Standards build trust: CEN and CENELEC launched a Declaration for the European elections

In view of the upcoming European elections on 23-26 May, CEN and CENELEC launched on 9 April the Declaration "Standards Build Trust". By identifying 5 main priorities of actions, the Declaration points out how European standardization can support the objectives of policy makers and help them meet the most relevant challenges of the future, from AI to sustainable energy, up to smart appliances and blockchain.

Visit the dedicated website of the Declaration

CEN and CENELEC commit to gender responsive standards

On 14th May Ms Elena Santiago Cid, Director General of CEN and CENELEC, officially signed UNECE’s Declaration on Gender Responsive Standards and Standards Development together with 20 of CEN and CENELECs’ national members. With this signature, CEN and CENELEC pledge to support the creation of gender responsive standards.

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5th Putting Science into Standards (PSIS) workshop on Quantum technology

On 28 and 29 March 2019, more than 70 experts attended the 5th Putting Science into Standards (PSIS) workshop, co-organized by CEN, CENELEC and the European Commission’s JRC on the subject of Quantum Technology. The workshop provided an overview of how standardization can be useful to the quantum innovation process, drawing attention on existing activities and identifying new promising areas for standardization.

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CEN and CENELEC launched a new Focus Group on AI

Following recent developments in Artificial Intelligence and the challenges identified by the EU, CEN and CENELEC proposed the creation of a Focus Group on Artificial Intelligence. On 24 April 2019, the new CEN-CENELEC Focus Group on AI held its Kick-Off Meeting in Copenhagen.

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CEN and CENELEC to hold their Annual Meeting in Bucharest, Romania, on 5-6 June!

The 15th Annual Meeting of CEN and CENELEC will take place on the 5th and 6th of June in Bucharest, Romania's capital. It is hosted by ASRO, the Romanian National Standardization Organization. The event will be an opportunity to put together CEN and CENELEC's board members, Members, Guests and standardization stakeholders on a series of high-level events, such as the organizations' General Assemblies, a session on cybersecurity and a public conference on how standards connect markets.

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Stair4Security

Stair4Security successfully has completed its first two project deliverables to the European Commission, including the comprehensive Dissemination and Communication Plan, as well as the new project website.

Visit the project's website for more information

SESEC IV: fostering relationship between the EU and China on standardization

The Seconded European Standardization Expert in China (SESEC IV) has been actively contributing to the discussions in the recently established CEN-CENELEC Joint Task Force on China. It has been closely following policy developments in China, such as management rules on enterprise standards, association standards and mandatory national standards.

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SESEI III helps bring India and Europe closer!

In recent months, SESEI III (the Seconded European Standardization Expert in India) focused on the publication of specific reports on a variety of sectors, such as on the Indian Automotive Industry, the 100 Smart Cities Mission in India and the Indian ICT sector. The reports provide a deep understanding of the Indian market and of the main technical regulations and standardization efforts.

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Progressing standardization cooperation with five top priority 'foreign' partners

After their establishment in 2018, the five Priority International Partnership Task Forces (India, Japan, Africa, the Gulf region and China) have already held three rounds of meetings, with the participation of their foreign counterparts. Over the course of 2019, the five task forces plan to implement the planned actions endorsed by the CEN and CENELEC General Assemblies.

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CEN and CENELEC organised the 2019 StandarDays

On 29-30 April, CEN and CENELEC hosted the 2019 edition of StandarDays in their Brussels headquarters. The two-days yearly event is a flagship of CEN and CENELEC: its aim is to raise awareness on the functioning and importance of the European Standardization System to the wider public.

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e-Invoicing is a reality, thanks to European Standards!

On Wednesday 17 April, e-Invoicing officially entered into force, as foreseen by Directive 2014/55/EU on 'Electronic Invoicing in public procurement'. This would allow European public administrations to process e-Invoices in a harmonised way.

CEN has played a fundamental role in making a harmonised e-Invoicing method a reality, through two deliverables ensuring interoperability for the electronic invoicing in public procurement.

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News from our Members

New visual identity and name for SIS

SIS, the Swedish National Standardization Body, adopted a new name and visual identity: henceforth, its official name is Swedish Institute for Standards in English, or Svenska institutet för standarder in Swedish, as opposed to the previous Swedish Standards Institute.

Discover the new branding on SIS’ website

ISRS has a new name

The Standardization Institute of the Republic of North Macedonia (ISRS) has changed its name and logo to fit with the historical agreement which has established the country’s new name as the Republic of North Macedonia.

See the new name and logo on ISRSM’s website
PKN held the nationwide student competition "Standardization and Me"

Since 2012 the Polish Committee for Standardization (PKN) has been organizing a nationwide competition "Standardization and Me", intended for students and teachers of upper secondary schools of all types. This year's edition was dedicated to the theme "Standards + City = Smart City".

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News from our Partners

ECOS has a new Executive Director

On 11 March, Justin Wilkes became the new Executive Director of ECOS, the European Environmental Citizens Organisation for Standardization – one of CEN and CENELEC’s Annex III partners. Mr Wilkes, who previously was for four years ECOS' Deputy Director, took over from the former ECOS Director Laura Degallaix

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ECOS' Conference on plastic in the circular economy

On 13 June, ECOS is hosting the Conference "Plastic in a Circular Economy: Rethink, Reduce, Redesign!". During the event, ECOS will present its new report which assesses legislative options available to ensure products containing plastics are designed for circularity, targeting key sectors such as packaging, electronics, automotive and construction.

More information and registration

SBS's Annual conference: Standards for Europe's sustainable growth

Tomorrow, Wednesday 22 May, Small Business Standards (SBS) will hold its annual conference. The event is dedicated to how SMEs contribute to the sustainable development of Europe, with a specific focus on the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

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New Liaisons organisations

List of new Liaison Organisations

Since January 2019, CEN and CENELEC have signed liaison agreements with a series of organisations representing their respective CEN-CENELEC industries at European level, or international organisations with recognised expertise that is valuable to European standardization. Liaison organisations are committed to provide input to the technical work of one or more CEN and/or CENELEC Technical bodies, alongside with other stakeholders' representatives from European policy making and from the consumers world.

Read the full list of Liaison agreements signed since January 2019

Standards Facts and Figures

Standards Evolution and Forecast
Information about the standards that have been published or will be published, under enquiry, withdrawn, undergoing a formal vote, new projects or work items that have been adopted.

CEN Standards  Access the list
CENELEC Standards Access the list

CEN and CENELEC in figures
Statistical pack presenting the quarterly reporting on the outcomes of CEN and CENELEC activities.
Access the figures

Mark the date

2019-06-05/07: 15th CEN and CENELEC Annual Meeting in Bucharest
2019-06-07: Conference on European Standardization in Bucharest
2019-06-24: Conference on standards for space applications in Europe

You can find a list of other events foreseen for 2019 here

10-10 Webinars:
2019-06-11: Public access to documents and communications exchanged with the EU institutions
2019-07-10: CEN-CENELEC Innovation Plan
2019-07-10: Frankfurt Agreement

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