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PROCEDURE IN 2009**

1. Statistics on the notifications received in 2009

In annex are the 2009 statistics on notifications of new work (i.e. first notification received from members on a specific project, whatever the stage of progress), broken down by National Standards Body. The stage of projects at which they have been processed is also indicated.

The total volume processed in 2009 was 1769, as compared to 1898 in 2008. There have been no great fluctuations in this number over the past years.

It is to be noted that, although Croatia (HZN) was not yet a CEN Member in 2009, its notifications are included in these statistics and make up 4% of the total number of notifications received.

There have been no significant increases in the number of notifications received from individual members.

The following countries have sent no notifications in 2009: Greece (ELOT), Iceland (IST), Luxembourg (ILNAS), Malta (MSA) and Portugal (IPQ).

609 of the national notifications were declared as being revisions or amendments of existing standards, i.e. 34% of the total, a stable average since 2005.

From the total volume of notifications received in 2009, 99% (similarly to 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005) have been declared by the members as purely national work, i.e. not related to European or international work.

Only one (1) notification was declared as related to international work and 10 were based on European work.

As can be seen in the annex, 28 notifications were received at a late stage during the public enquiry, giving other CEN Members little time to react on these projects and, in some exceptional cases, after publication. It should be noted that this is a significant improvement as compared to 110 late notifications in 2008.

The main subsectors in which projects were notified in 2009 were the following:

		<u>Number</u>
B02	Building and construction – Structures	183
C01	Food products	70
B99	Building and construction – Undetermined	66
I18	Mining	61
B01	Building and construction – Fire protection	54
B26	Road Building and Maintenance	44
N99	Non-metallic materials - Undetermined	42
T02	Aerospace	41
F20	Optics	39
T19	Road safety	38

2. Surveillance of national projects possibly in breach of standstill

A copy of the following communications were received by CMC concerning notifications appearing in the 2009 monthly registers:

- 1) By e-mail dated 6 February 2009, EC requested a copy of the Danish draft standard from the January 2009 register on 'Organizational resilience: Security, preparedness and continuity – Management systems – Requirements with guidance for use'. EC requested CMC's opinion as to whether there could be any overlapping with ISO 9001:2008 where certain "product related disruptive incident" aspects in this draft were concerned. CMC replied that the subjects/scopes of EN ISO 9001:2008 and the DS project were different and that there was consequently no overlap between these documents.
- 2) By e-mail dated 7 May 2009, AFNOR contacted DIN with regard to the draft standards DIN 58220-3 'Test for use in expertise', 58220-5 "Vision screening test for general use", 58220-6 "Road traffic related vision screen test" and 58220-7 "Mesopic contrast vision, without and with glare, for road traffic related vision screen test". It was felt by a French representative that these documents may raise serious concerns regarding the impact of their application on free trade in the European Union.
Since no further communication has been made by AFNOR on this subject, it can be assumed that an understanding between AFNOR and DIN has been reached.
- 3) By e-mail dated 25 May 2009, AFNOR contacted DIN with regard to draft DIN 53262 "Footwear – test methods – Determination of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH)", opposing its publication. The French national mirror committee of CEN/TC 309 stated that the analysis of PAH (Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons) was not required by the other European members and that this analysis would create a disparity on the market. AFNOR has given CMC no further feedback on this matter for which it is assumed a satisfactory reply has been given by DIN.
- 4) By letter dated 30 June 2009, AFNOR contacted DIN with regard to their revised standard DIN 4261-1 "Small sewage treatment plants – Part 1: Plants for wastewater pretreatment" which is a national complement to EN 12566:2000 "Small wastewater treatment systems for up to 50PT – Part 1: Prefabricated septic tanks...". Since most septic tanks made in France do not meet the DIN conception requirements whilst meeting the EN requirements and being CE marked, this would constitute a technical barrier to the trade in Europe of CE marked products meeting the requirements of the European Standard. DIN NAW was requested to take the accompanying French technical comments into account.
Having received no negative feedback from AFNOR, it would appear that DIN has taken the AFNOR comments into account.
- 5) By e-mail dated 5 October 2009, EC contacted CMC regarding the following two DIN standards:
 - DIN 4046 "Ausgabe: 1983-09, Wasserversorgung; Begriffe; Technische Regel des DVGW" – as to whether any amendment of this standard had been notified at some stage, since the original standard published in 1983 had never been notified. CMC confirmed that no notification of the standard or any possible amendments had been found.
 - DIN 4049-1:1992:12 "Hydrologie; Grundbegriffe" – as to whether this standard had been notified. CMC found information in the database concerning the notification of the submission to public enquiry of a draft revision of DIN 4049 Teil 1 (1979 09).

3. 2009 Events and conclusions on the operation

During 2009 all notifications for the Information Procedure were delivered electronically via iPROJEX (the service aiming at updating the CMC database via files - bulk data - directly by NSBs) and CMC continued to give technical support and assistance when necessary.

The Affiliates were offered the same support in order to notify all their new national projects via iPROJEX during the course of 2009, and Croatia (HZN) was fully functional in uploading their notifications throughout the year, as indicated in the statics in Annex.

As in previous years, monthly registers of National notifications were sent by e-mail to all NSBs and Affiliates. Furthermore, the data was made available each month on Livelink in XML format for possible download by NSBs and Affiliates.

**Information procedure on standards – National notifications received from the CEN
Member States**

Country	Total Received	Received before public Enquiry	Received at Public Enquiry Stage		Received after publication	Title amplification given in English
			Total received	Late – within 1 month of deadline for comments		
Austria (ON)	195	195	0	0	0	190
Belgium (NBN)	27	0	27	3	0	0
Bulgaria (BDS)	12	8	4	0	0	12
Croatia (HZN) ¹	66	61	5	0	0	0
Cyprus (CYS)	2	0	2	0	0	0
Czech Republic (UNMZ)	70	0	65	15	5	68
Denmark (DS)	8	0	8	2	0	8
Estonia (EVS)	8	8	0	0	0	8
Finland (SFS)	3	0	3	0	0	0
France (AFNOR)	273	273	0	0	0	0
Germany (DIN)	393	389	4	0	0	0
Greece (ELOT)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hungary (MSZT)	7	7	0	0	0	0
Iceland (IST)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ireland (NSAI)	4	4	0	0	0	4
Italy (UNI)	123	123	0	0	0	123
Latvia (LVS)	33	8	25	0	0	33
Lithuania (LST)	3	2	1	0	0	3
Luxembourg (ILNAS)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malta (MSA)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Netherlands (NEN)	58	58	0	0	0	58
Norway (SN)	17	5	9	0	3	16
Poland (PKN)	14	14	0	0	0	14
Portugal (IPQ)	0	0	0	0	0	0

¹ HZN was not Member of CEN in 2009

Country	Total Received	Received before public Enquiry	Received at Public Enquiry Stage		Received after publication	Title amplification given in English
			Total received	Late – within 1 month of deadline for comments		
Romania (ASRO)	45	45	0	0	0	45
Slovakia (SUTN)	28	28	0	0	0	26
Slovenia (SIST)	11	0	11	0	0	3
Spain (AENOR)	179	173	6	0	0	177
Sweden (SIS)	21	7	14	0	0	21
Switzerland (SNV)	38	0	38	0	0	0
United Kingdom (BSI)	131	119	12	0	0	0
TOTAL	1769	1527	234	20	8	809