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Decisions from 104th CEN/BT & 180th CLC/BT

Since the last issue of the BT Newsletter in March 2025, CEN and CENELEC BTs have held back-to-back meetings from 3 to 5 June 2025.

We are pleased to report here on the main outcomes of crosscutting nature discussions resulting from those meetings, as well as on the latest decisions of transversal nature taken by correspondence (**until 5 June 2025**). For sectoral/Technical Committee specific matters please contact your sectoral Project Manager.

Best regards

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Rules, Processes and Operational matters

Strategy-oriented and future-proof standardization

The timely development and delivery of high-quality standards in strategic areas linked to legislation—particularly in domains such as digital—is becoming increasingly critical in light of the current political landscape and ongoing discussions on the revision of Regulation (EU) 1025/2012.

In response to these evolving needs, the Technical Boards (BTs) have established a **CEN-CENELEC Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) 'Strategic Standardization Topics Linked to EU Legislation'** (CEN-CLC/SAG STEL), chaired by the CEN Vice-President Technical. The SAG is composed exclusively of BT Permanent Delegates and representatives of the Boards.

Decision ref: *CEN/BT C104/2025 & CLC/BT D181/C001, applicable from 2025-05-28*

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To complement the approach, and in response to a specific request from the Boards, a specific **Task Group (TG) 'Future-proof standardization process and deliverables'** within CEN-CLC/TGG 1 'Operational Excellence' has been set up, chaired by the CENELEC Vice-President Technical. The TG has started work on improving the standard-making process in order to enhance responsiveness to faster innovation cycles in emerging technologies.

While CEN-CLC/SAG STEL focuses on strategic and cross-cutting aspects, the TGG 1 Task Group has been mandated to look into the operational tools and mechanisms and propose solutions to respond effectively and flexibly to evolving stakeholder needs and regulatory demands.

At their June meeting, the BTs endorsed a first series of measures recommended by the TG aiming at saving time when developing homegrown standards while using existing structures and tools, with some adjustment. The full implementation of those measures is subject to the adaptation of IT tools.

The Technical bodies will be informed in due time, with guidance material and trainings in support.

Decision ref: *CEN/BT 024/2025 & CLC/BT D180/001, applicable from 2025-06-03*

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SMART Standards

The SMART Standards long-run initiative aims at developing machine-readable standards to make them more user-friendly, structured, and efficient. The objective is to help users integrate standards directly into their systems, reducing errors and saving time. The project focuses on the digital processing of standards content, with structured tagging of requirements, permissions, and examples. It has effectively started since January 2025, with a few Work Items onboarded and without significant issues encountered so far.

The BTs, who already had approved the proposed business rules and development process for homegrown ENs (CEN/BT 061/2024 – CLC/BT D178/035), have agreed to expand the SMART project to CWAs and TSs.

Decision ref: CEN/BT 042/2025 & CLC/BT D180/011, applicable from 2025-06-04

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TC representatives and experts in COGs and SAGs

The BTs have clarified the process for the appointment and registration of **TC representatives** in COGs and SAGs:

- The TC appoints *one* representative to the COG or SAG through a TC decision
- The TC Secretary sends the TC decision to the COG or SAG Secretary
- The COG or SAG Secretary accepts it in line with the ToR and communicates to CCMC (dataservice@cencenelec.eu)
- CCMC provides access to the TC representative via GD (CEN) or EMS (CENELEC)

Furthermore, the BTs have confirmed that **experts** can be invited to attend specific meetings/topics on a case-by-case basis by the COG or SAG Chair.

Decision ref: CEN/BT 029/2025 & CLC/BT D180/006, applicable from 2025-06-03

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New Bodies set up by BTs

CLC/COG 'Offshore Wind'

The CLC/BT has set up CLC/COG 'Offshore Wind' for a duration of 18 months, notably to deliver a specific task in the frame of a project funded by the EC ('Offshore wind energy standardization'), i.e. conduct pre-normative work to detect key aspects that would need to be amended to be fully applicable for offshore wind energy generation systems, identifying the main European standardization needs and existing barriers, along with a proposal to implement relevant solutions. The secretariat has been allocated to UNE.

Decision ref: CLC/BT D180/C041, applicable from 2025-05-14

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CLC/SR 131 'Rotating electrical machines for the traction of road vehicles'

The CLC/BT has approved the creation of CLC/SR 131 'Rotating electrical machines for the traction of road vehicles' to mirror the activities of IEC/PC 131, and allocated the secretariat to ÖVE.

Decision ref: CLC/BT D180/C036, applicable from 2025-04-30

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New Standardization Requests

Before being formally sent to the ESOs, a Standardization Request is submitted for vote to the Committee on Standards (CoS) set up under [Regulation \(EU\) 1025/2012](#). If approved, the Standardization Request will be offered to the ESOs without any change in its content.

The BTs are systematically presented for vote those Standardization Requests that received a positive opinion by the CoS, together with an analysis of their content. The BT outcome is reflected in the CEN and/or CENELEC's reply communicated to the EC upon receipt of the final Standardization Request.

Since the last BT newsletter, the following Standardization Request have been approved by the BTs (via weighted vote - IR2 clause 6.4.4):

- Amendment 1 to SReq on **Ozone precursors**

This Amendment modifies SReq **M/561**, already accepted by CEN, extending the timeframe to develop the requested standards in support of Directive 2008/50/EC. Those are developed by CEN/TC 264 'Air quality'.

Final SReq [C(2025) 3164] issued by the EC on 2025-06-03

Decision ref: CEN/BT 2025/C082, applicable from 2025-05-07

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- SReq on **EU Trusted Data Framework**

The work framed by the expected SReq will support of the EU Data Act - Regulation (EU) 2023/2854-, which sets out essential requirements for data interoperability, data sharing mechanisms and services, and the development of common European data spaces.

The SReq foresees the development of 7 European standardization deliverables (EN and TS) that will set the rules on fair access to, and use of, data laid down by the EU Data Act, to ensure fairness in the allocation of value derived from data among participants in the data economy.

The work in CEN and CENELEC has been allocated to CEN-CLC/JTC 25 'Data management, Dataspaces, Cloud and Edge'.

Decision ref: CEN/BT 2025/C090 & CLC/BT D180/C043, applicable from 2025-05-14

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Next CEN and CENELEC BT meetings

2025-10-14 to 2025-10-16 (Brussels):
105th CEN/BT and 181st CLC/BT

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