

## **Liaison Statement from WG 21 to WG 14**

At their February 2008 meeting, WG 21 decided to remove the storage class specifier "auto" from the C++ language, as proposed in their paper N2546. This storage class specifier was inherited from the C language, but is rarely if ever used in C++. In investigating this, it was also noted that very few if any uses of "auto" could be found in C programs either.

It is the C++ intention to start using "auto" for a totally different purpose, and to that end WG 21 would like to encourage WG 14 to review the role of "auto" in their upcoming revision of the C standard, and either deprecate or remove it as appropriate.