

The CENELEC and CEN Technical Boards met respectively on 26/27 and 27/28 September 2017 in Dublin. The back-to-back set up allowed for a common session – the fourth of this kind - during which topics of shared interest were debated. We're pleased to report on the main outcomes of cross-cutting nature.

COMMON CEN-CENELEC MATTERS



Unique Acceptance Procedure (UAP)

Decision: BT 47/2017 (CEN) and D157/039 (CENELEC), applicable from: 2017-09-27

BTs decided to delete the UAP track and set a transition period running until 31 October 2017. Application of the new decision means that there still will be UAPs launched after 31 October 2017, but only for specific cases, until the procedure entirely disappears.

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Requests for A-deviations, SNCs and Annexes ZA/ZZ

Decision: BT 43/2017 (CEN) and D157/035 (CENELEC), applicable from: 2017-09-27

Requests for, or modifications to, A-deviations, SNCs and Annexes ZA made after the standard has been voted upon or published, require BT approval (after TC advice with the support of the relevant WG Convenor).

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Annual Union Work Programme for European Standardization for 2018

The European Commission published the final [Annual Work Programme for European Standardization for 2018](#). CCMC analysis of this document and the associated priority topics, accompanied by a call for action at the national level, was distributed to BTs on 2017-10-11 as BT N 10938 and BT158/DG10716/INF.

A public website that contains guidance and reference documents in support of standardization work in CEN – the [CEN Business Operations Support System – CEN BOSS](#) – has existed for a number of years. As of beginning of December 2017, CENELEC will also have its own BOSS. It will include guidance on rules and processes specific to CENELEC.



Work programme in response to Standardization Requests

Decision: BT 46/2017 (CEN) and D157/038 (CENELEC), applicable from: 2017-09-27

Work Programmes required by the European Commission in response to Standardization Requests shall be submitted to BT for information only, unless a formal BT decision is required (e.g. creation of associated NWIs).

Deliverables developed by disbanded Technical Bodies

Decision: BT 45/2017 (CEN) and D157/037 (CENELEC), applicable from: 2017-09-27

CCMC is asked to investigate with the existing Technical Bodies (TBs) if any of them is in position to take over deliverables developed by disbanded TBs. Where no TB is found, BTs will remain fully responsible for the maintenance of those deliverables. Additionally, whenever a NSB/NC proposes to disband a TB, it shall also make a proposal for allocation of the portfolio of existing deliverables to an active TB (if identified).



Modified rules regarding the Appeal mechanism

Decision: BT 52/2017 (CEN) and D157/044 (CENELEC), applicable from: 2017-09-27

Provisions in IR2 clause 7 'Appeal mechanism' have been modified and will appear in the 2018 edition of the document. The aim of the modifications is to clarify roles/responsibilities as well as rights and obligations associated to the Appeal mechanism. A Guidance document will appear in CEN BOSS and CENELEC BOSS in the upcoming weeks.

Creation of Joint Technical Committees

Decision: BT 49/2017 (CEN) and D157/041 (CENELEC), applicable from: 2017-09-27

Rules regarding the creation of new Joint CEN-CENELEC TCs were modified and are as follows:

- All proposals will be submitted to BTs for 12 weeks consultation by correspondence;
- voting according to IR2 clause 6.1.4 in CEN and a synchronized 12-week BT consultation in CENELEC;
- in addition to positive vote, commitment of at least five countries is required;
- leadership over each Work Item shall be allocated to either CEN or CENELEC;



Additionally, all CEN-CLC/TC shall be renamed into CEN-CLC/JTC.



Normative References

Decision: BT 44/2017 (CEN) and D157/036 (CENELEC), applicable from 2017-09-27

BTs established a Task Group under the auspices of CEN-CENELEC JWG 'Rules & Processes', to define a process for dating of normative references in candidates harmonized standards to de-block the current non-citation of standards by the European Commission. Concrete proposals are expected ahead of next BT meetings in February 2018.

BTs way of working - Consequence of disagreement during consultation by correspondence on common topics

Decision: BT 48/2017 (CEN) and D157/040 (CENELEC), applicable from 2017-09-27

A mechanism was established to handle BT consultations by correspondence on common topics to ensure that in cases of divergent voting outcomes at CEN and CENELEC BTs a timely solution can be found with CCMC support. The current voting behaviours will be maintained. NSB/NCs from one country are encouraged to find an aligned national position for CEN and CENELEC during common consultations.



Consolidation of CEN and CENELEC Deliverables

Decision: BT 56/2017 (CEN) and CLC/BT D157/048 (CENELEC), applicable from: 2017-09-27

Given the need of having a full view of the content of any (draft) European Standard adopting International Standards, BTs invited the CEN-CLC-ETSI JWG R&P to study a possibility of introducing a centralized consolidation process of European Standards adopting International Standards.

Harmonized Standards

- New guidance
- Action Plan for citation of harmonised standards in OJEU
- New Approach Consultants (NACs)

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Naming of ENs based on ISO(IEC)/SDO documents

Decision: BT 64/2017 (CEN) and D157/057 (CENELEC), applicable from: 2017-09-27

In case of identical adoption of ISO and IEC standards developed together with a third SDO (e.g. ASTM, SAE, CIE), CEN and CENELEC will add EN



before the international designation (e.g. 'EN ISO ASTM' or 'EN IEC CIE'). A similar approach is to be applied to other international deliverables identically adopted at European level.

CEN and CENELEC partnership with oneM2M

oneM2M is a partnership of 8 ICT standards development organizations, including ETSI, with over 200 members who are predominantly telecom and ICT equipment/service providers. CEN and CENELEC joined oneM2M in 2016 to get a better understanding of the oneM2M community, its activities and the potential opportunities for industry stakeholders.

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New BT Chairpersons

BTs thanked Ms Gudrun Rognvaldardottir and Mr Maurice Buckley for their valuable contribution as, respectively, CEN and CENELEC BT Chairpersons.

As of 1 January 2018 Mr Ruggero Lensi and Mr Javier Garcia Diaz will be Vice Presidents Technical and BT Chairs for, respectively, CEN and CENELEC.

CEN-ONLY MATTERS

Creation of new CEN Technical Committees

Decision: BT 65/2017, applicable from: 2017-09-28

Rules for creation of new CEN Technical Committees were modified and are as follows:

- each proposal for a new TC is submitted to BT for 12 weeks-long consultation by correspondence;
- voting according to IR2 clause 6.1.4 (weighted voting);
- next to positive voting results, commitment of at least 5 NSBs is required to create a new TC.



CIB – Automatically calculated result

Decision: BT 67/2017, applicable from: 2017-09-28

BT agreed to the introduction of automatic calculation of results of CIBs and to the modifications of ballot templates "Adoption of a New Work Item", "Adoption of a Preliminary Work Item" and "Activation of PWI" by replacing the term "European Standard" by "proposed CEN deliverable". CCMC will implement those changes in the upcoming weeks.

CENELEC-ONLY MATTERS

Voting during Standard development process

Decision: D157/013, applicable from 2017-09-27

NCs are recommended to vote negatively on a draft standard (at Enquiry stage), if they absolutely require a technical comment to be taken into account in the development of the standard.



Dating of Normative References

Decision: D157/019

CCMC was asked to complete EN IEC standards with dated normative references in Annex ZA, under the current process of TC proofing.

Proofing period

Decision: D157/016

In order to diminish the number of standard blocked between positive vote and publication CCMC shall send a proofing request containing the sentence: "In case of no response, we shall assume that you agree to the immediate publication" to the TC Secretary and secretariat. At the end of the proofing period, CCMC shall inform the TC Secretary and secretariat that it will proceed with the publication.



Reminders/actions for Members

BTs invited the NSBs/NCs:



- to nominate representatives and provide their national codes of conduct to Karl Grün (ASI) for consideration by the Ad-hoc group on 'Code of Conduct for Expert participating in CEN-CENELEC work' (BT 50/2017 and D157/042);
- to notify CCMC of translations in their national languages, as stated on the ENs cover page (BT 53/2017 and D157/045);
- to actively participate in the work of Normative References Task Group, reminding BT members and Permanent Delegates that they can delegate their participation to relevant NSB/NC staff or experts (BT 54/2017 and D157/046);
- to reinforce the CEN BOSS and CENELEC BOSS management teams by personal participation or by proposing relevant NSB/NC Staff (BT 058/2017 and D157/051);
- to closely follow the developments in the frame of Action Plan for Citation of European Standards to ensure that resources are allocated and relevant actions taken (BT 63/2017 and D157/056);
- to nominate experts to participate in the ad-hoc group on ESO Work repartition (BT 72/2017).

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CEN/BT/TCMG, Brussels

2018-02-06



CEN/BT Meeting, Brussels

2018-02-07

CEN & CENELEC BTs Common session, Brussels

2018-02-08

CENELEC/BT Meeting, Brussels

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