

Webinar of 2021-06-29

Harmonized European standards: Drafting standards compliant with EU legislation

Questions & Answers

1	Are harmonized standards for construction products voluntary too?	European standards are by default voluntary according to EU Regulation 1025/2012 on EU standardization. However, the EC considers that harmonized standards for construction products under CPR are mandatory.
2	The proposed Battery Regulation requests not harmonized Standards in its SReq. Is this also in line with what we have heard here?	The standards in this area are harmonized standards as they belong to a Sreq. However, as they are not supporting a NA Directive, the related standards will not be referred in the OJEU
3	WHO is delivering the draft for the text for the publication in the official journal?	This point is covered in the last point of the webinar.
4	How can CEN influence the EC to speed up with validation of Sreq?	The development process of a Standardization Request is in the hands of the European Commission (EC) and there are some procedural steps which cannot be avoided (eg. stakeholders consultation, EC internal service consultation, translation, circulation of documents at CoS, etc.). Nevertheless, being in direct contact with the sectorial EC officers always help to facilitate exchanges and raise issues.
5	What happens, when CEN/CENELEC rejects a SReq that was adopted by CoS?	CEN and CENELEC will usually invite the European Commission to continue the discussion and the negotiation with the objective to have a new Standardization Request acceptable for CEN and/or CENELEC. Nevertheless, there is no obligation from the European Commission (EC) to do so and no standards can then be offered and cited in the OJEU
6	Who and how you get invited in the SRAHG (Team)?	The CEN and CENELEC Management Centre is opening the call for participants of all SRAHGs

		to all CEN and CENELEC Members and Annex III organizations (e.g. ECOS, ANEC, etc). Our Members can appoint several representatives in a SRAHG. In addition, the CEN-CENELEC Management Centre is also contacting the concerned Technical Committees to get their participation as well.
7	Is there a formal procedure to update the SReqs? How can completely new standards be included in already existing SReq?	The process is similar to the SReqs and an amendment of the SReqs is needed.
8	Do the annexes of a SReq also require a full approval process? I.e., for instance, an updated list of standards or some updated implementation guidance?	The answer is yes. The annexes are part of the SReq.
9	Is it possible to harmonize a standard that is not listed in standardization requests?	No, there is a need to amend the Sreq in order to update the list of standards candidate for referencing in the OJEU in support of this Sreq.
10	How long does the process take to amend an SReq to add new standards to the list for harmonization?	The update of a SReq takes several months (difficult to give a timeframe, but I'll try)
11	Around 2004, when the scope was extended to GPSD. at this time the Commission was interested in retrospective harmonisation. that is taking published standards and proposing for harmonisation. are they still doing this?	In the Annex of the Standardization Request, there is usually the list of standards that the EC want to see revised. This is maybe in line with your point.
12	In the draft of the new Machinery Regulation (MR), there is a possibility to adopt technical specifications by the Commission giving presumption of conformity outside the European standardisation process. This seems to be in contradiction to the concept of the new approach presented by Catherine Vigneron (see slides 9 to 11). How does this procedure in the planned MR comply with Regulation 1025/2012 or is it backed by a different Regulation/law?	Indeed, such technical specifications are planned to be adopted via examination procedure but in line with the CEN-CENELEC position paper , such powers are indeed not envisaged by the NLF-decisions, which in its reference provisions for harmonized legislation only refers to the option of harmonized standards, not technical specifications.
13	How long does a normal Standardization Request procedure (or its revision) usually need?	This depends on the topic, but I would say that for a totally new topic, 12 to 18 months is an average. For revision, it could be shorter (6 to 12 months), but again, it varies a lot according

		to the topic...
14	Looking at the entries in Projex-Online under the tab "EC/EFTA relation": what is the difference between the items "Harmonised", "Supporting" and "Citation Candidate"?	This reflects some historical background and we could have harmonized standards which were not necessarily offered for citation in the OJEU or supporting the development of hENs.
15	What are the main step and timing of the creation of the Annual union work program?	The drafting of the Annual Union Work Programme (AUWP) is the hands of the European Union, but CEN and CENELEC are invited to comment (usually call for comment is sent to the CEN and CENELEC Technical Boards). CEN and CENELEC are usually requested to comment Q2/Q3 of the year (for the AUWP of the year after). The final document is made available on the European Commission website Q4 (https://ec.europa.eu/growth/single-market/european-standards/notification-system_en#annual)
16	May we work on two standardizations request at the same time?	Yes sure, an expert can work on several Standardization Requests at the same time (Standardization Requests should nevertheless not overlap)
17	Why the Commission uses a contractor, instead of employing the consultants directly?	This is a question to ask EC but an element of reply is that EC staff rules are limiting EC to recruit directly consultants for a long term mission. EC is either creating agencies or launch a procurement process to get the work done by an external consultant.
18	If we reopen a standardization request, may we continue to continue to work on the content of the initial one?	In principle, the new Standardization Request will repeal the previous one. However, it could also happen that a SReq will only replace partly of a mandate.
19	What are the procedures and time frames if the EC acts as consultant (eg. Ecodesign Directive)?	In principle the time frames are the same. However, in some cases the EC has not respected the time frames. There are currently some coordination activities to ensure that the process is indeed following the same principles.
20	Most standards are developed in IEC and in the past we had parallel voting and standards where published in EU as well - why is it now so complicated to have the already existing IEC	The parallel development of standards with the IEC is the default approach. However, the corresponding EN can be 'blocked' before publication in case the project has received a

	standards published in EU?	negative assessment from the Consultant.
21	In the past we faced delays, when the official contracts for the consultants needed to be tendered for the next period. Are there any measures in preparation to ensure a smooth and consistent workflow in the assessments?	Yes, the EC is aware that it is important to not disturb the system and to ensure continuity and they are already working in line with that.
22	Why is only 20% for committee work for the consultants? it would be of great benefit to have them included in the work to a much higher amount. This would for sure result in less negative assessments.	The EC contract defines that the role of the consultant is to check the conformity of the standard and not therefore, this contribution should be enough.
23	How the system ran out of budget even in a time in which there are no travel costs?	The EC has informed that several new sectors have been included (which were not foreseen), the exceptional requests and to a certain extent in some cases an additional participation of consultants in the supporting activities (not assessing standards).
24	Why are some instructions HAS consultants have to follow during their assessments classified? It is difficult for a standard writer to fulfil such instructions if they are not publicly available.	The HAS assessment template is the checklist used by the consultants. It is advisable that Technical Bodies take a look at this template when drafting hENs. We are exchanging with the EC to see if some guidance material is available and can be provided.
25	What is the need for a consultant?	The current role of the consultant is to assess the conformity of the technical requirements of the standard with the essential requirements which they are supposed to cover as identified in the Annex Z.
26	Is it allowed to skip a FV in the development of a hEN, when the assessment for the ENQ was compliant and the ENQ was approved and we have a TC-decision?	If the assessment is compliant and there are no expected changes in the draft yes. However, if by any chance, changes are expected, then FV needs to be undertaken.
27	What about a second assessment for a 2nd DIS ? The existing procedure neglects reality and therefore, it should be changed immediately	At the moment the system allows only one assessment per phase and CEN and CENELEC have suggested to possibly change this in the future. TCs are also supposed to be able to address the comments received.
28	Dear colleagues, we recognise a movement of deharmonization of some harm. standards	During the development of a standard, a Technical Committee may decide to remove the

	<p>under the machinery directive, that were drafted many years ago. I am interested to know the official way of deharmonization of standards that which drafted, published und listed in the OJ under a mandate. Who needs to take what decision (EC, TC, CEN/BT etc.)? Does the EC have to withdraw or change the mandate or is it sufficient that the TC takes a decision for deharmonization and CEN/BT "approves" that decision?</p>	<p>link to legislation and the mandate. For that, a TC need to make a request (normally a TC decision) to the BT to remove the link to legislation, including the removal of the Annex Z. If BT agrees, the standard is published without the Annex Z and not offered to the EC for citation. The CCMC project manager will inform the EC accordingly. The TC could then decide to initiative a revision/amendment of the standard to harmonize it. On the other hand, if the EC believes that a standard should not continue to be cited in the OJEU, the EC can remove it from the OJEU.</p>
29	<p>Why is it not possible to get a second assessment at a 2nd enquiry when there is a fundamental change in the standard? This is a weakness in this system.</p>	<p>This message has been passed by CEN and CENELEC to the EC. However, it is important to ask assessments from the very beginning with the 1st working draft.</p>
30	<p>Can the formal vote be skipped for harmonised standards? What happens if ISO skips the FV for a parallel WI? Can CEN then also skip the FV or has it to be carried out to allow a HAS Consultant assessment?</p>	<p>Yes for question 1; for question 2 usually CEN will follow and skip the FV as well (again the HAS assessment must be compliant to follow this approach.</p>
31	<p>In VA-cases: HAS-assessments shall take place at the same time as Enquiry and Formal vote. Is there a process ongoing to enable assessment PRIOR to Formal Vote in order to have time to implement the HAS-comments before Formal Vote?</p>	<p>Yes, Enquiry/DIS assessments are requested ahead of the start of the Enquiry/DIS. For FVs/FDIS ISO has aligned the process with CEN and the assessment is done before the start of the FDIS/FV.</p>
32	<p>Our TC has already launched works on standards, before the whole process has been put in place. What happens with these standards? shall they be submitted for assessment or can we publish them without assessment (and of course they will not be published to the OJEU)</p>	<p>We recommend to contact the CCMC Project Manager to get you advice on your specific project. Also explained in the presentation.</p>
33	<p>What happens after a negative HAS assessment at formal vote stage? Has the project to be started again?</p>	<p>The TC can also decide to de-harmonize and publish as a non-harmonized.</p>
34	<p>HAS Consultant (EMCD, RED): I feel EY's choice of scientific-not so much technical/formal-</p>	<p>EY is responsible for the recruiting of HAS consultants. Probably the qualification criteria</p>

	qualification of the consultants is often questionable. Standards are compromises in many ways but should not contradict sound physics. Who sets the qualification criteria for the HAS Consultants?	was defined by the EC and EY. Further information can be found here .
35	Then it seems that there is lack of coordination between the Commission and E+Y?	The HAS consultant should follow the instructions of the EC. Whenever there is an issue where the HAS consultant did not proceed correctly, CCMC will highlight this to EY and the EC.
36	When standard is developed by IEC then transposed into European standards. In case of harmonized EN standard, when or how to create the annex ZA/ZZ and launch HAS process ?	There is additional information in the training https://www.cencenelec.eu/aboutus/ourservices/Training/webinars1010/Pages/2019.aspx
37	What is the link for the HAS platform? I don't find it in live link?	HAS platform link
38	<p>Apart from the fact that in the last few months the system has been functioning poorly (because the consultants were not allowed to communicate with the TCs):</p> <p>Is the Commission aware that it is absolutely essential to have a smooth transition from one HAS contractor to a (possibly) new one in next March/April?</p> <p>What must be clear: It would be absolutely detrimental if upon termination of the current contract end of March 2022 there was a ""gap"" in the assessment system (i.e. a period without consultants). We had such a situation in 2015/2016 already and in some TCs we are still today suffering from the consequences of that situation.</p>	<p>The EC will launch a tender and anyone can apply. The EC will then choose one of the applicants. I completely agree with you. It's crucial that there are no interruptions between the old and the new contract. It's fundamental that the new contract will be operational as of 1 April 2022. We have provided this message to the EC.</p>
39	Why is it taking two to three years to get IEC → EN 60335 series HAS assessed?	The request for assessments will follow the work programme of CLC/TC 61.
40	When the Livelink Distribution System will be replaced by a ""new"" system (as done in ISO and CEN)?	The replacement of live link will be smoothly transferred, but there is not yet a precise date for its replacement.
41	You mentioned the translated versions in German or French. When is the latest stage	It is not clear to what translations you are

	where we need to submit more than an English version of the annexes?	referring to.
42	Is a preview (draft assessment) of an ISO std possible ? Actually there an Harmonized std EN 1012-1:2010 which will be rewritten into ISO 18623-1 (almost finished) by the Vienna agreement it should become EN ISO 18623-1 and the goal is that the new std can be harmonized and replace the EN 1012-1.	Assessments are possible for CEN and CENELEC documents and as per your question also for projects under the Vienna Agreement. The first WD is also possible and the TC should request the assessment if there is already a WI for the project.
43	HAS consultant meeting with TC only, or (perhaps better) with the WG that drafted the standard?	Yes, it is more efficient to organize telco with the WG when it has already studied the HAS consultant and has prepared a list of questions to be raised to the HAS consultant
44	What is the path for the harmonisation with IEC standards in the HAS process?	Dear David, this will be addressed in the 4th part of the Webinar.
45	what does CEN mean by "home grown"?	It is a standard that is developed by CEN or CLC outside the frame of the Vienna Agreement or Frankfurt Agreement.
46	Translation Only in German and French, not in English anymore?	CEN and CENELEC provide standards in English, French and German indeed.
47	Which are the rules that the Commission applies for the final decision of listing a standard that has been positively assessed by the HAS consultant? Lack of transparency leads to arbitrary decisions	<p>When a standard is offered to the EC for citation, the EC will assess whether the standard is compliant with the EU legislation and mandate/standardization request. The HAS consultant must follow the instructions of the EC. Therefore, the criteria covered in the HAS checklist template is also followed by the EC.</p> <p>Normally, if a standard received a compliant HAS assessment, the standard should be cited in the OJEU. Additionally, in some cases, there may exist some specific sectoral EC criteria. Further information can be provided by the sectoral CCMC project manager.</p>
48	I understood that 12 weeks are to say how the TC/WG will deal with the assessment, but the work can be longer. This is not what was explained here.	According to the BT Decision on the procedure of the HAS assessment system, in case of a FV Lack of compliance assessment, the FV is suspended for a period of 12 weeks. If there is a need to work longer, the TC should get in touch

		with the CCMC project manager to find a solution.
49	How long does it take from offering a standard for citation to the EC until it is listed in the OJEU?	This question will be covered in the last session of the webinar.
50	Are working committees allowed to contact the HAS consultant directly again? In view of the limited budget, NSBs were informed earlier this year that the European Commission has decided to prevent any exchange between HAS consultants and standardization bodies.	The EC decided to temporarily suspend the meetings between the HAS consultants and Technical Bodies due to budget restrictions of the HAS project. The EC also informed that additional funding will be made available to allow meetings with the HAS consultants again. Technical Bodies will be informed when the HAS system will be restored back to normal.
51	What happens with existing harmonized standards (harmonized in relation to an already superseded Directive but still listed in the OJEU) that are not part of the Sreq. Will they be further listed in the OJEU or will they be automatically "disharmonized"?	It is left to the appreciation of EC.
52	It would be GREAT to have a list with definition of acronyms used in the presentation!	<p>Many of our acronyms are explained on the websites:</p> <p>https://www.cen.eu/helpers/Pages/acronyms.aspx</p> <p>https://www.cenelec.eu/membersandexperts/referencematerial/abbreviationsacronyms.html</p> <p>Should you have others unexplained, please don't hesitate to ask.</p>
53	Are HAS consultants aligned with EC legal services? Will a positive HAS assessment more or less guarantee citation in OJEU?	Yes, the HAS consultants are aligned with the EC instructions. So normally, receiving a Compliant assessment should in theory lead to a citation in the OJEU.
54	As we usually have to deal with revisions of already existing (harmonized) standards: What is the consequence of the "de-harmonization" of a revised standard (i.e. the previous version is listed in the OJEU, but the new one not): Will the old one be removed from the list in the OJ?	No, not systematically luckily
55	Els do you have a list of all participants? How	Dear, we have a list of all participants, but we

	will the presentations be distributed?	do not intend to share this with all attendees for privacy reasons. The presentation (and the link to the recording) will be send to all attendees after the webinar
56	Why can the EC reject citation although the assessment is positive and all assessment comments have been addressed?	The HAS consultant are consultants
57	In case of de-harmonization decision further lack of compliance and publication without link to legislation for a revised document with previous version cited what is impact of the deharmonization process ?	The manufacturer has two options: There is an old harmonized version that can still be used but is not the state of the art. There is a voluntary standard moderner that the manufacturer may use but in this case it will have to demonstrate by constituting a technical file that it is meeting the ERs of the Directive(s).
58	Who is the contact person in CCMC for HAS assessment matters? Nuno?	Yes, Nuno and also Myself (Gonçalo)
59	What can be done, if the HAS-assessment was positive, but the standard is still not cited in the OJ?	Normally this should not happen. If we receive a HAS assessment Compliant, in theory this should lead to citation. The EC will still make the assessment of the harmonized standard for citation. It could happen that the EC found an issue that was not spotted by the HAS consultant. In this case, CCMC will get back to EY and EC to discuss this issue.
60	Would you please provide a checklist, which formal criteria need to be fulfilled in order to get a positive assessment?	The checklist was provided to all secretaries and chairpersons of Technical Bodies. The checklist is available on CEN and CENELEC BOSS. https://boss.cen.eu/media/checklist_hens.docx https://boss.cenelec.eu/media/checklist_hens.docx
61	Nuno has cited the checklist for hENs to be included in the zip for enquiry, could you please give more information on this? Thank you	It will come in the next part of the presentation.
62	If a second FDIS is carried out in the case of EN ISO standards to resolve the comments due to a negative assessment, we then can have again a meeting with the HAS Consultant to discuss the foreseen amendments? Is this covered by the	In principle, there is always the communication possibility (this will also depend on how much the consultant has been involved in the project). For exceptional cases, do not hesitate to contact the CCMC Project Manager.

	<p>new funding?</p> <p>For Vienna Agreement projects, will the HAS assessment now generally be carried out before the start of the Formal Vote As per the new process for FDIS, ISO CS will wait the outcome of the assessment and a way forward will be decided by the relevant TCs, i.e. will there be the possibility, as with ENs, to resolve the HAS assessment comments before the start of the FV? This would avoid a lot of formal processes/work</p>	
63	<p>When Thierry listed "inclusion of clauses not linked with Essential Requirements" as a non-compliance, does this refer to clauses in the body of the standard that are listed in the Annex ZA, or does it include clauses that are included in the body but not referenced from the Annex ZA?</p>	<p>Well both cases actually exist...</p>
64	<p>Thank you very much for the quick answer. Does the new process also apply to EN ISO projects that are at the moment just before the FDIS or the 2nd FDIS?</p>	<p>Yes, at the moment the assessment of EN ISOs prior to FDIS will be assessed prior to FDIS. Please note that 2FDIS will not have a 2nd assessment.</p>
65	<p>What is the reason that dated standards references should be used? When a reference is updated, the standard in effect at the time would have to be considered in addition to the updated standard. This can lead to difficulties during planning.</p>	<p>As presented, in line with the EC understanding, dating normative references is the way to ensure legal certainty of the content of the hEN (which provide presumption of conformity).</p>
66	<p>Just to avoid some misunderstanding (sorry, I may have missed this): The reasons that Thierry mentions NOT to cite the hEN in the OJ: Are these criteria that form the basis for the HAS consultant assessments? Or are they criteria that the Commission checks when it receives an already assessed hEN-candidate from CCMC with the request for publication in the OJ?</p>	<p>Those requirements are in principle covered by HAS consultants and the EC. However, bear in mind that there is been an evolution of the criteria for assessing the standards, but they should be aligned with HAS assessments criteria.</p>
67	<p>Here in a hEN we have to quote a dated version (I agree with this approach) , but ISO 17025 is not consistent. that requires the most recent version of the standard to be used. Will ISO</p>	<p>It is important to ensure a technical coordination and you can always check the status of the development of the projects in the relevant organization's websites.</p>

	17025 be modified?	
68	How can the link to the CPR be removed? Can this be done during the NWIP for the revision of the document (no link in the NWIP form to the mandate)? Or is there a need for separate TC or even BT decision needed for this?	In most of the cases, the TCs just prepare the NWIP without the link to legislation. However, I would suggest preparing a TC decision which perhaps should require BT approval.
69	Will you please provide the boilerplate text for European foreword - if it will become a harmonized standard? Thanks!	Yes, we are updating the simple template for CEN and CENELEC documents and it will include the boilerplate text.
70	The slide "Foreword" in the presentation of Thierry Legrand seems to have an error. It should read: For the relationship with EU Directive(s) see Annex ZZ (not Annex ZA),	Please note that Annex ZA in CEN refers to the relationship with legislation and in CENELEC is Annex ZZ as you refer. The PPT has been adapted to read Annex ZA/ZZ to make it clear and complete, covering both CEN & CENELEC
71	Is it possible to produce the EN before the standardization request and then "Harmonized" it when the standardization request is available? Do we have to restart the process from the beginning?	It depends the change to be brought to the EN to align it with the Standardization Request and of the status of the previous Standardization Request covering the topic (if existing). If the negotiation/discussions about the standardization request are well advanced, the TC has a relatively good idea of what's going to be in the SReq and the only missing part would be the Annex Z (which could be added through a 1 month consultation at the BT, following a positive assessment from the HAS consultant). Another case could be that the EC allows to refer to the 'old/previous' standardization Request covering the topic (this happened in some sector). Should there be any change to be brought to the technical content of the EN (following the availability of the SReq), then the TC would have to prepare an amendment (full process then).
72	I am referring to the translation of the annexes (Annex ZZ, ZA). Do we need to submit the annexes in all three languages already in the first working draft or only before the formal vote? Because if submitting all three languages in the beginning and we adjust the annexes according to the HAS assessment, we need to adjust all three versions (English, German and	Translations are requested at ENQ, FV and Publication stage (to our members -DIN, AFNOR and DKE). They are however not submitted for HAS assessment as all requests are in english only. This is well known as part of the production process with our members.

	French version). Is it enough to submit the English version in the beginning and translating the annexes in the end?	
73	Are undated references of standard allowed into clause 2?	The Clause 2 reflects the normative references (with requirements) included in the body of the standards and whether they are dated or not. It is important to understand what are the sector specific rules.
74	Who should have access to the Livelink HAS platform? - just TC Sec or should the TC Chair also have access - if so how is it requested? (for info - a CLC TC)	The access is granted to TC secretaries.
75	Undated reference are not accepted by HAS consultant... why to talk about it?	Undated normative references are possible to be used in the hEN if they are not linked with essential requirements of the EU directive. A justification could be provided to avoid issues with the consultant/EC.
76	If you state in clause 2 (as shown) that for undated references the latest revision of the standard applies: What about transition periods? No one can follow a new revision of a referenced standard immediately within one day. Is there no mechanism that establishes an adequate transition period? In the OJEU, there is a regime for the complete standard, not for the references in it.	The normative references apply to the standard itself. The market implementation needs to deal in a different place (national implementation, citation in the OJEU).
77	In the case of the ATEX Directive, a HAS consultant recommends including normative references to specific ATEX standards in Annex ZB in the right-hand column "remarks". Under what conditions is this allowed? We have assumed so far that this is not allowed.	Thierry will cover the dating of normative references later in his presentation.
78	Is ISO aware of the problems with negative HAS Consultant assessments due to undated references. Is there a discussion with ISO underway to make them aware of the need to use dated references?	Yes, ISO is aware of this topic, but the dating remains a technical decision and it is to each technical committee to decide on what reference to include. As noted in the presentation there are ongoing discussions.
79	EC does not require dated references: if not, they ask justification	Actually, it does require dated references. In case the TC does not want to date, it has to provide the justification to the EC (provided

		that this normative reference refers to the presumption of conformity)
80	so all references shall be dated? a CEN editor refused to move a document to FV because of undated reference.	The current instructions are to follow IR 3, if dated in the text, dated in clause 2. If this is not happening, we should just raise awareness to TCs.
81	Do corrigenda need to be included in dated normative references?	We currently include a footnote informing if there is more than one reference part of the document (e.g. Amendments, corrigendum), but in the standard only the main.
82	sorry I was TO FAST WITH ENTER: " how the product is applied...." E:g. for harmonized building product standards the requirements are separated from application, as application are depending from the national way of building. In the product standards is referred to "the product as placed on the marked". Do you think that application and product requirements are merged in the future product standards?	This is still to be seen, but this is the type of input which needs to be identified when Sreqs are developed.
83	According to HAS consultant, undated referenced standards are forbidden for harmonisation.	At the moment it is clear that different sectors have different approaches, but the instructions provided are in line with the EC instructions. Do not hesitate to contact the PM responsible for your TC.
84	Although there may be a - very theoretical - possibility to use undated references in the context of harmonized standards: I think we should state very clearly that the use of dated references is in practice more or less compulsory. The conditions for the use of undated references are in most cases so restrictive that hardly any TC will be able to achieve this (and may still be stopped by the Commission at the very end of the publication process...)."	CCMC has the tendency to agree.
85	Hello, in the same cases HS is canceled by CEN, CENELEC, and ETSI but standard still in the Directive HS list - how to proceed in this case?	in such case the ESO would contact the EC to ask the EC, on the advice of the TC, the reference in the OJEU.
86	EU Legislation for example uses "VSD" which is a Complete Drive Module (Frequency Converter	EU terminology rules over IEC terminology as it is the law; maybe a common modification will

	for motors) in IEC / EN Standards. How can this be if the statement from Thierry is "Never re-invent terms". Who rules over what? IEC (International) over EU legislation or vice versa ?	need to be drafted in order to adjust the terminology in an European context (or a pure CLC standard developed).
87	Will there be a specific CPR webinar?	Yes, we are planning to organise a CPR webinar after the summer.
88	Slide "Annex ZA/ZZ (1/2)": It seems that this slide shows the template for Annex ZZ, not ZA as indicated in the slide	The templates are very similar but I took this example from a published EN, positively assessed and referred in OJEU...
89	When an update of the normative references is needed, because some of the dated references have been replaced by newer, do we need to go through the full revision procedure, or is there a short-cut, when only the dates in clause 2 need to be updated?	It is suggested to progress an Amdt.
90	For products in the frame of GPSD, I suppose the 1st column of the annex ZA will include the requirements of the standardisation request if any ?	yes, that's it for the GPSD.
91	'@Annet: As CPR is a very special piece of legislation compared to others such as Machinery or LVD etc. it would make sense to have a special Webinar for this subject.	Yes, we are planning to organise a webinar on CPR after the summer.
92	or does CEN use the designation Annex ZA instead of Annex ZZ which is used within CENELEC? However, in this case this could create confusion.	Indeed the CENELEC equivalent of the Annex ZZ in CEN is called Annex ZA!
93	The neutrality principle shall absolutely refer to the one of ISO Directives : it applies to the verification of conformity of the standard not to neutrality of requirements. Most of the standard indicate "the manufacturer shall..." and this shall not be changed	No, CCMC disagrees. In an European standard, there should be a description of the tests and of the ways to meet the requirements but it should not specify which actor will fulfill this. Please contact your PM in charge if you do have some doubts
94	if the product is not covered by HS, how to meet the safety requirements of directives?	In line with the relevant legislation you need to fulfil the requirements of the directive directly.
95	In the past the DOW and the DOCOPOCOSS were nearly equal. Will that change in future if	it is already changing in some sectors where we can see a disconnection. both dates are under

	we have more timely intensive communication with HAS and COM?	different responsibilities (ie DOPOCOSS is an EC decision), but CEN and CENELEC are working with the EC to find pragmatic solutions.
96	So from 2021-09-30 the checklist always needs to be submitted TOGETHER with the standard documents that are dispatched for ENQ or FV, respectively? Also for revisions of existing standards?	Yes indeed.
97	This is a heavy burden for volunteer experts to TCs and WGs	Agree CCMC continuously explain this to EC.
98	Diirective directly--by applying non HS as well?	It could be, but it will be for the user to decide and for any market players and authorities to accept.
99	When will the specific CPR checklist become mandatory?	The CPR checklist is under preparation. When it's available, it will become mandatory as of 2021-10-01.
100	What is the plan: When will the checklist for the construction sector be available?	The checklist for hENs for construction was prepared by CEN-CLC/BTWG 9. It will be discussed at the next CEN-CLC/BTWG 12 meeting on 7 July. Further information will be available after the meeting.
101	There was a checklist published by EC in 2016 - how does this new checklist relate to that from the EC???	Can you clarify, which checklist you are referring.
102	Under Vienna Agreement with ISO Lead, is it also possible to delay the FDIS/Formal Vote in order to revise due to a "not compliant" assessment? (If not, this should perhaps be a possibility for the future in order to facilitate the process.)	Yes this is indeed in place but if the resolution of the issues linked to the non-compliant assessment is taking too much time ISO/CS will proceed with FDIS
103	Please review clause 33 of ISO directives.	This feedback should be submitted to ISO.
104	Who is " WG qualified support"? or is this only for certain WGs?	The WG qualified support is provided by the CEN member holding the secretariat of the WG. WG Qualified Support is based on Professional Standardization Support but adapted to the specificities of developing harmonized standards.

105	When TC release hEN for a formal vote, how long will it take when the hEN release in OJEU, often is very late!.	Difficult to say but between submission to FV and Publication in OJEU it may take about 18 months.
106	Please share the link to the matrix of responsibilities	Yes, the matrix of responsibilities link will be added to the presentation. It will also be included in the CEN BOSS page on drafting hENs
107	So I would need the "standard" checklist in the meantime before the specific CPR check list will be available?	In the case of the construction sector, the horizontal checklist does not apply. You need to wait for the construction checklist on hENs to be finalised.
108	All CEN standards are full of clauses indicating requirements for the manufacturer. The only intention of neutrality principle is to avoid to oblige a third party verification	The current version of IR 3 includes the following: All documents containing requirements for products, processes, services, persons, systems and bodies shall be written in accordance with the "neutrality principle" such that conformity can be assessed by a manufacturer or supplier (first party) a user or purchaser (second party) or an independent body (third party). This means that we should draft requirements without saying who should be doing them. IR 3 are currently under revision so any suggestion for modification should be transferred to the members.
109	My question may have been mis-understood, I suppose reading the reply on it. The standard which includes an undated reference usually is already listed in the OJEU with transition periods for it. But when the undated referenced standard is revised this would mean an immediate applicability of the referenced standard without any transition period. That is not practicable unless you have a mechanism for it defining a transition period. Original question: ("If you state in clause 2 (as shown) that for undated references the latest revision of the standard applies: What about transition periods? No one can follow a new revision of a referenced standard immediately within one day. Is there no mechanism that establishes an adequate transition period? In the OJEU there is a regime for the complete standard not for the	Indeed this is how the system has been implemented and this is one of the reasons that the EC is insisting in dated normative references to ensure that this will not happen with the references cited in the OJEU.

	references in it."")	
110	Will CENELEC train the TC secretary, WG support and convenors on the checklist and how to draft replies to HAS assessment in the FV comments? in addition, to this webinar?	The content is rather clear but if you do have questions, do not hesitate to contact your CCMC PM contact. No specific training planned at this stage on the checklist.
111	What is the benefit for TCs of the introduction of the checklist to be provided along with the draft hEN? It looks like just another burden for the project leaders to take care for who are hard to motivate these days anyway to volunteer for harmonization work given the perceived lack of benefit vs. effort.	The checklist does not provide any additional requirement to the Technical Bodies. It's more a reminder to TB that certain horizontal aspects need to be addressed in the standard.
112	How long "shall" it take when the hEN release in OJEU, often is very late!	The answer will come in the next part of the webinar.
113	The more complex it gets, the less volunteers you will attract to REALLY work on content of standards instead of formalities. This can't be something of interest, neither for CEN /CENELEC nor for EU-COM.	Indeed – we need to convince EC that it goes too far in legalistic administration of details
114	How to assure that a standard that was developed under Vienna Agreement and that is harmonised and listed in OJ, still meets CEN requirements in case of an revision?	live answered
115	in the past, it was good practice to add ANNEX ZA as informative Annex also in the ISO document and remove this annex after FV. Is this not allowed any more?	This is still the case today for ISO parallel projects.
116	It would be beneficial to be able to update the draft after assessment but before the ballot. Currently this is not possible at Enquiry and FV stages, right?	live answered
117	Is the new checklist for harmonised standards also required for parallel EN ISO standards? Is the responsible TC obliged to prepare the checklist next to the Annex ZA?	The use of the checklist is not mandatory for harmonized standards under VA with ISO lead, but strongly recommended. When the EN ISO is being developed, it's important that the TC ensures that those elements covered by the checklist are tackled in the EN ISO document. Therefore, it's crucial to have good

		communication between ISO/TC and CEN/TC.
118	ISO - it may be difficult to impose HAS comments at ISO level and reach a consensus at international level	live answered
119	Is it possible to start with an European Amendment A1x to resolve the negative assessment and publish this as a consolidated Version when the assessment on the A11 is positive?	We need to follow the new rules under the Frankfurt Agreement. This means that the A1X can indeed be created in parallel and could follow the development of the parallel project. However, the A11 will be published as a separated document.
120	Standardization requests in our field of activity will not be ready before 2022 : in that case shall the TC stop all standardization works to wait for these requests ?	I would advise to clarify that with the European Commission officers (with the help of CCMC).
121	In VA with ISO-lead: Is it possible it to do the assessment and update the draft before DIS ballot?	Under the VA, the CEN TC can ask for a 1st WD assessment and or in line with the process the ENQ is asked prior to the start of the DIS ballot, but will not stop the launch of the DIS.
122	It is sometimes very complicated to manage to have dated references in international standards, since this can lead to not complying with the ISO Directives. Here it would be great to have the possibility of having an Annex/Information in the Foreword on which of the European Standards or which dated reference is meant, in order to not run into problems. I think this was mentioned before, but could you please provide how to cope with this issue?	Several CEN Technical Committees from different sectors have already requested a solution to minimise issues with normative references. The CEN/BT is currently discussing possible solutions. Further information will be available after the summer.
123	Concerning the neutrality principle: Please be aware that a too rigid (overly formal) interpretation of the neutrality principle is currently causing massive problems for the harmonization in the revision of standards that previously had been harmonized for 20 years with the same text without any problem. As Catherine correctly points out: If a standard requires that a manufacturer needs to carry out certain actions (during fabrication, testing,	Comment noted.

	<p>whatever) this usually has the purpose to specify the actions that have to be carried out to make a product technically compliant.</p> <p>If we now all of a sudden assume that a formulation like ""The manufacturer shall..."" intentionally circumvents the involvement of other stakeholders/3rd parties and thus potentially is in conflict with directives (which clearly is not the intention of that formulation) this will require the re-writing of a whole number of standards for purely formal reasons. Such a step would be totally unnecessary and useless.</p>	
124	<p>The introduction text to clause 2 (allowing undated references) is not changed according to the different sectors. This can be confusing if the same IR3 rules cannot apply to all sectors.!</p>	<p>Regarding the introduction text to clause 2, the rules from IR-3 must apply.</p>
125	<p>If CCMC identifies missing elements, will the responsible TC be informed or will the document simply not forwarded for citation?</p>	<p>If some elements are missing, the CCMC editor or sectoral Project Manager may contact the TC to consider them before submitting the hEN to the EC for citation.</p>
126	<p>Is the EC working on "quarterly citation"?</p>	<p>Currently, the process foresees a quarterly offering of standards for citation. There is an assessment on how to further improve this process.</p>
127	<p>The new Regulation 2019/1781 will come in force on 1st of July but there is no information about that in https://ec.europa.eu/growth/single-market/european-standards/harmonised-standards/ecodesign/electric_motors_en. When will new references updated?</p>	<p>The new Regulation 2019/1781 will come in force on 1st of July but there is no information about that in https://ec.europa.eu/growth/single-market/european-standards/harmonised-standards/ecodesign/electric_motors_en When will new references updated?</p>
128	<p>Most recent publication in OJ was in March 2021 (previous was in April 2020). So when can we expect next publication?</p>	<p>Each Directorate is responsible to prepare the new citations in the OJEU. The timing is variable but further information and latest updates are available in https://ec.europa.eu/growth/single-market/european-standards/harmonised-standards_en</p>

129	Does CEN CENELEC have a formal accessibility policy that aims to improve the accessibility of its deliverables, such as hENs in PDF, to be compliant with accessibility standards such as hEN 301 549 on the accessibility of ICT product and services.	As this is a bit out of scope of today's webinar, if you allow me I'll send you the webpage where you'll find all the relevant information and our activities related to accessibility. In addition, do not hesitate to get in contact with me for more information.
130	If there is already a standard cited in the OJEU and then on a future revision the HAS asks for large parts of the technical assessment to be removed which would result in a much reduced / weakened standard being cited, how can this be addressed ?	The TC should provide this explanation to the HAS consultant. If needed, the EC desk officer may also be contacted.
131	Regarding CPR revision, how to ensure that a new standardization request will not be issued concerning one subject while we start to work on the revision of a standard that has not been cited in the OJUE (while the previous version still is)?	Except for space heating appliances, the EC did not progress yet any SReq for construction products. At this stage, hENs need to be developed based on mandates. Issuing a new SReq might take some time due to discussions in the CPR Acquis and CPR revision.
132	Where is the check list available?	The checklist was provided to all secretaries and chairpersons of Technical Bodies. The checklist is available on CEN and CENELEC BOSS. https://boss.cen.eu/media/checklist_hens.docx https://boss.cenelec.eu/media/checklist_hens.docx
133	Quote from Nuno: The checklist for hENs for construction was prepared by CEN-CLC/BTWG 9. Has this document been aligned with EC?	The CPR checklist is under preparation. Yes, it will be submitted to the EC desk officers for feedback.
134	Again, who - in person/department - is responsible to send a draft text to be published in the OJ from CCMC to the EC?	The references are offered for citation in the OJEU and the Digital Solutions team in CCMC is responsible for the upload of the new references. There is a process which includes a formal offering of references for citation (including letters).