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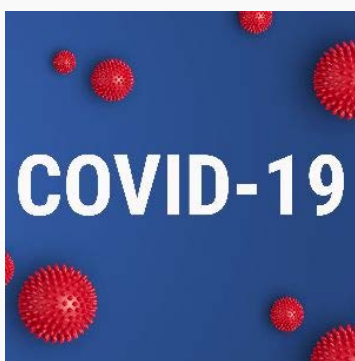
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🔊 European standards play a strategic role in the EU's recovery

CEN and CENELEC, together with their national members, welcome the **European Recovery Plan**, presented on 27 May by the European Commission, and highlight the crucial contribution that European standards play in supporting the EU's economy and the objective to 'invest in a green, digital and resilient Europe'.

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How standards help fight COVID-19: read our new FAQ!

CEN and CENELEC acknowledged the need for more information and clarity towards stakeholders on the role of standards against COVID-19, on the initiatives taken in this context and on how PPE and medical devices can access the EU market. To this end, they developed a set of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) where it is possible to find all relevant information.

[Read the FAQ](#)



Standards and the Single Market, a solution to the COVID-19 crisis?

On 26 May, Elena Santiago Cid, CEN and CENELEC's Director General, participated to the online event **"The Single Market and standardisation: Key assets in the post-COVID-19 recovery"**, organised by EPC. Mrs Santiago Cid debated with Kerstin Jorna, DG GROW's Director General, and Petra de Sutter, Chair of the European Parliament IMCO's Committee, on the role of the Single Market and standardization in Europe's recovery.

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Ensuring business continuity in standardization

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, CEN and CENELEC, taking health and safety matters very seriously while aiming at providing certainty and supporting business continuity in standardization activities, have decided to hold all CEN and CENELEC technical and governing meetings online. These measures are in line with ISO, IEC as well as with CEN and CENELEC Administrative Boards decisions.

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New publication "Standardization in a Circular Economy"

CEN and CENELEC are supporting the European Industry in the transition to a fully functioning Circular Economy. The brochure "Standardization in a Circular Economy – Closing the Loop", recently published, shows how European standards play a role in fostering the transition to the circular economy, focussing on two specific sectors: plastics and batteries.

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A new system of assessment makes the transport of dangerous goods safer

The international transport of dangerous goods is a keystone for numerous sectors such as chemistry, energy, medical equipment or transport. Because of the importance of safety specifications, standardization is a crucial tool. CEN and CENELEC are happy to announce that a new system of assessment for standards regarding the transport of dangerous goods is now on track.

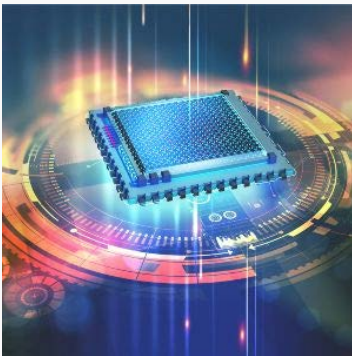
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Work on a new CEN deliverable on urban ITS in Europe has started

In May 2020, the new project EU-ICIP was launched to develop a horizontal CEN deliverable aiming to inform and advise about the existing large set of standards in the field of ITS. A newly constituted team of ten experts will develop a document providing insights on how and in which combinations to use existing standards and offering a basis for interoperability for ITS in Europe.

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New Focus Group on Quantum Technologies' kick-off meeting

The newly-established [CEN and CENELEC Focus Group on Quantum Technologies \(QT\)](#) will hold its kick-off meeting online on 18 June. The aim of the Focus Group is to ensure the interaction between stakeholders interested in identifying standardization needs in the field of Quantum Technologies and recommend further actions to ensure that standards support the deployment of such technologies.

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EN in the spotlight // New EN 17399:2020 on algae and algae products

To meet the needs of the fast-growing and high-potential algae industry, CEN developed EN 17399:2020 'Algae and algae products - Terms and definitions', the first European standard dedicated to the sector. It is a very important first step for the algae sector to grow, develop and professionalise.

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Save the date: CEN and CENELEC webinars

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, all physical events organised by CEN and CENELEC are currently postponed. Nevertheless, this does not mean that all activities are suspended: simply, they are moved **online**. The CEN-CENELEC Management Centre is offering a series of online **webinars**, providing information and training sessions on various aspects of European Standardization.

[You can find the full list of webinars \(and subscribe\) here](#)

TWEET OF THE MONTH



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Standards Outlook

The voice of BSI



BSI published the new issue of Standards Outlook

The fourth issue of **Standards Outlook** is now live. This issue focuses on how standards can help create a pathway towards achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Some of the topics included in the issue:

- Industry decarbonization and the circular economy
- Sustainable agriculture, biodiversity and climate change
- Smart cities and communities
- Diversity, inclusion and equality

[Read the full issue](#)



ISS' new website and series of webinars

The Institute for Standardization of Serbia (ISS) continuously works on improving its business in order to meet its users' needs. For this reason, after 10 years since launching the old website and after gathering users' suggestions and significant experiences of related organisations, as of 4 May 2020 ISS has a [brand new, redesigned website](#).

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30 years of Lithuanian Standards Board

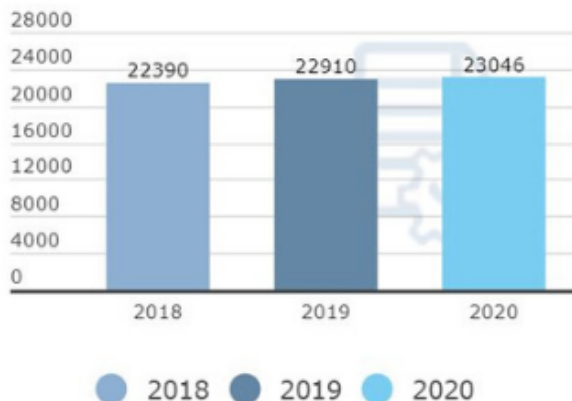
On 25 April, Lithuanian Standards Board (LST) celebrated its 30th Anniversary - under extraordinary circumstances, given the restrictions due to the coronavirus crisis. LST was one of the first Lithuanian national institutions, set up after the Independence of Lithuania to create an independent standardization system corresponding to the European and international standardization principles.

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FACTS & FIGURES

CEN and CENELEC's portfolio of standards

Total number of ENs & HDs available in the CEN & CENELEC collection at the end of the last month covered by these statistics.



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 quarterly reporting on the outcomes of CEN and CENELEC activities.

PARTNERS



ANEC launched a new Project Team on smart transport

The development of networks that can underpin the EU's goal of sustainable and safe transport for all is an element that will be of special focus in the economic and societal recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. To facilitate and support the process of consumer involvement in this field, **ANEC** is establishing a new Project Team under the umbrella of its Traffic & Mobility WG.

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ECOS published a new paper on standards in the time of the EU Green Deal

In order to support the implementation of the expected legislative and policy initiatives under the Circular Economy Action Plan, robust and reliable methods will need to be used. **ECOS'** new paper shows that the standardization system has the potential to offer those services in a wide range of sectors, as long as the methods delivered are appropriate and come in a timely manner.

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ETUC contributes to the development of two European standards

The **ETUC** (European Trade Union Confederation) welcomes the recent adoption of two European standards: EN 17371-1, which sets out the guidelines for 'the assessment of the capacity of service providers and the evaluation of service proposals' in the framework of procurement, and EN 17398 on 'Patient involvement in healthcare - Minimum requirements for person-centred care'.

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EU Cybersecurity Act: SBS calls for certification schemes to consider SMEs

The EU Cybersecurity Act seeks to enable the use of cybersecurity solutions by, among other actions, introducing a harmonised framework for cybersecurity certification. SBS welcomes this proposal provided that this framework considers the essential role of SMEs and therefore the need to develop cybersecurity standards that are compatible with them. This is one of the main messages of SBS' newly-released position paper.

[Read the full position paper](#)



EFWA's support to CEN CENELEC in Window Films Standardization

EWFA (the European Window Film Association), which celebrates this year its 20th anniversary, represents the interests of the window film industry, bringing together manufacturers and distributors with the purpose of promoting window film products in Europe. As a new CEN and CENELEC liaison organisation, EWFA will support current work on window film standardization handled by CEN/TC 129/WG18 'Filmed Glass'.

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