

# The ISO Acoustics Plenary 2021

Every 18 months, the acoustics standardization community meets – why?

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DMdB's founder and director, Douglas Manvell, has just attended this year's ISO Acoustics Plenary.

Every 18 months, a Plenary is held to manage international standards and standardization within ISO Technical Committee 43 on Acoustics and its Sub Committees, SC1 on Noise, SC2 on Building and Room Acoustics and SC3 on Underwater Noise. Like the previous plenary, this was held virtually over a 2 week period as opposed to the traditional physical gathering held over 1 week.

As chair of ISO Technical Committee 43 on Acoustics and its Sub Committee SC1 on Noise, together with the Secretariat, Douglas led each committee's plenary meeting, both attended by over 40 people from all over the world. These meetings help ensure that international standards remain current, up to date and valuable by assisting experts in developing quality standards and ensuring that they are internationally supported.

In connection with the plenary, a number of working group meetings were held, also virtually, enabling hundreds of experts to get together on specific issues. Among these was Working Group 45 of SC1 on the ISO 1996 environmental noise standard. This meeting, which Douglas also led, covered topics such as methods for impulsive and tonal detection, and wind turbine noise assessment at noise sensitive locations.

For more information about standardization within acoustics and noise, contact your national standardization organization, or get in touch with DMdB:

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