

and may be submitted electronically by email to Barbara Cuthill at the contact information indicated in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice by 5 p.m. on the Tuesday prior to each meeting for distribution to members prior to the meeting.

Each IoT Advisory Board meeting agenda will include a period, not to exceed sixty minutes, for submitted comments from the public to be presented. Submitted comments from the public will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis and limited to five minutes per person for oral presentation if requested by the commenter. For the April meeting, the commenter needs to specify if they plan to be in-person at the meeting or want to provide their comments virtually. Both options will be available in April.

Members of the public who wish to expand upon their submitted statements, those who had wished to submit a comment but could not be accommodated on the agenda, and those who were unable to attend the meeting via webinar are invited to submit written statements. In addition, written statements are invited and may be submitted to the IoT Advisory Board Secretariat, Information Technology Laboratory by email to: Barbara.Cuthill@nist.gov.

Admittance Instructions: Participants planning to attend via webinar must register via the instructions found on the IoT Advisory Board's page <https://www.nist.gov/itl/applied-cybersecurity/nist-cybersecurity-iot-program/internet-things-advisory-board>.

For attendance in person at the hybrid meeting in April, in-person attendance is limited to 50 and will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration will close for in-person attendance on April 11, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. EST.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

ANSI/NIST-ITL Standards Update Workshop: Data Format for the Interchange of Fingerprint, Facial & Other Biometric Information

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is hosting a public workshop to inform an update of the ANSI/NIST-ITL standard, "Data Format for the Interchange of Fingerprint, Facial & Other Biometric Information." This event will be completely virtual and occur February 21-23, 2023, from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. The purpose of this workshop is to solicit recommendations to identify and pursue updates needed to the above-referenced standard.

DATES: The workshop will take place February 21-23, 2023 from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. Subject Matter Expert (SME) working group meetings will occur on February 22-23, 2023.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held virtually, and additional participation information and logistics will be provided once registration is completed.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Law enforcement and related criminal justice agencies, as well as identity management organizations, procure equipment and systems intended to facilitate the determination of the personal identity of a subject or verify the identity of a subject using biometric information. To effectively exchange identity data across jurisdictional lines or between dissimilar systems made by different manufacturers, a standard is needed to specify a common format for the data exchange.

Biometric data refers to a digital or analog representation of a behavioral or physical characteristic of an individual that can be used by an automated system to distinguish an individual as belonging to a subgroup of the entire population or, in many cases, can be used to uniquely establish or verify the identity of a person (compared to a claimed or referenced identity). Biometric modalities specifically included in this standard are: fingerprints, plantars (footprints), palm prints, facial images, DNA and iris images. Identifying characteristics that may be used manually to establish or verify the identity of an individual are included in the standard. These identifying characteristics include scars, (needle) marks, tattoos, and certain characteristics of facial photos, iris images and images of other body parts. Latent friction ridge prints (fingerprint, palm print and plantars) are included in

this standard and may be used in either an automated system or forensically (or both).

NIST's Information Technology Laboratory (ITL) led the development of this American National Standards Institute (ANSI) approved American National Standard using the NIST Canvass Method to demonstrate evidence of consensus. NIST, as the Editor of the ANSI/NIST-ITL Standard, is soliciting recommendations and/or presentations to highlight specific updates the community of interest may want included in the next update of this document. Hence, NIST is hosting a public workshop to update the ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2001 Update: 2015 standard, "Data Format for the Interchange of Fingerprint, Facial & Other Biometric Information" (NIST Special Publication 500-290 Edition 3 (2015)). This event will be completely virtual and occur February 21-23, 2023, from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. Federal, industry, and academic stakeholders and interested parties who wish to participate in this workshop should please use this link to register: <https://www.nist.gov/news-events/events/2023/02/ansi-nist-itl-standards-update-workshop>.

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Addition of Species to the Annexes of the Protocol Concerning Specially Protected Areas and Wildlife in the Wider Caribbean Region

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; request for public comments.

SUMMARY: During a meeting of the Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee (STAC) under the Protocol to the Cartagena Convention on Specially Protected Areas and Wildlife (SPAW Protocol), held virtually on January 30-February 1, 2023, 24 animal species were nominated to be added to the Annexes of the SPAW Protocol. The Department of State and National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) solicit