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🌐 World Standards Day 2020: Standards are essential to protect the planet

Today, 14 October 2020, CEN, CENELEC and ETSI, the three official European Standardization Organizations, join the international standardization community in celebrating **World Standards Day.** By focusing on the environment, this year's edition aims to raise awareness on the potential of standards to help tackle the climate crisis.

Read the official press release

Horizon Europe: opportunities for the standardization system

The new European Framework Programme for Research and Innovation – *Horizon Europe* – will be launched at the beginning of 2021. *Horizon Europe* will drive most of the European efforts in research and innovation (R&I) during the next years with the aim to support the uptake of innovative solutions in industry and society to address global challenges.

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Standards are key to Europe's recovery: CEN and CENELEC's op-ed on Euractiv

The COVID-19 outbreak has wreaked unprecedented havoc on the EU's economy and society. To mitigate its damaging effects, a collective effort is needed to provide innovative, long-term solutions. In this context, European Standards (ENs) have proven to be an effective tool to power Europe's recovery, argue CEN and CENELEC on a recent op-ed written for *Euractiv*'s website.

Read the article

Standards for the Green Deal: successful workshop organised by the German Presidency of the EU Council

On 16 September, CEN and CENELEC officers participated to the virtual workshop **"Empowering European Standardisation for a Successful Green Deal"**, organised in the framework of the German Presidency of the EU Council. The event saw the participation of European Commissioner Thierry Breton, together with a series of other high level speakers.

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Faces of Standardization: read the interviews to SESEI and SESEC

As part of the 60 years' anniversary celebrations, CEN and CENELEC have launched the project 'Faces of standardization': a series of monthly interviews to showcase the human aspect of standardization.
In September, we interviewed **Betty Xu,** SESEC, and **Dinesh Chand Sharma**, SESEI, to know more about the international activities of European standardization.

Read the interviews

India's Trade: a snapshot from India

There is no market that, over the next 20 years, offers more growth opportunities than India. The drivers of Indian growth are deeply structural, which suggests they are also sustainable. *India's Trade*, a report produced by SESEI, provides a snapshot of India's key trading partners; shows how India has managed the COVID-19 pandemic; and highlights the key market access policies by the Government of India.

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Enabling Africa's Quality Infrastructure Framework to be safe, sustainable and fair

Task Force Africa learned the current state of play of quality infrastructure implementation from the Chair of the Pan African Quality Infrastructure (PAQI). January 2021 will see the implementation of the African Continental Free Trade Agreement (AfCFTA). The recent *PAQI Stock Taking Report* highlights the additional needs for Africa to truly achieve a functioning internal market.

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"Standards – Driving Europe's Economic Recovery": CEN and CENELEC's Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue

A collective effort is needed to realise the full strategic potential of standardization as an instrumental tool to strengthen the Single Market. In this context, CEN and CENELEC will hold an online Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue on their Draft Strategy 2030 next **19 October 2020,** from 10 to 11.45 a.m.

Read more and subscribe

New freely available CEN-ISO guidelines on the usage of Cooperative ITS standards

C-ITS is a subcategory of the overall ITS which includes instruments that communicate and share information between ITS Stations with the objective of improving safety, sustainability, efficiency and comfort beyond the scope of stand-alone ITS. CEN and ISO just published online a freely available brochure on the topic, providing up-to-date information on global standardization in

the domain of Intelligent Transport Systems.

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EN in the spotlight // EN IEC 62645:2020 protects the cybersecurity of nuclear power plants

IT equipment has been widely implemented in nuclear power plants to perform operational and safety functions. Therefore, the protection of nuclear power plants against cybersecurity threats is of particular importance. Recently published **EN IEC 62645:2020** focuses on the issue of preventing and/or minimising the impact of attacks against computer-based systems on nuclear safety and plant performance.

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

- **15 October 2020:** Webinar for standard drafters: "Drafting for XML: Formulae and equations"
- **19 October 2020:** Standards – Driving Europe's Economic Recovery
- **27 October 2020:** Artificial Intelligence in healthcare: paving the way with standardization
- **16 November 2020:** 2020 European Workshop on Pressure Equipment Standardization
- **19 November 2020:** Webinar for Standard Drafters: "Drafting for XML - Recap of the webinar series and refreshment of the Internal Regulations Part 3"
- **1 December 2020:** Webinar: European standards addressing material efficiency aspects

☞ You can find the full list of events here

10-10 webinars

- **10 November 2020:** Digital Transformation and DITSAG (Digital and IT Strategic Advisory Group)
- **10 December 2020:** Standardization requests – State of play

🗓 The full agenda of 10-10 webinars for 2020 is available here

TWEET OF THE MONTH

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How do standards complement EU legislation to ensure product safety? Read the CEN-CENELEC position paper on the intended revision of the General Product Safety Directive (2001/95/EC)📰
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#GPSD #safety @Claire_Bxl @CathVigneron @EU_Commission @EU_Growth

The New Consumer Agenda

The European Commission is preparing a new consumer strategy to update the overall strategic framework of the EU consumer policy in order to:

- tackle the new challenges brought by digitalisation and the rising importance of environmental issues
- protect vulnerable consumers in the new economic realities brought by the COVID-19 crisis and the plans for a post-COVID recovery
- address the growing importance of international cooperation and effective enforcement in ensuring consumer rights.

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FACTS & FIGURES

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2018: 22390
2019: 22910
2020: 23299

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.

ASI opened the exhibition "100 Years of Austrian Standards – Shaping the Future"

ASI President Walter Barfuß, Director Elisabeth Stampfl-Blaha, Michael Mondria of Ars Electronica and Austrian Economic Minister Margarete Schramböck opened the exhibition "100 Years of Austrian Standards – Shaping the Future" on 23 September. The show provides insights into the world of standardization and demonstrates why everything fits together perfectly in everyday life.

Read more

Visit the website of the exhibition

ILNAS and the University of Luxembourg launched a new research project on standardization for "Smart ICT"

ILNAS and the University of Luxembourg have established a partnership with the common objective to contribute to the development of Luxembourg as a European center of excellence and innovation for the security, reliability and confidence of systems and services in "Smart" type ICT technologies (Big Data, Internet of Things, Cloud Computing).
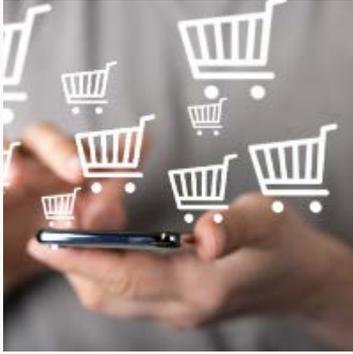
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PKN awarded the 2020 edition of the Standardization Compass

PKN, the Polish National Standardization Body, has been awarding the "Standardization Compass" since 2015. This year, on 25 September, the "Standardization Compass" was awarded to Mr Iwo Jakubowski and the Łukasiewicz Research Network - Institute for Engineering of Polymer Materials and Dyes.

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ANEC highlighted consumer needs at SBS Annual Conference

On 29 September, SBS held its annual conference online "How can standards support SMEs to benefit from the data economy?", putting standards in the spotlight as regards the role they play in supporting SMEs to benefit from the data economy. **ANEC**'s Digital Society Working Group Chair John Ketchell was a speaker at the second panel: "How to ensure cybersecurity without jeopardising the data economy?".

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ECOS published two new reports on greener construction products and standards for a greener industry

Construction products, cement and steel are a fundamental element of our economy. However, they also have a major environmental impact. **ECOS** dedicated to this issue two recent papers, *From Barrier to Enabler – Towards A Greener EU Construction Products Policy* and *Building Our Green Future Standards To Support Decarbonising Energy-Intensive Industries.*

Read the Construction products report
Read the Decarbonising industry report

The ETUC welcomes the CEN and CENELEC Roadmap on AI

The **ETUC** welcomes the *CEN and CENELEC Roadmap for A*I and is happy to have contributed to its development. The organization further agrees with the list of themes for European Standardization identified by the CEN-CENELEC Focus Group Artificial Intelligence, and concur with the recommendation to set up a dedicated CEN-CENELEC group to address European AI standardization.

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SBS launched an SME compatibility test for standards

Small Business Standards (**SBS**), the association representing European small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in standardisation, is launching today the SME Compatibility Test for Standards. The online test, accessible from SBS website, can be used by any standard maker who wish to assess the SME-compatibility of a standard.

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The socio-economic impact of AI in healthcare: new report by MedTech Europe

MedTech Europe has asked Deloitte to calculate the socio-economic impact of AI in healthcare, and Deloitte did the research and came up with impressive results. The report will be presented in a free, public, online launch event with representatives from the Commission, the European Parliament, patients, authorities and the research community, on 26 October 2020 at 11.00-12.30.

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