

## 4<sup>th</sup> Webinar for Standard Drafters - 2016-09-23

## New 2016 improvements to the enquiry and formal vote procedure

## <u>Finalization stage of European Standards – What a TC Secretary needs to</u> <u>know!</u>

## **Questions and answers**

| Questions asked by the Attendee(s)  | Answers from the Presenter  |
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| Can we have a second formal vote in case of a negative assessment even if we are still under the previous rules ? | In the decision's background document, approved by the<br>Technical Boards, it states: "Comments of the consultant(s) which<br>could lead to a negative assessment shall be addressed and<br>resolved during comments resolution after enquiry. If, despite all<br>efforts, a consultant provides a negative assessment during formal<br>vote, CCMC, the consultant as well as the TC and WG leadership<br>examine (during formal vote period) which follow-up actions are<br>required. The TC Secretary shall inform the TC about the outcome<br>of this examination." |
|   | A second Formal Vote is possible, however a BT decision will be needed in cases where the $1^{st}$ Formal Vote results are positive and the TC wishes to return to a $2^{nd}$ Formal Vote.  |
| How to send final draft without formal vote to CCMC ? By<br>e-trans or other address ?                            | In CEN, the TC has to inform CCMC by posting a Transmission<br>Notice only onto eTrans into folder 3.1.5. Upon receipt CCMC will<br>start the finalization of the publication. In CENELEC, currently only<br>Enquiries having received 100% approval will skip the Formal<br>Vote. CCMC will start the finalization of the publication once the<br>Enquiry results are released, no action is needed from the side of<br>the TC.  |
| What about parallel documents with ISO lead, will 8 moths still apply to deliver the enquiry                      | No, this only concerns home-grown European ENs. There is no change to the delivery timeframes that ISO/CS have in place for parallel work items.  |
| Does the consultant assessment begin on the first day of the formal vote stage?                                   | CCMC will request the assessment from the Consultants one day following the launch of the Formal Vote.  |
| Can you proceed after ENQ stage to FV stage without a CRM (comments resolution meeting)                           | It is best to discuss the comments within the TC/WG following the closure of the Enquiry. By doing this those involved in the project can then reach consensus on how to implement the comments received and therefore produce a draft for Formal Vote that is agreed by all WG participants involved.  |
| Does mean "translators" DIN and AFNOR?  | In CEN the translators are AFNOR, BSI and DIN. In CENELEC the translators are AFNOR and DKE.  |
| Does the new workflow also affect the translation of the prEN documents?  | There are no changes to the translation at Enquiry stage.   |



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| all these changes are applicable also for revisions of existing standards?   | Yes, they cover all EN projects.   |
| "Is it possible to skip the FV, even when technical comments were received during the enquiry, knowing these will not be incorporated in the final version. (after considering the comments received)                              | Yes, if the TC/WG believe that it is not necessary to implement the technical comments received during the Enquiry, and instead shelve them for the next amendment or revision.  |
| TCs are obliged to circulate a 1st WD in the TC that is to say<br>to make it available as TC document onto the livelink<br>platform, is it right?  | Yes, although the decision does not stipulate how this is to be done. The new requirement is that at least 1 WD is circulated to the TC.   |
| what happens to the consultant assessment if the FV is skipped?  | If the FV is skipped there is no further involvement of the Consultant in the development of the project. The Consultant would have already been involved at the Enquiry stage where a formal assessment is made during the Enquiry translation period.  |
| I am confused, the new process is that the CEN consultant<br>will do the assessment during FV and now you just said it<br>will be done during Enquiry?   | The Consultant is asked to formally assess the draft standard during the Enquiry translation period and during the Formal Vote.  |
| At the moment is it possible to ask for a tolerance of 9 momths after the enquiry?   | Yes, the 9 month tolerance still exists. The Technical Boards will discuss if the tolerance can be applied to extend the drafting period of the Enquiry draft from 8 to 12 months.   |
| Is the circulation of 1st WD mandatory? (case of PNWI activated and proposed to CEN Enquiry while you are at it)   | Yes, once the NWI is activated a 1 <sup>st</sup> WD has to be circulated within the TC within 4 months.  |
| could the transmission sheets which we have to complete<br>with the transmission of versions to Enq or FV be updated,<br>please? It still asks for the number of TC-decision for<br>launching the FV which is no longer necessary. | Yes, we will updated it.   |
| Has anything been changed in the proof before the publication? I can not see an alteration in the progress<br>Best wishes Carola, Secretary of CEN/TC 275  | No change here.  |
| Is it possible for the same editor from CCMC to be allocated to both the ENQ and FV editing?   | Yes, this can be arranged upon request.  |
| When does the A deviation get added/approved?  | This should be done during the drafting of the project at the early stages, before the Enquiry draft is submitted to CCMC.   |
| Has the UAP process been completely stopped?   | No it still exists in CENELEC. In CEN the Technical Board has to approve any request from a TC to follow the UAP track instead of the ENQ / FV procedure. A justification is needed for BT approval. Please contact your CCMC Programme Manager if your TC wants to follow the UAP track in CEN. |
| Is it correct that you cannot comment a German language FV in the future?  | If a German translation is available for the Formal Vote it is still possible for members to comment on it.  |