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*“StandICT has been key to my involvement in AI standardisation.
Without StandICT, I simply wouldn’t have done it.”*



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Chair of the French standardisation committee on AI

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Who am I ?

- 🌐 Engineer with degrees in Automation, in Perception systems and robotics
- 🌐 Retired general officer who:
 - 🌐 has been involved in procurement and technical policies for sensors
 - 🌐 has written the French military doctrine for the use of AI
 - 🌐 has been key in promoting the setting of a French Armed Forces Ethic committee that will deal with AI ethical issues
- 🌐 Now an AI consultant:
 - 🌐 supporting the French administration in its handling of AI
 - 🌐 promoting the importance of standardisation
 - 🌐 promoting the need for a national and European strategic approach to AI standardisation
 - 🌐 promoting the need for Ethics governance within organisations

What are my “standardisation” duties ?

-  Chair of the French national committee on AI standardisation at Afnor
-  Chair of the French Working Group on the “Governance of Ethics for organisation” (*in support of AI standardisation*)
-  Co-convenor of the CEN-CENELEC AI Focus Group on AI standardisation
-  French head of delegation at the SC 42 (AI and Big Data)
-  Convenor for the SC42 international meeting organisation in Versailles, April 2020

What I have achieved

- 🌐 Better involvement of the French stakeholders (industry, academy and administration) in the AI standardisation
 - 🌐 Preparation of a National AI Standardisation strategy to strengthen French contributions to the EU
 - 🌐 A work still in progress and never ending...
- 🌐 Numerous contributions to SC 42 AI standardisation (Foundational and governance implication of AI)
- 🌐 The launch of a French WG on “Governance of Ethics for organisations”
 - 🌐 French proposed international standard expected in the coming month

SG42/WG1 (Terminology and concepts)

-  Definitions on autonomy, automation
-  Functional view of AI
-  Numerous edition comments

SC42/JWG1 (Governance implication of AI)

-  Definition and concept of oversight
-  Definitions (on-going) on Autonomous decision, Automated decision, controllability, delegation....

AFNOR/CNIA (Governance of ethics for Organisation)

-  Editor and main contributor of the first version of the standard
-  Definition on "operationalised ethics"

Why am I relying on StandICT ?

 Support towards AI standardisation is growing

 Still, standardisation is perceived as:

-  Long term
-  Uncertain
-  Financial and human resources demanding

→ Leading to funding issues for international meeting participation

Travelling and accommodations funding are a continuous struggling issue.

StandICT has allowed me to fully engage into standardisation, enabling me to follow up in international meeting contributions.

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