

Ecodesign and energy labels: setting standards for consumers

Thursday 20 June 11.00 – 12.30

Charlemagne Building (Rue de la Loi, 170, 1000 Brussels) – room Mansholt

11:00	<p>Welcome</p> <p>This session aspires to explore the challenges ahead for the EU Product Policy Framework and standards, as well as the relationship between the two.</p> <p>Sonja VAN RENSSSEN</p>
11:00-11:05	<p>Ecodesign and Energy Labelling Package</p> <p>The transition to a circular economy not only requires collective efforts from various sectors, but also putting the consumer at the centre of a strong product policy. What is the role for Ecodesign, Energy Labelling and the underpinning standards with regards to the challenges that this transition poses?</p> <p>Robert NUIJ, Head of Sector, Energy efficiency of products, European Commission – Directorate General for Energy</p>
11:05-11:10	<p>European Standards supporting European policies and legislation</p> <p>At the end of this session, you will understand how the standards development process guarantees a flexible and timely response to ensure that the market needs are met and how standards support the implementation of EU policies and regulations.</p> <p>Catherine VIGNERON, Customer Service Specialist 'Energy and Living', CEN and CENELEC</p>
11:10-11:35	<p>Panel 1 - Consumer relevant product testing standards</p> <p>Ecodesign and Energy Labelling policies supported by European Standards help business and consumers by providing them with relevant information on the energy performance of household appliances and other performance parameters. This information is the result of product testing, which needs to be accurate, reliable and representative of real-life conditions.</p> <p>Experts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alain ROUX, Chairman of CENELEC/TC 59X 'Performance of household and similar electrical appliances' - Chris EVANS, ANEC, The European consumer voice in standardisation - Michal Zakrzewski, APPLiA, Home Appliance Europe
11:35-12:00	<p>Panel 2 – Material Efficiency aspects in Energy-related Products</p> <p>So far energy-use has been the main focus in the implementation of the Ecodesign Directive, however, requirements related to material efficiency aspects may appear in future product-specific implementing measures adopted under this Directive. CEN and CENELEC are developing standards covering material efficiency aspects for ecodesign such as: extend product lifetime, ability to reuse components or recycle materials from products at end of life and the use of reused components and/or recycled materials in products.</p> <p>Experts:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bram SOENEN, Senior attaché Product policy, Belgian Federal Public Service for Health, Food Chain Safety and Environment - Christoforos SPILIOTOPOULOS, Policy Director, European Environmental Citizens Organisation for Standardisation - Richard HUGHES, Former Chairman of CEN-CENELEC/JTC 10 'Energy-related products - Material Efficiency Aspects for Ecodesign'
12:00-12:25	Panel 3 – Future EU product policy and its impacts/challenges
	<p>This panel will address the possible future development of the policy with regards to the decision and implementation process, the scope of products and the environmental dimensions to be covered.</p> <p>Experts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Geert MAES, Customer Solution Manager – Industry - Electrotechnology, CEN and CENELEC - Jesper DITLEFSEN, Special Advisor, Danish Energy Agency - Robert NUIJ, Head of Sector, Energy efficiency of products, European Commission – Directorate General for Energy
12:25-12:30	<p>Wrap up</p> <p>Sonja VAN RENSSSEN</p>