

Webinar of 2022-06-02

Webinar 'CEN and CENELEC Journey towards the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)'

Questions & Answers

1	<p>If all 17 SDGs should be considered during the standardization process it will become very difficult to comply with the given timeframe of 3 years for developing or revising standards.</p>	<p>You don't need to consider all the SDGs in each standard. The idea is to reflect to which SDG do the current standards contribute.</p>
2	<p>The toolbox seems to be very useful! But will there be some kind of review process to verify that the toolbox really has been used to determine if a standard supports one or several SDGs? Otherwise, there is a risk that ANY standard that has something to do with water, industry, or health will be listed to support the respective SDGs, regardless of its actual content or scope.</p>	<p>This is a key issue. I assume that CCMC will revise and assess the results after a period of time. We are doing that in Spain, but it is still soon to have clear conclusions. However, this is a ongoing activity, so you can expect an evolution...</p>
3	<p>Sometimes it is difficult to identify the SDG, for example standard on conception of machinery.</p>	<p>Fully agree. I think that taking a look at the targets might be helpful, because the explanation is more clear.</p>
4	<p>I am not sure if it makes sense to identify an SDG related to a standard. If you know the SDGs, you also know that you may well fulfil an SDG to which a special standard. Nevertheless, it may at the same time have a strong negative impact on another SDG, to this approach is very dangerous.</p>	<p>I don't know about any standard having a negative impact in an SDG, but I will be very happy to know about examples, because we might need to revise and change our approach.</p>
5	<p>When dealing with machinery for agriculture, it is very wide :)</p>	<p>Indeed. The standards in this field may include energy efficiency methods, CO2 emissions, technologies for smart farming; etc. that may support SDG 12 related to responsible consumption and production or SDG 7 Clean energy. We invite you to look at the targets and indicators for the goals, as summarized in the SDG toolbox for more information. If you need support, please contact your CCMC PM.</p>

6	I find the toolbox very useful. A justification explaining how and why a standard responds to the SDG sub target is very useful and should be included in all NWIP.	There is a justification box (optional field) for those who wish to provide rationale on how their project supports the selected SDG(s) in the NWI form.
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