CEN and CENELEC developments in 2017

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**Stronger ties with European Institutions**

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- 15 actions – 5 led by CEN and CENELEC.
- Reinforced engagement through CEN and CENELEC champions for each action

**REFIT**

- CEN and CENELEC participation in Stakeholder Group & appointed as co-rapporteur for Internal Market
- Opinion on CPR approved for WP 2017
- 4 other opinions submitted incl. non-citation of hENs
Stimulating and Improving

Stimulating more stakeholder engagement

4 workshops in 2016:
• Digital Transformation
• The Circular Economy
• Services
• Smart Metering

Improving CEN & CENELEC processes’ efficiency

New and upgraded IT tools & services
• Data feed service improved
• Draft ENs in XML provided to CEN & CENELEC Members
• Upgraded voting system
• Seamless working environment (CEN-ISO)
CEN-CENELEC Digital Transformation Strategy
Specific projects under discussion

- Develop a CEN-CENELEC new **online process for standards development**
- Propose recommendations to **modernize the exploitation of standards content** through state-of-the-art digital products
- CEN - CENELEC system (including CCMC) to **become more agile**
- Establish **strategic alliances and partnerships** at European and International level
Evolving cooperation - rationale

- **Technical alignment** = remove TBTs and foster global competitiveness
- Foster **ISO and IEC deliverables** adopted everywhere
- Bilateral cooperation = **complementary** means to foster technical alignment and accompany regulatory convergence
- **Increasing requests** for European standards and to establish formal partnerships
- Partnership **tailored to countries’ expectations** regarding EU
New partnership concepts
Boosting market access through technical harmonisation

New Affiliates and CSBs concept

- More flexibility for CSBs, more interactions, new IT tools
- Direct access to CEN & CENELEC databases (European home-grown standards)
- 83 227 Active European Standards adopted by Affiliates and CSBs (and 1705 European Standards adopted by 21 3rd countries NSBs)
- 234 observers in 163 CEN and CENELEC TCs.
Cooperation with National Standardization Bodies
Contributing to the removal of Technical Barriers to Trade and facilitating market access
Cooperation with other regions
Promoting the success of the European Standardization System (ESS) and achieving technical harmonization
Observerships in CEN and CENELEC Technical Committee (1)

• **Rationale for the Participation of non-European experts in European Technical Bodies**

• **Conditions to allow observership:**
  - Observers must represent their national TC with same scope
  - Observers must be nominated by the NSB/NC
  - Official request from NSB/NC to CEN or CLC
  - No limitation as regard to the number of TCs in which observership is requested (+ no additional fee)

• **Rights**
  - Access to all TC, SC and WG documents and meetings
  - Max. 3 experts + 1 interpreter
  - Submit comments to the working documents
  - Circulate the drafts submitted to Enquiry, UAP or Formal Vote in accordance with [Guide 10](#)
Observerships in CEN and CENELEC Technical Committee (2)

• **Obligations**
  - Circulate documents of the observed TC in the mirror TC only
  - Inform the European TC of any national deviation or special national condition* in the NSB/NC during CEN or CENELEC drafting process
  - Comply with [CEN-CENELEC Internal Regulations](#)
  - Comply with [CEN-CENELEC Guide 10](#)
  - Represent the views of their mirror TC (vs. company)

• **Annual Reporting:**
  - Current state of play in the sector
  - Use made of the standards of the TC
  - Planning of activities within the mirror TC
Thank you!

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