

ARGE WG *Standardisation*

Relaunch 2021

Updated after the meeting held on 17th February 2021

Attendees 17th Feb: Peter Annus, René Baumgartner, Paul Browne, Susanne Buschmann, Frédéric Ducloyer, Carlos Exposito, Arjen Koole, Markus Kornhofer, Wolfgang Landwehr, Inge Lidén, Herbert Maté, Gianluca Mattogno, Jürgen Meinhardt, Marco Paolizzi, Fabio Poggioli, Bruno Rosevich, Jukka Sadinmäki, Stephan Schmidt, Martial Schneider, Johannes Trampert, Pierre Vilain, Torsten Vogel, Hans Weissenböck

ARGE Antitrust guidelines

Antitrust laws regulate – amongst other matters – the conduct of business representatives in connection with association activities.

It is important, therefore, from the representative's own perspective and for the good of ARGE as a whole, that representatives recognise that any conduct which is conflicting with or questionable under anti-trust laws must not occur at association meetings.

Representatives have also to avoid actions which even create the appearance of an unlawful agreement.

Rational

- ➔ Several entities and persons of ARGE are involved standardisation, with overlapping activities: ARGE experts in CEN/TC 33/WG 4 and TGs, ARGE WG *Standardisation*, and the ARGE Executive Team.
- ➔ Members of WG *Standardisation* (formerly WG C) have been the same for many years. Some members are quite passive and don't provide any value to the WG. On the other hand some significant ARGE members and companies are not represented.
- ➔ Active WG members are also part of CEN/TC 33/WG 4 and TGs, and/or the ARGE ExT.
- ➔ In the past, WG C's activity was mainly to inform members on current developments in EN standardisation and EU Regulations and Directives, also work of CEN/TC 33/WG 4 was discussed; interest of most members was modest.
- ➔ Convenors of CEN/TC 33 and CEN/TC 33/WG 4 are 'ARGE persons' now, previously these positions were held by managers from test labs.
- ➔ Last fruitful meeting of WG *Standardisation* was held in Rotterdam 2018 when de-harmonisation strategy was developed.

WG Standardisation members

WG members from the ARGE ExT:

- Paul Browne (UK)
- Frédéric Ducloyer (FR)
- Inge Lidén (ARGE)
- Bruno Rosevich (IT)
- Stephan Schmidt (DE)
- Denis Schnœbelen (FR)
- Pierre Vilain (FR) – *Convenor*
- Hans Weissenböck (ARGE)

Other current WG members:

- Susanne Buschmann (CH)
- Håkan Hedlund (SE)
- Arjen Koole (NL)
- Herbert Maté (AT)
- Jürgen Meinhardt (DE)
- Marco Paolizzi (IT)
- Jukka Sadinmäki (FI)
- Martial Schneider (FR)
- Johannes Trampert (DE)
- Torsten Vogel (DE)
- David Whitworth (UK)

New WG members:

- Wolfgang Landwehr (DE) – SIMONSWERK
- Gianluca Mattogno (IT) – CISA / ALLEGION
- Fabio Poggioli (FR) – DOM Security
- Peter Annus (HU) - DOM Security
- René Baumgartner (AT) - MACO
- Markus Kornhofer (AT) – DormaKaba
- AFACE (Spain) – still to be clarified

Mission

To develop ARGE's standardisation strategy and implement it multi-directionally:

- ⇒ towards CEN/TC 33/WG 4,
- ⇒ towards relevant national mirror committees of CEN/TC 33/WG 4,
- ⇒ towards other experts and opinion makers in the industry

Strategic objectives for ARGE WG *Standardisation* are set by the ARGE Executive Team.

Scope

- ➔ Construction Products Regulation (CPR)
- ➔ Harmonised EN standards, non-harmonised EN standards, Technical Specifications, Technical Reports, etc for building hardware
- ➔ Other EN standards which could affect building hardware, such as standards for doors and windows, EXAPS, HPS, fire testing, EAD, etc
- ➔ Specific other directives/ regulations/ standards established outside Europe and/or the EU which could affect ARGE members (e.g. UKCA mark)
- ➔ ISO product standards in relation to building hardware to be monitored

Note: Specific standardisation related topics and tasks have been assigned to other ARGE WGs and ARGE Ad-hoc TGs.

These topics and tasks are (status January 2021):

- Smart Door Lock Standard
- Master Key System (MKS) Data Protection
- BIM
- Lead (Pb) Reduction
- EPD (EN 15804): (1) Production; (2) Monitoring and assessing impact on product standardisation (potentially even CE marking)
- Waste Framework Directive: SCIP Database

Duplication of work between ARGE WG *Standardisation* and the other ARGE WGs and ARGE Ad-hoc TGs has to be avoided.

Not in scope

- ➡ Other EU regulations and directives (e.g. Machinery Directive, EMC Directive, RED, REACH Regulation, RoHS Directive, etc), and related standards
- ➡ National standards and national regulations in general, if not specifically addressed by purpose (see under 'Scope': *Specific other directives/ regulations/ standards established outside Europe and/or the EU which could affect ARGE members (e.g. UKCA mark)*)
- ➡ Lobbying with the European Commission, Construction Products Europe (CPE), Orgalim, etc, as this is under the responsibility of the ARGE Executive Team

Structure

⇒ WG members

- WG members represent ARGE members (National Associations and Guest-members). They do not represent individual companies; exceptions are representatives of Guest-members.
- Members of the ARGE Executive Team are entitled to attend WG meetings, regardless whether they are members of the WG or not.

⇒ Convenor

- Pierre Vilain, representing ARGE's French member, UNIQ, has been the Convenor of ARGE's WG C, as the WG *Standardisation* was named previously. He continues to serve as Convenor in what is now the WG *Standardisation*.

⇒ WG Core Team, Ad-hoc Groups, Work Package Groups, Homework Groups, etc

- It is up to the discretion of the WG to establish – temporarily or permanently – an organisational structure and processes facilitating efficient work. Examples for such organisational elements are a Core Team, Ad-hoc Groups, Work Package Groups and Homework Groups.

Mandate from ARGE Executive Team for 2021 and 2022

- ➔ Against the background of blocked hEN under the CPR (no cure in sight short- and mid-term), **define the appropriate strategies for each of the blocked standards and implement these strategies** via CEN/TC 33/WG 4
- ➔ **Keep ARGE members informed on the planned revision of CPR** and its implementation by disseminating relevant information
- ➔ **Evaluate existing EN standards, TS, etc,** and define gaps, the need for revisions and initiate the required Work Items through CEN/TC 33/WG 4

Work programme until September 2021 (1/3)

Key work area Potential revision of CPR		Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CPR revision: Monitoring and influencing the process 		Includes liaising with Member States' representatives in European Commission's CPR Steering Group and WGs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CPR revision: Assessing impact of potential changes in CPR's ANNEX 1 (BRCW) 		Impact of potential changes of BRCW on EN standards for building hardware needs to be assessed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Standards under CPR currently in progress: Establishing a plan how to proceed 		Each of the hEN has to be addressed individually, based on 'toolbox' (options) developed by CEN/TC 33
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ De-harmonisation of hEN: Establishing a plan how to deliver 		Basis is de-harmonisation strategy decided during the ARGE Conference 2018
Action Leader:	Stephan Schmidt	
Action Members	Marco Paolizzi , Arjen Koole , Håkan Hedlund , Stephan Schmidt , Martial Schneider, Inge Lidén, Torsten Vogel, Wolfgang Landwehr	

Work programme until September 2021 (2/3)

Key work area Information and education		Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CPR revision: Informing members about CPR revision process and progress 		ARGE members (especially experts being active in CEN standardisation) need to understand the process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ BREXIT: Informing about requirement of UKCA marking 		In addition to the info DHF provided to their members already, non-UK companies need to be advised
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CE mark, quality marks, EN standards, etc: Educate members 		Better understanding of meaning of CE marking, purpose of EN standards, value of local quality marks is required
Action Leader:	Pierre Vilain	
Action Members	Pierre Vilain, Gianluca Mattogno , Peter Annus, Marco Paolizzi, UK DHF rep (TBC)	

Work programme until September 2021 (3/3)

Key work area Other tasks		Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Differentiation vis-à-vis CEN/TC 33/WG 4: Establishing clear boundaries and define gaps in our product standards or TS 		Differentiation and added value of ARGE WG <i>Standardisation</i> vis-à-vis CEN/TC 33/WG 4 is required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Smart CE marking: Assessing applicability for building hardware products 		Smart CE marking has been developed by CPE and is applied for a number of construction products already
Action Leader:	Stephan Schmidt	
Action Members	Stephan Schmidt , Markus Kornhofer , Inge Lidén , Pierre Vilain	

Action plan until September 2021 (1/7)

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Action Members	Marco Paolizzi , Arjen Koole , Håkan Hedlund , Stephan Schmidt , Martial Schneider, Inge Lidén, Torsten Vogel, Wolfgang Landwehr

Activity	Deadline	Responsible
Organize first meeting	15 March	Stephan Schmidt
Sum-up what's going on in CPE, Orgalim, EC, ...	5 March	Stephan Schmidt
Define how we could influence and lobby to EC, CPE, through the national WGs, about the new « SR »		
Understand the output of the EC consultation conducted end of 2020		

Action plan until September 2021 (2/7)

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Activity	Deadline	Responsible
Liaise with the sub group ARGE « EPDs », and TG1 to understand the roles and responsibilities		
Define our position about burglary resistance		
Introduction of sustainability, circular economy,..., into our EN standards? Strategy, plan, ...		

Action plan until September 2021 (3/7)

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Action Members	Marco Paolizzi , Arjen Koole , Håkan Hedlund , Stephan Schmidt , Martial Schneider, Inge Lidén, Torsten Vogel, Wolfgang Landwehr

Activity	Deadline	Responsible
Sum up of the 4 WG4/TGs decisions about each hEN and give and support ARGE opinion to that.		
Define next steps and action plan, priorities		

Action plan until September 2021 (4/7)

Key work area Potential revision of CPR	Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> De-harmonisation of hEN: Establishing a plan how to deliver 	Basis is de-harmonisation strategy decided during the ARGE Conference 2018

Action Leader:	Stephan Schmidt
Action Members	Marco Paolizzi , Arjen Koole , Håkan Hedlund , Stephan Schmidt , Martial Schneider, Inge Lidén, Torsten Vogel, Wolfgang Landwehr

Activity	Deadline	Responsible
Understand what's going on with the « acquis »		
Establish action plan for de-harmonisation according to different scenari about the « SR », and routines to delete hEN from the OJEU.		

Action plan until September 2021 (5/7)

Key work area Information and education		Notes	
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Action Leader:	Pierre Vilain		
Action Members	Pierre Vilain, Gianluca Mattogno , Peter Annus, Marco Paolizzi, UK DHF rep, Stephan Schmidt		
Activity		Deadline	Responsible
Organize first meeting		15 March	Pierre Vilain
Liaise closely with TG « CPR revision » to get information			
Define periodicity, way to communicate (visio, ARGE site,...), public to be invited, ...			
Set-up priorities among the different topics			
Prepare the presentations, ...			

Action plan until September 2021 (6/7)

Key work area Other tasks	Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Differentiation vis-à-vis CEN/TC 33/WG 4: Establishing clear boundaries and define gaps in the product standards or TS 	Differentiation and added value of ARGE WG <i>Standardisation vis-à-vis CEN/TC 33/WG 4 is required</i>

Action Leader:	Stephan Schmidt
Action Members	Stephan Schmidt , Markus Kornhofer , Inge Lidén , Marco Paolizzi, Pierre Vilain

Activity	Deadline	Responsible
Organize first meeting	30 March	Stephan Schmidt
Identify the path to bring ARGE inputs to WG4		
Identify the gaps in WG4 stds: product categories, requirements, testing procedures, manual attacks, categories of use,...		

Action plan until September 2021 (7/7)

Key work area Other tasks		Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Smart CE marking: Assessing applicability for building hardware products 		Smart CE marking has been developed by CPE and is applied for a number of construction products already
Action Leader:		
Action Members	Stephan Schmidt , Markus Kornhofer , Inge Lidén , Marco Paolizzi, Pierre Vilain	
Activity	Deadline	Responsible
Review what « Smart CE marking » means and consequences for us		
How digitization could be beneficial for us in the future?: digital DoP, CE marking, BIM, information to customers, ...		