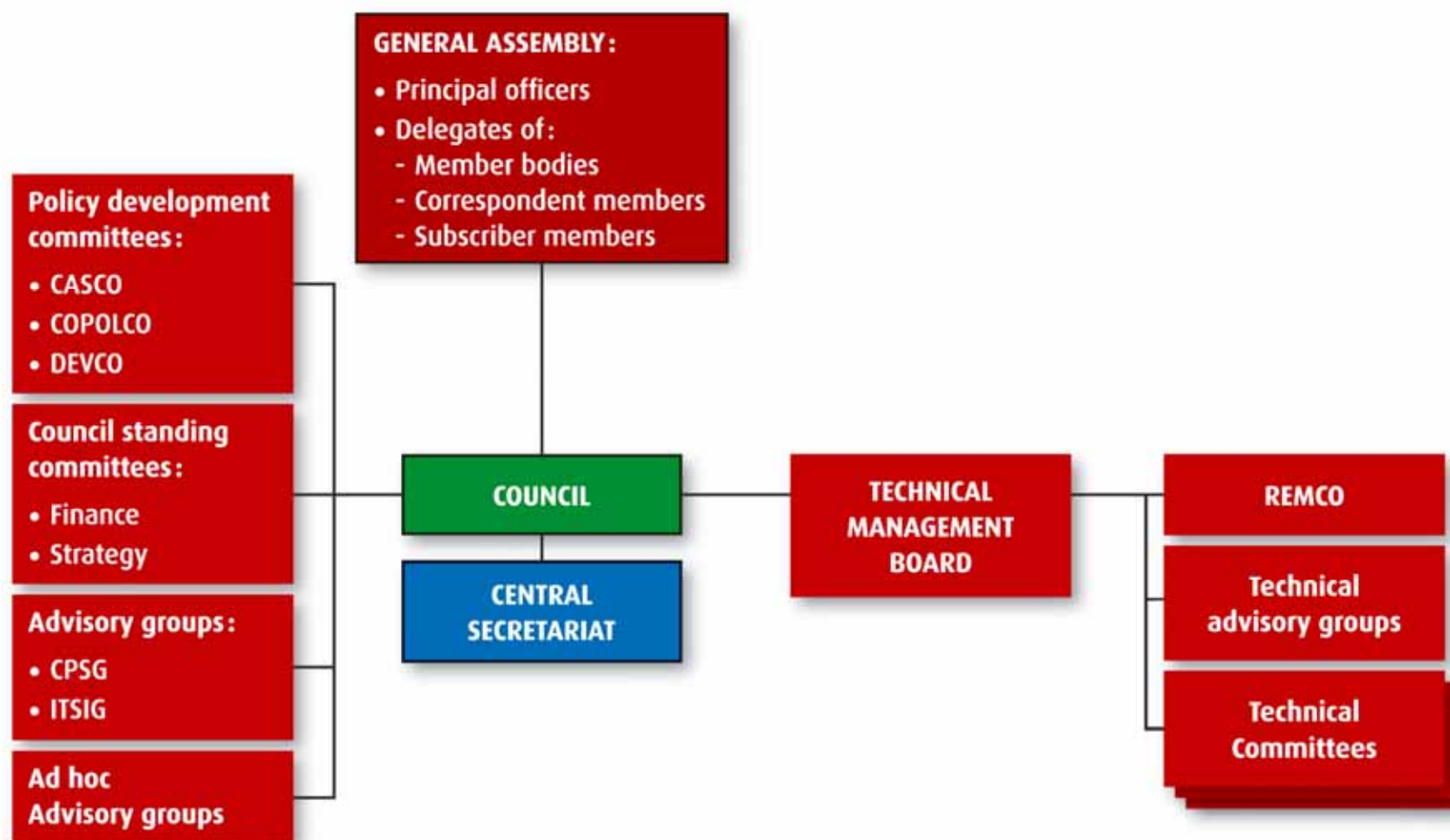
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ISO Statutes and rules of procedure

The Technical Management Board, within the framework of policies established by the Organization, shall have responsibility for the general management of the technical committee structure. It shall approve the establishment and dissolution of technical committees, and revisions of the directives for the work of the technical committees. It shall deal with all matters of strategic planning, coordination, performance, and monitoring of technical committee activities.

Governance - ISO Structure



The ISO system

At 10 June 2005

152 national members

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- IT tools
 - Standards development procedures
 - Consensus building
 - Dissemination

186 TCs
3 000 technical
bodies
50 000 experts

Central
Secretariat
in Geneva
150 staff

ISO/IEC Directives

- 1.1 The technical management board of the respective organization is responsible for the overall management of the technical work and in particular for
- a) establishment of technical committees;
 - b) appointment of chairmen of technical committees;
 - c) allocation or re-allocation of secretariats of technical committees and, in some cases, subcommittees;

ISO/IEC Directives (2)

- d) approval of titles, scopes and programmes of work of technical committees;
- e) ratification of the establishment and dissolution of subcommittees by technical committees;
- f) allocation of priorities, if necessary, to particular items of technical work;

ISO/IEC Directives (3)

- g) coordination of the technical work, including assignment of responsibility for the development of standards regarding subjects of interest to several technical committees, or needing coordinated development; to assist it in this task, the technical management board may establish advisory groups of experts in the relevant fields to advise it on matters of basic, sectoral or cross-sectoral coordination, coherent planning and the need for new work;

ISO/IEC Directives (4)

- h) monitoring the progress of the technical work with the assistance of the office of the CEO,
- i) review the need for, and planning of, work in new fields of technology;
- j) maintenance of the ISO/IEC Directives and other rules for the technical work;

ISO/IEC Directives (5)

- k) consideration of matters of principle raised by national bodies, and of appeals concerning decisions on new work item proposals, on committee drafts, on enquiry drafts and on final draft International Standards.

Routine questions

Decided by correspondence

- thirty day voting period

Members may request that particular questions be deferred for decision at next meeting

Technical questions (1)

Management by exception

TC requests (special procedures, exceptions to the Directives, etc.)

Coordination questions considered by TMB if impossible to reach agreement at lower levels

Coordination/cooperation with IEC and CEN

Technical questions (2)

Bodies reporting systematically to the TMB

- REMCO
- TAGs
- (S)AGs
- Other ad hoc groups (e.g for the revision of Guide 21)

SIX STEPS:

What worked?

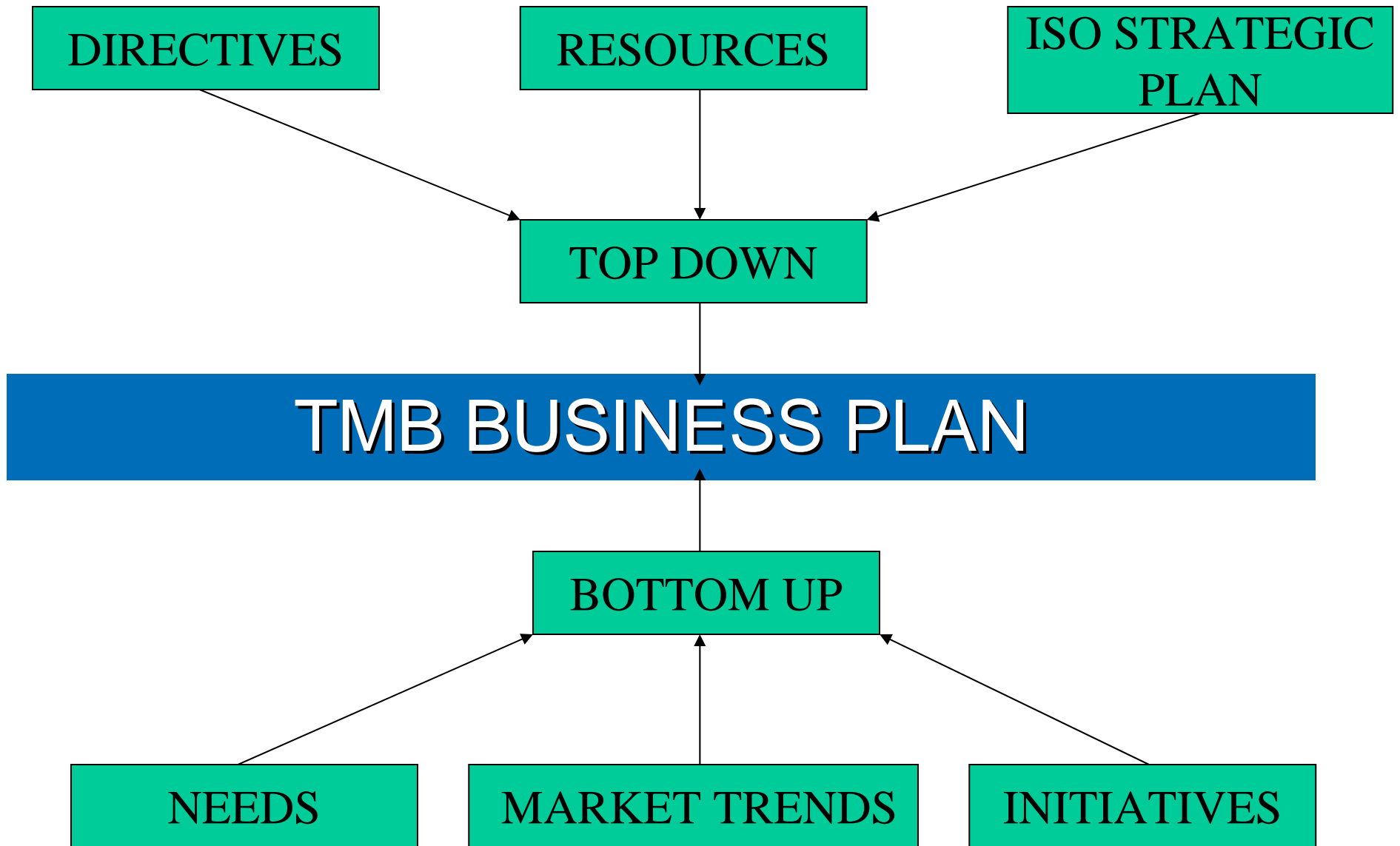
What did not work?

How much was implemented?

How much was fulfilled?

How much of the predictions were correct?

... How difficult was it to predict the future?



Strategic questions

TMB business plan

- embodies the seven key strategic objectives in ISO's Strategic Plan 2005-2010

Project champions

PDCA

TMB membership

Chair: Ziva Patir

AENOR (Francisco Verdera)

DSM (Robiah Ibrahim)

AFNOR (Gerard Mantel)

JISC (Hiroo Wakai)

ANSI (Steven Cornish)

SAC (Yongping Jiang)

BSI (Trevor Vyze)

SCC (Peter Clark)

DIN (Ernst-Peter Ziethen)

SNZ (Rob Steele)

DS (Lars Brogaard)

UNI (Ruggero Lenzi)

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