Effective participation of Societal Stakeholders in Standardization

Societal Stakeholders Organizations’ right to submit an Opinion

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Opinion mechanism
CEN and CENELEC CAs agreed:

- "Opinion" as of 1 January 2017
- support at international level
- measures to raise awareness
Right to submit Opinion

Implemented from 1 January 2017

Opinion mechanism

- Societal Stakeholder Organizations, “Annex III” and CEN-CENELEC Partner
- Processing of the Opinion
  - Timing for submission
  - Role of TC/SC
- Template for submission
Right to submit Opinion: General considerations

Opinion is expected to be:
• Used positively
• Used when participating
• Constructive for TC to take on board

Opinion is not part of the ballot:
• outcome vote: not affected
• national delegation principle: not affected
• consensus building: not challenged
## OPINION on prEN/FprEN

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### OPINION:

- □ Favourable
- □ Not favourable

Comments in support of the Opinion:

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Where the Opinion is “Not favourable”, the NSB/NC template for comments **must** be used and attached to this form in order to allow the Technical Body³ to respond.
Please provide the following information which will help respond to the Opinion.

**Is your organization actively participating in the development of the standard?**
- Yes
- No

If yes, name of the expert(s):

**During the standard’s development phase, did you make comments?**
- Yes
  - to the WG
  - to the TC/SC
- No

**Were these comments accepted by the technical body?**
- Yes
- Partly
- No

Comment: ...

If your Opinion is “Not favourable”, Is it in line with these earlier comments to the technical body?
- Yes
- No
If “No”, why?: .................
- N/A

**# Annex(es) included with this Opinion (give details):** ...

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Opinion: Timeframe

- Registration of NWI
- Circulation of 1st WD
- Start Enquiry
- ENQ 12W
- Consideration of comments max. 8m
- Preparation 3.5m
- Finalisation 2m
- Formal Vote?
  - Yes: Finalisation 2m
  - No: Consideration of comments max. 8m
- Preparation 0.5m
- Consideration of comments max. 8m
- Finalisation 2m
- 1st mtg

Possibility to be extended to 12 months
Translation previous to Formal vote is optional. If translation is necessary 1.5 months need to be added.
Incorporate in rules and procedures

- CEN BOSS and CENELEC website
- Revise CEN-CENELEC Guide 25 ‘The concept of Partnership with European Organisations and other stakeholders’
Need more info?

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