

CECE Regulatory Update

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Market Surveillance of Products



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Market Surveillance of Products: main issue for CECE

- The problem of the presence of non-compliant machines on the market and unfair competition is an issue since long time.
- Some companies spend 70% of their R&D to comply with EU Directives on environment, safety and other technical requirements deriving from European legislation.
- This is meaningless, if the legislation is not enforced and policed.
- CECE has advocated in the last 4 years for more resources and a more stringent legislative framework



Market Surveillance of Products: what we did

- CECE convinced the European Commission to issue a thoughtful piece of legislation
- In February 2013 the European Commission issued a REGULATION OF MARKET SURVEILLANCE OF PRODUCTS coupled with a REGULATION ON CONSUMERS' PRODUCTS SAFETY
- Regulation voted in Plenary Session in Strasbourg on April 2014.
- New Parliament decided **To keep the dossier as it is and proceed with negotiations**



CECE Assessment of European Parliament Vote

- CECE generally positive about Vote of Parliament and Commission initiative
- Many positive improvements in the legislation
- BUT confusion on exclusion of construction equipment from Consumers Product Safety Regulation and concept of “emerging risk” dangerous for industry



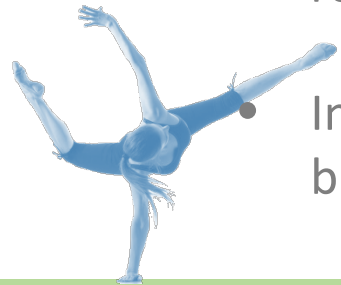
Regulation on Market Surveillance of Products: the DEADLOCK

- HOWEVER, DOSSIER Blocked SINCE MONTHS due to controversy around “Marking of Origin” (not concerning our products but it blocks the whole package)
 - Commission now will undertake COST-BENEFIT analysis of Marking of Origin
- file blocked for additional 4 months (minimum)



Regulation on Market Surveillance of Products: WHAT CAN YOU DO

- The European Commission has a PLAN B to develop projects of activities on-the-field under its umbrella
- **BUT Market Surveillance remain a problem of National responsibility**
- National Authorities need to be pushed and convinced to increase resources at national level
- Industry can help providing the “technical knowledge” and “hints” but checks on the market are the key



Thanks for your attention



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