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## Overview of SCC

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## SCC Mandate

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#### *TO PROMOTE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE STANDARDIZATION IN CANADA*

- Promote the **participation** of Canadians in voluntary standards activities,
- Promote public-private sector **cooperation** in relation to voluntary standardization in Canada,
- **Coordinate** and oversee the efforts of the persons and organizations involved in the National Standards System,
- Foster **quality, performance and technological innovation** in Canadian goods and services through standards-related activities, and
- Develop standards-related **strategies** and long-term **objectives**



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## SCC – Main Functions

- ❖ Approve National Standards of Canada
- ❖ Accredite organizations that provide standardization services
- ❖ Coordinate Canadian participation in international standardization
- ❖ Work with foreign, regional and international counterparts
- ❖ Serve as information resource

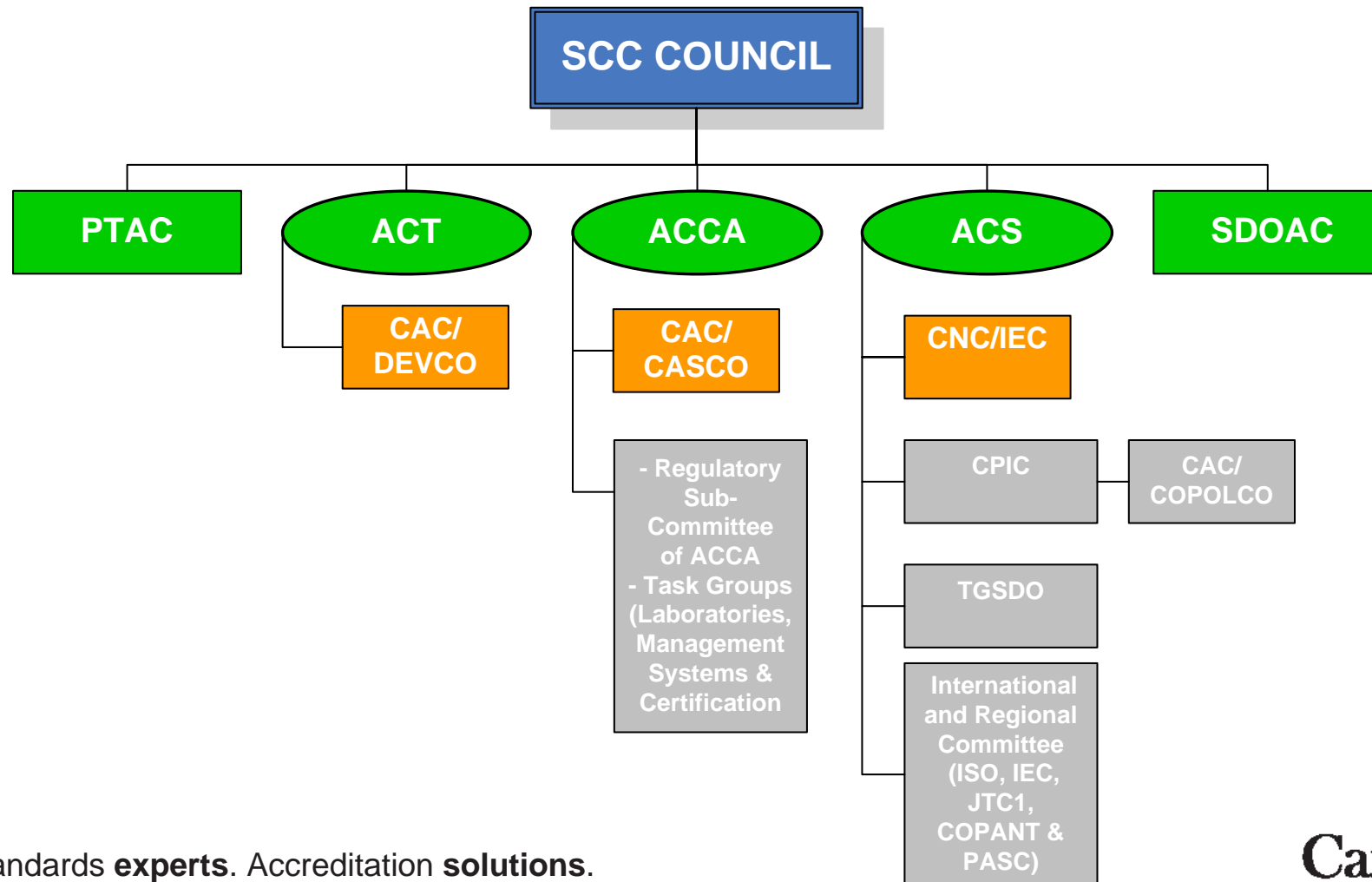


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## Organizational Structure for Policy Development within the Standards Council of Canada





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## SCC's Operational Branches

- ❖ Conformity Assessment
- ❖ Standards Branch
- ❖ Intergovernmental Affairs & Trade



## Conformity Assessment

- ❖ Accredit laboratories
- ❖ Accredit EMS (ISO 14000) and QMS Registrars (ISO 9000)
- ❖ Product Certification Organizations



## Standards

- ❖ Coordinate Canadian input to ISO, IEC
- ❖ Approve National Standards of Canada (NSCs)
- ❖ Accredite standards development organizations

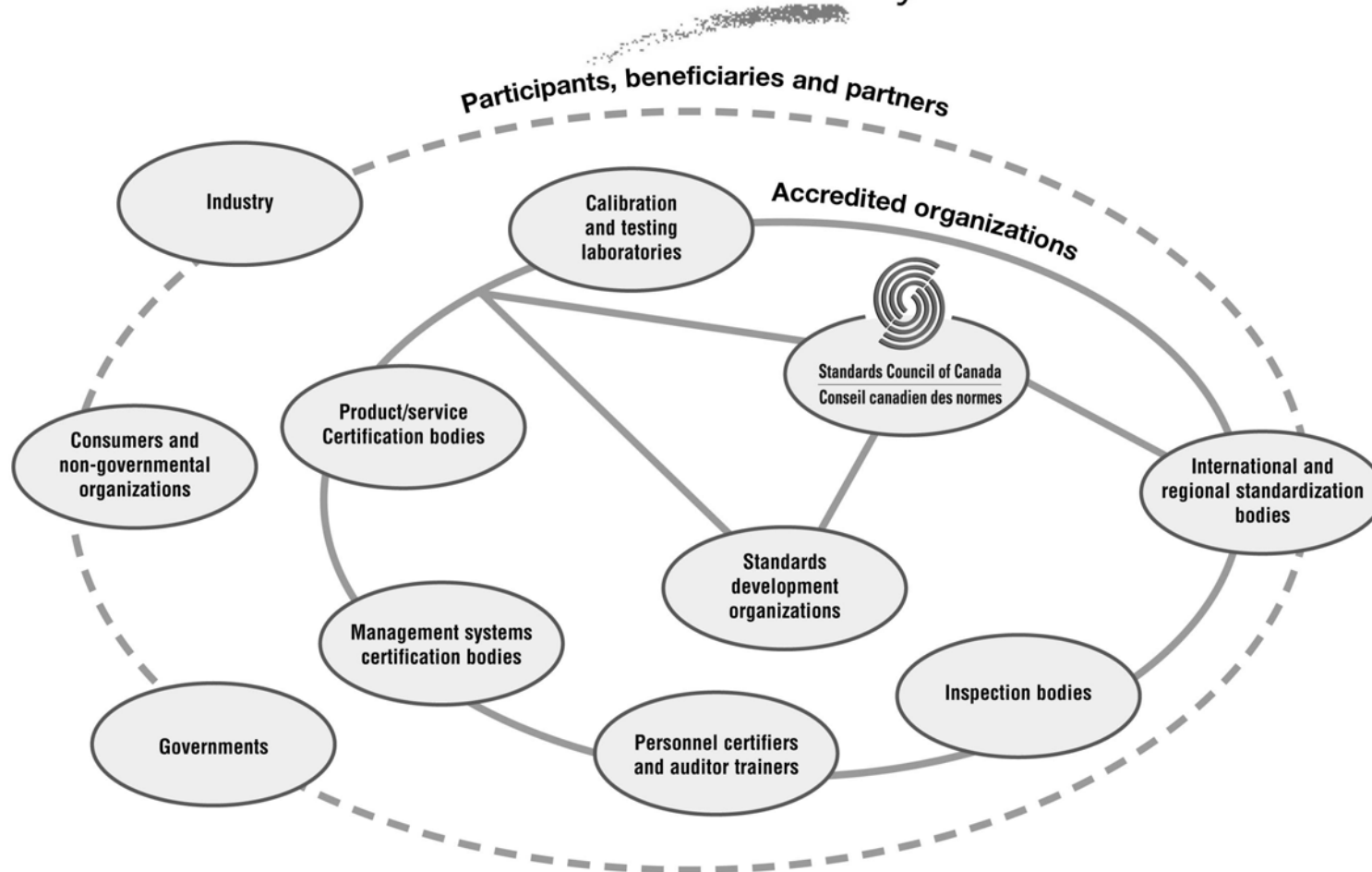


## Intergovernmental Affairs & Trade

- ❖ RegWatch - database of standards referenced in Canadian federal regulations
- ❖ Export Alert! – WTO Obligations - notice to exporters on global regulations
- ❖ Standards Alert
- ❖ Information Services
- ❖ Policy & Research



## national **standards** system



The National Standards System is Canada's network of people and organizations involved in the development, promotion and implementation of standards. Through the collaborative effort of the System's members, Canada's standards help advance the social and economic well being of the country and safeguard the health and safety of Canadians. Overseen by the Standards Council of Canada, the National Standards System consists of over 350 organizations and 15,000 members.

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## International and Regional Activities - Standards

### ❖ International Activities

- International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
- International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)



### ❖ Regional Activities

- Pan-American Standards Commission (COPANT)
- Pacific Area Standards Congress (PASC)





## International and Regional Activities – Conformity Assessment

### ❖ International Activities

- International Accreditation Forum
- International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation
- IEC certification schemes



### ❖ Regional Activities

- Pacific Accreditation Cooperation
- Asia-Pacific Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation
- InterAmerican Accreditation Cooperation





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## QUESTIONS?

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