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## Get ready for CEN and CENELEC's June Annual Meeting 2022!

From 21 to 23 June, the CEN and CENELEC community will reunite in Prague, the capital of the Czech Republic, for the **CEN and CENELEC's Annual Meeting 2022**. The three, intense days of meetings will be the occasion to discuss key strategic, policy and technical matters related to the future of European standardization.

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## Meet young professionals in European Standardization - new episodes

To celebrate the [European Year of Youth](#), CEN and CENELEC have launched a campaign that consists of a series of interviews with young professionals active in European standardization. In the second and third episode of the series, we got to know **Lea Emmel**, from Germany, and **Kristin Fagerli**, from Norway.

- [Read the interview with Lea Emmel](#)
- [Read the interview with Kristin Fagerli](#)



## Common chargers: CEN and CENELEC are ready to work with the European Commission

By the end of 2024, USB-C chargers will become the standard charger for the most commonly used electronics in the EU after an agreement was reached between the European Parliament and the Council. CEN and CENELEC welcome this agreement and look forward to further collaboration on this matter.

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## High-level event: The key role of voluntary standards for Europe's strategic autonomy

As the French presidency of the European Union draws to a close, AFNOR is hosting a high-level conference to explore the role of standardization to achieve the EU's strategic autonomy. The conference will take place in Paris on 27 June 2022 and will see the participation of high-level representatives from the European and National Standardization Organizations, the European Commission and the industry.

[Read more and register](#)



## ASTM and CEN extended and expanded their Cooperation Agreement

CEN and ASTM International have agreed to extend and expand a Technical Cooperation Agreement from 2019 with the objective to broaden and facilitate global dialogue and coordination in specific standardization areas of mutual interest. The updated Agreement facilitates dialogue and convergence on the technical requirements of standards development, and prevents duplication of efforts.

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## **Standards for Climate: CEN and CENELEC held a workshop on nature-based solutions**

Nature-based solutions are promising tools to help reduce the impact of climate change and contribute to the EU's environmental objectives. A stakeholders' workshop organised by CEN and CENELEC on Monday 23 May explored their many challenges and opportunities and discussed how standardization can support their successful implementation.

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## **📖 CEN and CENELEC's position on the new European Innovation Agenda**

CEN and CENELEC welcome the European Commission's public consultation on the new European Innovation Agenda (EIA). The two organisations believe that standardization should be seen as a tool to reinforce European capacity to accelerate and master innovative solutions, which should be considered in the development of the new EIA.

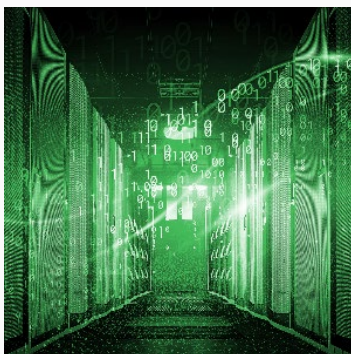
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## **📖 Response to the Commission's consultation on standard essential patents**

CEN and CENELEC welcome the European Commission's public consultation and call for evidence on standard essential patents (SEP). In relation to SEP, CEN and CENELEC relentlessly strive for a balanced approach to help ensure a reasonable return to innovators whilst allowing a fair access to the patented technology for standards users.

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## **EN in the spotlight // CLC/TS 50600-5-1 contributes to sustainable data centres**

Data centres have a notoriously high demand of resources. Therefore, it is part of the daily business of a data centre operator to optimise facilities and infrastructures in terms of energy consumption and thus improve environmental sustainability. This task will now be easier thanks to newly released **CLC/TS 50600-5-1**, the world's first technical specification of its kind.

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## Save the date: CEN and CENELEC's upcoming events and webinars

- **21-23 June 2022:** [CEN and CENELEC 2022 Annual Meeting in Prague, Czech Republic](#)
- **9 September 2022:** [Webinar 'The potential of European Standards to support the European strategy towards a Green and Sustainable Environment'](#)
- **5 October 2022:** [CEN and CENELEC workshop on Personal Protective Equipment \(PPE\) – Medical Devices \(MD\) dual use products](#)
- **6 October 2022:** [Webinar: Informative Annex ZA/ZZ for Machinery Directive](#)

👉 [You can find the full list of events here](#)

TWEET OF THE MONTH



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@Standards4EU



Welcoming the newly appointed Chief  
[#Standardization](#) Officer [@MaiveRute](#) in [@EU\\_Growth](#).  
Wishing you a strong start in your new position and  
looking forward to working together.

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*CEN and CENELEC would like to warmly welcome the appointment of the new European Commission's Chief Standardization Officer.*

*Maive Rute's extensive experience as a leader in the European Commission is sure to bring outstanding value to the European Standardization System.*

ELENA SANTIAGO CID  
Director General CEN and CENELEC

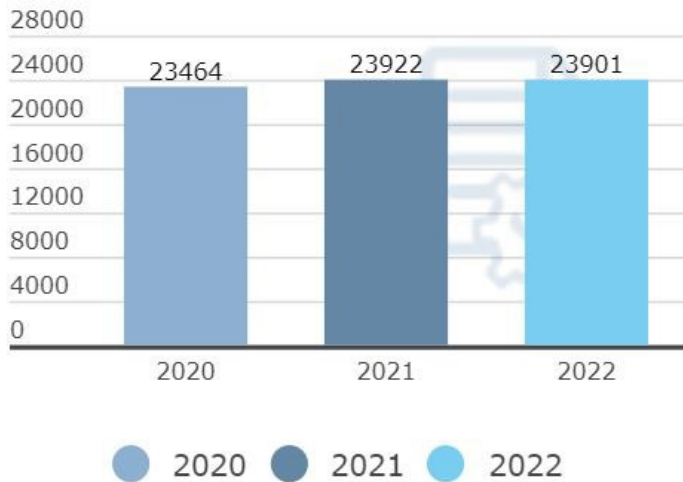


Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship & SMEs e Maive Rute

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FACTS & FIGURES

### CEN - CENELEC - Portfolio - EN/HD



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](#)
- [CENELEC Standards](#)

### CEN and CENELEC in figures

[Read our latest facts and figures](#) presenting the monthly reporting on the outcomes of CEN and CENELEC activities.

## MEMBERS



### SNV Story: The best way to learn and teach about standards is through case studies

Food is an important aspect of our lives. No surprise then that there are countless legal regulations and standards in the sector. Food Technology students come into contact with standards in their first year of study. **SNV** spoke to Dr Evelyn Kirchsteiger-Meier, a lecturer at the Zurich University of Applied Sciences (ZHAW) in Wädenswil, head of the QM and food law working group.

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## UNE is hosting a conference on the new European Standardization Strategy

The Spanish Association for Standardization, **UNE**, is organising a Conference on the New European Standardization Strategy, that will be held on 8 July at 10:00h in Madrid, in hybrid format. The event will be attended by Raül Blanco, Secretary General for Industry and SMEs of the Ministry of Tourism, Industry and Trade (MINCOTUR) and Elena Santiago, Director General of CEN and CENELEC.

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## UNI has a new magazine: STANDARD

STANDARD is **UNI**'s new magazine dedicated to the world of technical standards that improve our lives. Circular and collaborative economy, innovation and digitalisation, processes and values... A modern magazine, available to everyone in electronic format, browsable and accessible, that deals with the most relevant topics of technical standardization, with a careful look at the new scenarios for business, institutions, society.

[Read the first issue of STANDARD \(in Italian\)](#)

## PARTNERS



## ANEC welcomes the final agreement reached on common chargers

**ANEC** applauds the final agreement on the common charger for mobile phones and other devices reached among the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission. The USB Type-C port will be mandatory for portable devices, and harmonisation of wireless charging will be achieved in the future. The agreement reflects ANEC's position on common chargers.

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## Read **ECOS'** new factsheet on plastic fishing gear

Marine plastic litter is a major global problem. Nowadays, chemically treated plastics and metals have replaced these natural solutions used for fishing gear. This puts our oceans at great risk. **ECOS** has published a new factsheet to inform on the issue and on the actions they are taking to address it.

[Read more](#)



## ETUC's position on the draft standardization request in support of safe and trustworthy AI

The Commission issued on 20 May a draft standardization request in support of safe and trustworthy Artificial Intelligence. CEN and CENELEC have set up the 'Standardization Request Ad Hoc Group (SRAHG) on AI' to steer the preparatory work associated with the request. The **ETUC**, as a member of the group, prepared comments on the draft request.

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