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Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee IT-019, Information and Documentation, Information Technology — Learning, Education, Training and Research, to supersede AS/NZS ISO 15836:2016, *Information and documentation — The Dublin Core metadata element set*.

After consultation with stakeholders in both countries, Standards Australia and Standards New Zealand decided to develop this Standard as an Australian Standard rather than an Australian/New Zealand Standard.

The objective of this Standard is to establish 15 core metadata elements for cross-domain resource description. These terms are part of a larger set of metadata vocabularies maintained by the Dublin Core Metadata Initiative.

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This first edition of ISO 15836-1 cancels and replaces ISO 15836:2009, of which it constitutes a minor revision.

- This document covers the same elements as ISO 15836:2009. Properties and classes in ISO 15836-2 were not included in the previous version of ISO 15836:2009.
- Core elements and their specifications are now located in [Clause 3](#).
- Some definitions have been updated (e.g. resource and date).
- Introduction has been revised.

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