

HLF Workstreams 2026 & CEN-CENELEC Sherpas 2026

Workstream	CEN-CENELEC Co-lead	Co-lead	CEN-CENELEC support	Support
<p>WS 2026/1. Strategic planning and the AUWP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide recommendations to better anticipate standardisation needs in the EU. • Better structure the contribution of the HLF to the AUWP. • Connect long term strategic planning with short-term standardisation activities. 	Pouline TERPAGER (DS, CEN)	ETSI		<p>Co-Leaders: ETSI, CEN, CENELEC</p> <p>Support: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, ANEC, BUSINESSEUROPE, CENELEC, DIGITAL SME, ECOS, EFIC, Orgalim, SBS, T&D Europe</p>
<p>WS 2026/2. Education & Skills on standardisation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support, promote and monitor the introduction of the EU certificate of Knowledge in standardisation. • Contribute to large educational events and give support for specific thematic areas (as done on quantum technologies). 	Johannes KOCH (VDE, CENELEC)	DIGITALEUROPE, TU/e	Bernhard SPALT (OVE, CENELEC)	<p>Leader: TU/e</p> <p>Co-leaders: CEN, CENELEC, DIGITALEUROPE</p> <p>Support: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, BUSINESSEUROPE, DIGITAL SME, ETSI, SBS, T&D Europe</p>

<p>WS 2026/3. Global standards-setting and the EU position</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthening EU participation in international standardisation bodies Identifying areas where EU interests and priorities align with international standardisation efforts, developing strategies to promote EU positions. 	<p>Johannes KOCH (VDE, CENELEC)</p>	<p>ETSI</p>	<p>Bernhard SPALT (OVE, CENELEC)</p>	<p>Co-Leaders: CEN, CENELEC, ETSI</p> <p>Support: Austria, Belgium, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Romania, Slovenia, Sweden, BUSINESSEUROPE, Connect Europe, Cement Europe, DIGITALEUROPE, DIGITAL SME, ECOS, ETUC, eu.bac, Orgalim, Quic, SBS, TU/e</p>
<p>V1. Digital Product Passport</p> <p>Based on work done by past WS13, facilitate development of coherent, effective DPP system, ecosystem that functions reliably and without creating unnecessary burden.</p>	<p>Benjamin HELFRITZ (DIN, CEN)</p>	<p>Germany</p>	<p>Meriem NAIMI (AFNOR, CENELEC)</p>	<p>Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Romania, Slovenia, Sweden, SMEunited, ANEC, BUSINESSEUROPE, Cement Europe, DIGITAL SME, DIGITALEUROPE, ECOS, EFIC, ETSI, Orgalim, SBS, SMEunited, TU/e</p>
<p>V2. Quantum</p> <p>Monitoring activities to support the implementation of the Quantum Europe Strategy on standardisation. Raise awareness and strengthening the governance of quantum standardisation and its international dimension. Work on specific issues</p>		<p>Italy, ETSI, Quic</p>	<p>Meriem NAIMI (AFNOR, CENELEC)</p>	<p>Czech Republic, France, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Romania, Sweden, ANEC, BUSINESSEUROPE, CEN, CENELEC, DIGITAL SME, DIGITALEUROPE, TU/e</p>

<p>V3. Electricity System for Energy Support transformation of energy system with standards that meet EU needs (i.e. HVDC grids, LVDC microgrids, AC grid digitalisation, smart electrical appliances, including white appliances, HP, batteries and eVs, etc.).</p>		T&D Europe, eu.bac	Bernard SPALT (OVE, CENELEC)	: Austria, Czech Republic, Finland, Germany, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Romania, Slovenia, BUSINESSEUROPE, CEN, CENELEC DIGITALEUROPE, ETSI, Orgalim, SBS
<p>V4. Standardisation for dual-use technologies Support defence and security agenda of EU by identifying, leveraging synergies between civil standardisation and potential implications on military, defence sector.</p>		DIGITALEUROPE, ETSI	Alexandre COLOMBIER (AFNOR, CEN)	Finland, France, Germany, Luxembourg, Romania, Slovenia, Sweden, BUSINESSEUROPE, CEN, CENELEC, DIGITAL SME, T&D Europe, TU/e