

**BRITISH STANDARDS INSTITUTION  
COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES (IST/5)**

UK National Activity Report presented to the meeting of  
ISO/IEC JTC1/SC22/WG5 (Fortran), Cadarache, France, June 14-18, 1999

**Membership and meetings**

The BSI Fortran Panel has 26 members, including observers and a graphics liaison member. Most of the panel's business is conducted by e-mail and it meets only when there are issues to be resolved which cannot be decided otherwise. There have been no panel meetings since the last WG5 meeting. Two of its members are also members of the BSI Committee on Programming Languages, the national counterpart of SC22. The number of UK-based members of J3 is one, Malcolm Cohen.

Individual members of the UK panel, including of course the WG5 convenor, have continued work on the various WG5 projects during the year.

**JTC1 and SC22 votes**

BSI voted as follows in the Fortran-related ballots since the last WG5 meeting:

FDIS 1539-3 Conditional Compilation in Fortran	yes
CD Registration for FCD 1539-2: Fortran, Part 2: Varying Length Character Strings	yes
FCD Ballot for FCD 1539-2: Fortran, Part 2: Varying Length Character Strings	yes with comments

**British Computer Society Fortran Specialist Group**

The British Computer Society Fortran Specialist Group has 196 members. It has held one meeting during the year, at which two members of the BSI panel gave presentations. It proposes holding a Fortran Forum in January 2000 to promote the teaching of Fortran as a language for science and engineering students.

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