

## **EuroWindoor feedback to the Call for Evidence on revision of Regulation 1025/2012 on European standardisation**

EuroWindoor strongly supports the EU Regulation 1025/2012 on European standardisation being a core element in the New Legislative Framework. Especially the role of harmonised standards is a vital element for the EU single market for windows and doors and we believe the EU 1025/2012 will remain highly relevant for the implementation of the Construction Products Regulation as well as for the many other EU regulations that shape the legal framework for the single market. Therefore, we fully agree with the baseline scenario maintaining the current framework, considering the work ongoing by the Commission and European Standardisation Organisations (ESOs) to improve standardisation processes.

Harmonized standards developed by ESOs must continue being the preferred tool for the technical language that bridge the legal framework and the practical implementation of the EU regulations. This linking between the legal framework and the technical language developed in a public-private partnership is a stronghold for the European competitiveness and is vital for the timely and practical implementation of the combined needs of regulators and market players.

However, EuroWindoor believes strongly that in order to increase the agility and continuous adaption of the system and to stimulate the competitiveness of European industries there is a need for further improving the effectiveness of the system of harmonized standards. We recommend a quicker and a better streamlined standardisation process with standards responding better to the needs of their users through a close and efficient collaboration between CEN, Member States, the industry and the Commission. The response to this need should be addressed in the revision of EU Regulation 1025/2012 and the goal should be clear and stable description of roles, responsibilities, timelines and templates for all processes and stakeholders involved.

We are of the opinion that good standards need sufficient time in the drafting process and for the enquiry phase. Therefore, the timeline should not be further shortened as this also would contradict the aim of having a better involvement of more stakeholder groups.

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