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Foreword

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- Part 1: Concepts and definitions
- Part 2: Requirements for benchmarking
- Part 3: Guidance for reporting
- Part 4: Guidance for data collection and maintenance

Further parts might follow.

Introduction

This part of ISO/IEC 29155 identifies the required activities and tasks that are necessary to successfully identify, define, select, apply, and improve benchmarking for information technology (IT) project performance.

This part of ISO/IEC 29155 is intended to provide guidance for organizations which are preparing to introduce and implement benchmarking techniques to evaluate performance of IT projects. This part of ISO/IEC 29155 assists organizations to establish a well-defined process to perform benchmarking. The process includes activities and tasks not only for data selection and comparison in IT project performance benchmarking but also for data collection, benchmarking repository management, and providing benchmarking instruments.

This part of ISO/IEC 29155 is developed as the second part of multiple parts which will complete the IT project performance benchmarking framework as is shown in <u>Figure 1</u>. This part of ISO/IEC 29155 provides the requirements for a benchmarking process.

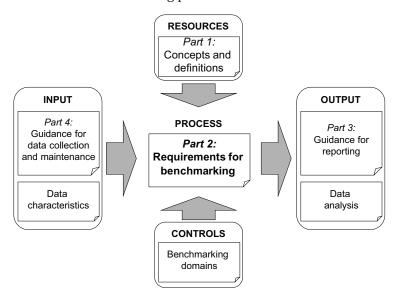


Figure 1 — IT project performance benchmarking standards overview

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Part 2:

Requirements for benchmarking

1 Scope

This part of ISO/IEC 29155 provides general requirements for processes of "the information technology (IT) project performance benchmarking framework" by prescribing:

- the requirements for the processes for individual activities within the benchmarking framework (e.g. conduct benchmarking, maintain repository, submit data),
- the tasks necessary to successfully execute activities and equip them with components, both of which are defined in ISO/IEC 29155-1.

This part of ISO/IEC 29155 is intended for use by any stakeholder(s) of IT project performance benchmarking (e.g. benchmarking user, benchmark provider, benchmarking service provider, and IT project team).

NOTE The following are examples of how this part of ISO/IEC 29155 can be used:

- by a systems and software supplier to implement a benchmarking process to estimate and/or evaluate performance of an IT project,
- by a systems and software acquirer (or a third-party agent) for evaluating the performance of the supplier's IT project,
- by a benchmark provider to implement processes to collect and analyze IT project data and provide benchmarks,
- by a benchmarking service provider to implement various services (e.g. providing instruments for benchmarking, or conducting an instance of benchmarking for a benchmarking user).

This part of ISO/IEC 29155 does not prescribe how to utilize benchmarking results, nor does it prescribe the name, format, or explicit content of the documentation that results from the benchmarking processes.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO/IEC 29155-1, Systems and software engineering — Information technology project performance benchmarking framework — Part 1: Concepts and definitions