

Who can do what to help preventing a negative assessment (partial compliance or lack of compliance)

- *CEN-CENELEC national members*: To enhance the support offered to working groups convenors responsible for developing harmonised standards;
- *CEN-CENELEC TCs*: To request an initial assessment at FWD stage when needed (for instance for a new harmonised standard, for a revision when the Regulation/directive has changed, when the Annex Z significantly changed, etc.);
- *CEN-CENELEC WGs (as in most cases, the TC delegates the resolution of comments to the relevant WG)*: Comments from assessment report at Enquiry stage to be fully taken into account during the comment resolution meeting;

As a complement, attention to the following items is drawn:

- *European Commission and EY*: Clear and reliable requirements for harmonised standards will reduce risk of misinterpretations by CEN-CENELEC Technical bodies and late refocusing or moving targets;
- *EY and HAS Consultant*: Assessment reports at Enquiry stage with details and explanation will allow for efficient comment resolution meeting after Enquiry;
- *EY and HAS Consultants*: Assessment reports which are consistent both vertically (i.e. for the same draft at different stages of development) as well as horizontally (i.e. for different standards drafted in response to the same piece of legislation) will contribute to standards meeting the Standardisation requests and increase confidence for harmonised standards development;
- *EY and HAS Consultants*: Assessment reports provided within agreed timescales (or to inform CEN and CENELEC when the reports will be available) will contribute to standards available within the set deadlines in the Standardisation request;