

## What is a standard?

 Put at its simplest, a standard is a document that provides, for common and repeated use, rules, guidelines or characteristics for activities or their results

## **Benefits of Standards**

- Standards help meet the demands of society & the application of technology
- Standards help to make life simpler & safer as well as increase the reliability & effectiveness of many goods & services we use

## How Standards are created

- Standards are created by bringing together the experience & expertise of all interested parties such as the producers, sellers, buyers, researchers, experts, users & regulators of a particular material, product, process or service
- Any standard is a collective work, established by consensus & approved by a recognised body.

