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The CEN and CENELEC Strategy 2030: highlights and implementation

Questions & Answers

1	Are you working on the digitalisation of standards and using different means from PDF (such as supporting data schemas in XML)? In addition, one main issue I experienced is related to images that are manually re-drawn with issued on time and reduced quality. Are you working to improve this process and set better requirements to automatize this process? Thanks	Yes, the digitalization of our standardization production is our top priority (in cooperation with ISO &IEC). Both using XML and allowing for digital engagement (commenting) are projects we are currently progressing on. Please have a look at the Strategy 2030 Document, specifically at priorities 2.1 and 2.2 for further information.

If you would like more in-depth information this is something we can ask our Production colleagues to provide. We will include in the webinar follow-up the link to previous webinars which were carried out with regards the production processes |
2	Do you have also a plan to set a digital platform to collect comments on standards instead of using a doc file? Any plan also of using digital platforms to work collaborative on the same version during the drafting process?	
3	Is there a dialog on in the CENELEC on impact of Covid-19 on the way the standardization work is taking place? Any thoughts on the new normal?	Please consult the recently published COVID-19 lessons learned report on our website – link here.
4	Are there any plans to consolidate the Standards organisations for new technologies, like GSMA, OneM2M, etc?	Where relevant, we work closely together with for a and consortia. Regulation 1025/2012, however, is only applicable to the official European Standardization Organizations (ESOs)
5	Are you seeing any impact from Brexit?	Please consult this brief news for an update https://www.cencenelec.eu/news/brief_news/pages/tn-2020-034.aspx
6	I hear you on the alignment to IEC and ISO. I also understand that you propose that this alignment is to the extent of the EU strategy on standardization. Does this mean there are areas of EU standardization which are not addressed by IEC. Can you elaborate please?	We intend to continue our close collaboration with both ISO and IEC, including a further alignment of strategic priorities and standard development systems. In terms of standardization activities, we will continue to promote the international first principle. Where no adequate international standards exist we will of course continue to develop homegrown ENs.

7	Do you have a position on machine readable standardization?	Upscaling the development and use of machine readable and interpretable standardization deliverables is a key priority (2.1) under Goal 2 regarding our commitment to offer state-of-the-art digital solutions to our customers and stakeholders.
8	In order to be effective, NSBs ought to be recommended to implement national plans consistent with the CEN-CENELEC Strategy 2030.	This is very much the approach we have agreed to with our national CEN and CENELEC Members. The Strategy 2030 Implementation Plan (currently being developed) will define Members' contributions and their overall accountability in the implementation of the Strategy 2030 more clearly.
9	Is the plan to reinforce the influence of CEN on ISO standardisation?	CEN and ISO as well as CENELEC and IEC work very closely together under framework of our respective agreements (Vienna and Frankfurt) and we follow the international first principle.
10	I miss the inclusion of industrial association specifications. Did I miss this or is this addressed as well?	Goal 4 aims to ensure the transparent, accessible and empowered participation in our systems for all relevant stakeholders, including industry associations. Under Goal 1 as well, we aim to cooperate with industry associations as key stakeholders in the renewal of the public private partnership with the EU.
11	Can you tell us more about the Implementation Plan at this stage? I understand from the presentation it will be ready in June this year. Will it be publicly available and regularly revised?	A high-level Task Force is currently developing a rolling Implementation Plan to translate the goals and objectives identified in the new Strategy 2030 into actionable objectives and projects. The Implementation Plan will be an internal working document subject to regular revisions.
12	Project Management standards integration are being considered?	Project Management is a topic addressed at the international level.
13	Over the last years we have worked hard on priority areas outside Europe (Africa, China, the Gulf, India and Japan). Where do these fit in?	We will continue to engage with these priority areas, albeit with a focus on China, Africa and the Gulf. In our international cooperation overall, we will continue to promote our commitment to the international level and to the international first principle. See also: https://www.cencenelec.eu/intcoop/Agreements/Pages/default.aspx