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# ON THE SPOT

Newsletter

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## **CEN and CENELEC Welcome the Institute for Standardization of Moldova as a New Member**

CEN and CENELEC welcome the Institute for Standardization of Moldova (ISM) as the newest Member of the two European Standardization Organizations. The membership has been confirmed and will enter into force in January 2027.

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## **The CEN and CENELEC Annual Report 2025 Is Now Available!**

Explore the CEN and CENELEC Annual Report 2025 to discover the key achievements, developments, and milestones that shaped our work last year.

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## **CEN and CENELEC Members Sign the Cyprus Commitment**

At their General Assemblies in Cyprus, the 43 Members of CEN and CENELEC signed the CEN and CENELEC Cyprus Commitment, reaffirming their shared ambition to guide the future evolution of the European Standardization System.

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## **Behind the Football World Cup: A World of Standards!**

Every four years, the Football World Cup captures the attention of millions of fans around the globe. As supporters prepare to cheer every goal, it is worth remembering that a range of standards helps make the tournament possible by supporting player performance, safety and a high-quality experience for spectators.

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## **Call for Nominations to the 2026 Standards+Innovation Awards Is Now Open!**

The 2026 edition of the Standards+Innovation award will be the 8th celebration of the contribution of research to standardization with a dedicated award ceremony later this year. The deadline for nominations is 20 July.

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## Edu4Standards.eu Launches the European Student's Standardization Association

The Edu4Standards.eu project, funded by Horizon Europe, has set up the first European student network around standardization, called the European Students' Standardization Association (ESSA).

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## Call for Experts for the Development of a Pan-European Certificate on Standardization

The RESSE Project – Reinforcing the European Standardization System through Education has launched a call for experts for the development of a Pan-European Certificate on Standardization. The application deadline is 6 July.

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## SME-WG and SSG Advisory Groups Participate in Annual Plenary Meetings

In the beginning of June, the CEN and CENELEC Presidential Committee Annual Plenary Meetings brought together the SME Working Group (SME-WG) and the Societal Stakeholders Group (SSG) to present ongoing initiatives and align on future priorities for inclusiveness in the European Standardization System.

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### **Eurocodes Gain Momentum as Cambodian Standard Body Signs License Agreement**

CEN and the Institute of Standards of Cambodia (ISC) signed a License Agreement in May 2026 covering the adoption of more than 50 Eurocodes. The national adoption process is expected to be completed by June 2027.

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### **The Role of Standardization in Strengthening Science Diplomacy**

The EU has taken an important step with the adoption of its first framework for science diplomacy. The framework aims to strengthen Europe's global role, promote its values, and foster more strategic and coherent international research cooperation.

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### **Don't Miss Out on the Newsletters of SESEC and SESEI**

SESEI promotes cooperation between Europe and India on standards and related policies, while SESEC is the “go-to” place for information, dialogue and cooperation between Europe and China on standards and related policies. Find the latest [SESEI](#) and [SESEC](#) newsletters here.



### **EN in the Spotlight: Europe sets a new benchmark for recyclable plastic packaging**

Plastic packaging is everywhere. From food trays to flexible pouches and protective foams, it plays a central role in modern life and supply chains. Yet despite progress in waste management and recycling technologies, one challenge remains: much of plastic packaging is still not designed to be effectively recycled.

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### **EN in the Spotlight: New Standard on Product Carbon Footprint and GHG Emissions**

In March 2026, the CENELEC Technical Committee CLC/TC 111X 'Environment' published a new standard on the quantification and communication of carbon footprint and GHG emissions reduction from electric and electronic products.

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## Policy Updates



### **CEN and CENELEC Respond to the EC's Proposal for a Cybersecurity Act 2**

The European Commission adopted its proposal for a Cybersecurity Act 2, aiming to revise the existing Cybersecurity Act of 2019. This revision responds to the significantly evolving cybersecurity threat landscape, shaped by increasing digitalization and a more complex geopolitical environment.

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## Events



Stay up-to-date on what's happening at CEN and CENELEC:

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## Social Media of the Month

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29,451 followers  
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On the occasion of the CEN and CENELEC General Assemblies, hosted by the [Cyprus Organisation for Standardisation \(CYS\)](#) under the auspices of the [Cyprus Presidency of the Council of the EU 2026](#), a High-Level Panel Discussion entitled *"European Standardisation at a Turning Point: Competitiveness, Innovation, Resilience"*, was held on 18 June 2026 in Agia Napa.

The high-level discussion highlighted that European standardization is facing a decisive moment, shaped by rapid technological change, global competition, and evolving policy priorities.

At the heart of this transformation are CEN and CENELEC, bringing together stakeholders across Europe to deliver standards that underpin the [#SingleMarket](#), innovation, and industrial competitiveness.

💡 A clear message emerged:

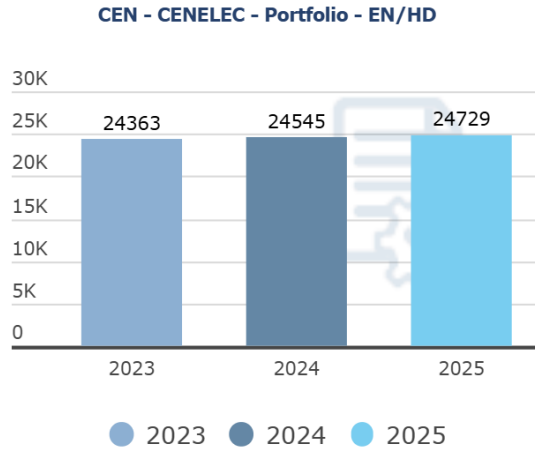
- 📌 The system must become faster, more flexible, and more responsive to market and policy needs
- 📌 While preserving its core strengths: inclusiveness, consensus, transparency and quality

European standards are more than technical tools, they are strategic enablers of resilience, supporting technical harmonisation, market surveillance, and the effective implementation of EU policies in a rapidly changing world.

👉 Discover more: <https://lnkd.in/e2AckGsv>  
[#CENCENELEC2026](#) [#CY2026EU](#)



## Facts & Figures



### Facts & Figures

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 monthly reporting on the outcomes of CEN and CENELEC activities

## Members



### Successful Hosting of the CEN and CENELEC Annual Meeting 2026 by CYS

The Cyprus Organisation for Standardisation (CYS), under the auspices of the Cyprus Presidency of the Council of the European Union 2026, successfully hosted the CEN and CENELEC Annual Meeting from 16 to 19 June 2026 in Agia Napa, Cyprus.

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### **Bringing Education and Standards Together**

As announced in the May edition of *On the Spot*, June was dedicated to Education for Standards. The Austrian Academic Standards Day was held in Graz, where Prof. Dr. Karl Grün, Deputy Managing Director of Austrian Standards International, highlighted the strategic role of standards in translating innovation into practice.

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### **The Forestry Industry and Standards**

A man. An axe. A tree. Do you recognize the picture being described? If you look at it from the standpoint of modern forestry professionals, you see one big safety hazard from top to bottom. Fortunately, standards are now indispensable within the forestry industry.

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### **What Do Wi-Fi, Card Payments and 100 Students in Iași Have in Common?**

Standards. All of them. This was the starting point of "Standards4Future Skills – Hack Your Way Into the Industry", the Academic Standards Day organized by ASRO on 28 May 2026 at the "Gheorghe Asachi" Technical University of Iași, Romania, as part of the Edu4Standards project.

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## Standards – Europe’s Strategic Infrastructure for Innovation and Competitiveness

Innovation is often associated with breakthrough technologies, disruptive business models, and visionary entrepreneurs. Yet the ability to transform an idea into a commercially successful product or service depends on something far less visible: the infrastructure that enables innovation to scale.

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## Partners



### Bulgaria Successfully Holds First-Ever Standardization Awareness Event

On 12 June 2026, the Bulgarian trade union confederation Podkrepa, in collaboration with the ETUC, organized Bulgaria’s first-ever trade union awareness event on standardization. The event highlighted how technical standards ensure safe and healthy working environments.

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### No Nature, No Future: Why Biodiversity Standards Matter

Nature is the living system that makes all economic activity possible. Businesses and governments therefore have a lot to gain from understanding how their decisions impact ecosystems. But how do we measure impacts on biodiversity? And how can we use that information to improve how we steward ecosystems?

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## Euralarm Publishes White Paper on Fire Safety in a Connected World

The European fire safety industry is at a turning point. Digitalization, remote connectivity, and cybersecurity are converging to redefine how buildings are protected and maintained. Euralarm's new White Paper on fire safety in a connected world covers integrating detection, remote services and cybersecurity.

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