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Françoise Rauser is the Executive Secretary of the IEC Affiliate Country Programme, a free programme that comprises 83 developing countries – half of all countries that participate in the IEC. She is also the IEC liaison Officer for Developing Countries and the point of contact for ITU-D, UNIDO, UN-SE4ALL Practitioner Network and WTO TBT Committee, amongst others.

With the help of her staff, Rauser coordinates all global activities that enable developing countries to benefit from IEC work to improve quality, efficiency and safety management in electrical devices and infrastructure as well as electronics. Within the context of the Affiliate Country Programme, participating countries benefit free of charge of IEC work in standardization and conformity assessment. She also coordinates the launch of IEC Africa Regional Centre (IEC-AFRC), inaugurated in Nairobi, Kenya, 2nd November 2015.

Prior to joining the IEC Affiliate Country Programme Secretariat in 2003, Rauser worked in the Technical Department of the IEC Central Office since 1987. Among other responsibilities and in the context of IEC standardization work, she provided guidance regarding compliance with the ISO/IEC Directives to the leadership and experts of IEC Technical Committees.

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