

**Report of the Working Group on
Seismic Network and Station Codes**

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At the 2007 IASPEI meeting in Perugia, Italy, the Commission on Seismic Observation and Interpretation (CoSOI) Working Group on Seismic Network and Station Codes (WG-SNSC) approved the main points of the recommendation made by the Working Group at the IASPEI meeting in Santiago, Chile. On November 11-12, 2007, an *ad hoc* working group representing the International Seismological Centre (ISC), the US National Earthquake Information Center (NEIC), and the European-Mediterranean Seismological Centre (EMSC) met to discuss the implementation of the recommendation.

A draft coding standards document was constructed based on the recommendations as understood by the WG-SNSC Chairman, Avi Shapira and other members of the *ad hoc* working group, including comments on the recommendations from several dozen national seismograph network operators. Since Avi was leaving the ISC, I accepted the chairmanship at his request and completed the work of polishing and distributing the draft coding standards to Working Group members for comment.

The goal of the Working Group meeting in Cape Town is to finalize and approve the coding standards. This will open the way for the re-development of the International Registry based on the new standards. It has been proposed that this work should be conducted jointly by the ISC and the NEIC.