

Webinar of 2022-03-08

Webinar 'Update HAS assessment system'

Questions & Answers

1	Will the assessments have to be reissued by the Secretary or will this be decided by the HAS Contractor/EC?	Yes, in case a TC wishes to have an assessment of a draft standard when the HAS system is restored, the TC will have to inform CCMC in order to reissue the HAS assessment.
2	can't CEN just allocate money, extra of budget, to pay for the assessment of these standards?	For the time being, CEN, CENELEC and the EC agreed that during the gap between contracts, the EC desk officer may provide assessment/feedback of those standards reaching ENQ and FV that normally would receive a HAS assessment.
3	Who is responsible to follow up on that the submitted requests will be transferred to the new HAS under the new contract? If it is the TC's how will they know when to follow up and who to contact? Will CCMC coordinate?	TCs are responsible for analysing if the pending HAS assessments are still required. Of course, CCMC will provide support to TCs to identify those pending HAS assessments not processed. In case some assessments are needed, the relevant CCMC PM should be informed and CCMC will request the assessment to the HAS contractor.
4	Nuno said that once the HAS-system has been re-installed one needs to follow up diligently whether the assessments in backlog have to be requested again. Will this be done/initiated by CCMC "automatically" or do the TCs have to become active themselves?	This is not an automatic process. TCs are responsible for analysing if the pending HAS assessments are still required. Of course, CCMC will provide support to TCs to identify those pending HAS assessments not processed. In case some assessments are needed, the relevant CCMC PM should be informed and CCMC will request the assessment to the HAS contractor.
5	For delayed standards due to lack of assessment on amendments or revisions (for rejected standards by EC), is it anticipated to obtain automatic extra period of tolerance?	Yes. There will be some flexibility for not deleting the WIs in case the TC wishes to wait for the HAS assessment.
6	Standards developed jointly by CEN and ISO (VA agreement) are blocked from publication - even by ISO - if linked to MDR. So we are seeking to de-link to prevent ISO work being blocked. How does that work	There are several options on the way forward during this gap between contracts. The TCs leadership should assess the different options. If a TC wishes to remove the link to legislation and progress to FV or publication, this is possible, but BT approval is required. Normally this would



	with proposal to submit for assessment at this time?	mean that no additional HAS assessment would be requested.
7	Should the HAS checklist also be used for direct implementation of IEC/ISO standards?	Yes, the ESO checklist and the HAS checklist are strongly recommended to be used for IEC/ISO standards.
8	So, the TCs will have to wait until CCMC will request the self-assessment for ENQ or FV- documents?	For ENQ assessments the standardization process will not stop. If the TC wishes, we could ask the EC whether they agree to assess the standards. For FV, if the TC decides to submit a doc to CCMC, we could ask the EC whether they agree to perform an "assessment". TCs can also decide to not submit a document to CCMC. We will be flexible not to delete the WI during the gap between systems. The self-assessment must be done by the TC only if the EC agrees to perform an "assessment" of an ENQ or FV draft hEN.
9	What about discussions about former HAS assessments to understand what the consultant was talking about ? To have the background to be able to understand why the comment was done this way since no contacting was possible during several months even already in the last year	Exchanges with the HAS consultants will be possible again when the new HAS contract is in place.
10	Who exactly is responsible of the self- assessments?	If the EC agrees to perform the "assessment". The self-assessment is performed by the TC by filling the EC checklist. The checklist and the draft standard is submitted to the EC desk officer.
11	It seems that even if we get an assessment it is very difficult to get a hEN cited (under the CPR)	The CPR is a complex sector. Standardization requests are needed for drafting hEN under CPR. The mandates are old and require revision. In some few cases, it might be possible to use the TC answer to mandate, but it's important not to go beyond the boundaries of the mandates.
12	But is it really envisaged that such a "self- assessment" in combination with a Commission assessment can satisfy the Commission? Up to now – especially on technical issues – the Commission very strongly (not to say totally) relies on the HAS consultants' opinion. So the whole exercise of carrying out a self-assessment	The self-assessment has been a request from the EC. The EC wants to ensure that some generic elements are considered in the standard before they engage in an assessment. We are aware that maybe this EC assessment will not work for all sectors, but maybe for some it will work.



13	would surely only be an additional step, but it is hardly imaginable that it would in any way be sufficient to replace a positive assessment. Will there be any summary of the main recommendations for all concerned TCs, providing timely information, what has changed (e.g. step forward without	The goal of this webinar is to provide different options that TCs could follow during the gap between contracts. Do not hesitate to get in touch with the CCMC PM to support with some
14	indicative assessment)? What is homegrown?	recommendations for your TC. Homegrown means CEN and CENELEC deliverables that are not developed in parallel with ISO or IEC.
15	Do you have any information on the timeline especially requesting case-by-case assessment by the EC in FV? How long will this take?	Normally the EC "assessment" would only take place during the gap between contracts.
16	After a 2nd negative assessment (before FV) and impossibility to communicate with the HAS Consultant for improving the draft for FV aiming at a positive PUB assessment: Will CCMC (automatically, after coming the new contract into force, strive for such communication with the (new) Consultant ?	CCMC will not automatically request additional requests. When the new HAS contract is in place, Technical Bodies will have to assess the possibilities: e.g., request another assessment (if relevant), request a meeting with the HAS consultant. Our recommendation is for the TC secretary to contact the CCMC PM to provide support regarding the best way forward.
17	Option 1 on Slide 11: But this would mean that one would first have to de-harmonize the standard, wouldn't it? Because if not, a HAS-assessment would surely occur AFTER the (successful) end of FV, and the TC would in most cases end up in a mess with the project.	It is important to highlight that in some cases, the comments from the HAS consultant at the ENQ stage (ENQ assessment) are very limited and the TCs can easily solve them without the need of a FV assessment. In other cases, TCs might wish to wait for the new contract to request a FV assessment. However, it's possible that the TC may want to remove the link to legislation. TCs need to decide on the best way forward with the support of CCMC.
18	How is it handled when the document in IEC goes directly from CDV to standard?	In this scenario, in case the CDV/ENQ assessment is lack of compliance, there are two options: 1) publish the EN IEC standard with no link to legislation upon BT approval or 2) prepare a common modifications standard to solve the comments from the HAS consultant and publish



		both EN IEC and common modifications standard together.
19	In case TC decides for option 2 and to wait for HAS Assessment for FV: what about the given target dates? Will CEN adapt target dates accordingly?	There is flexibility to not delete WIs in case a TC decides to wait for the new contract to be in place.
20	or the Commission	The budget will be available, but the new contract needs to be put in place.
21	As already asked, "What about discussions about former HAS assessments to understand what the consultant was talking about? " How can we do that?	When the new HAS contract is in place, the TC can request a meeting with the HAS consultant. It is unclear at this stage if the HAS contractor will hire the same consultants.
22	hEHs developed under GPSD didn't require HAS assessment. Why didn't the Commission delay the role out if this was under budgeted?	In general, it is positive that the GPSD sector is covered under the HAS assessment system. The issue related to lack of budget is more related with other sectors (e.g. explosives, fertilizers) with a large volume of standards to be developed according to standardization requests. This was not foreseen initially when defining the HAS contract budget in 2017.
23	will the consultants remain the same or will they change?	The EC informed that when the performance of HAS consultants was in line with the expectations they can be re-appointed.
24	Yes, CPR hENs never seem to fit well into any system - for most of us it means we've stopped progressing drafts!	CPR is indeed in a different situation and dependent on future decisions by the EC.
25	This is new to me: CCMC offers standards for citation without an assessment? IS this possible?	During this transition phase this could indeed happen, but most of the standards had at least one assessment.
26	Is it possible to offer hEN for OJEU citation without HAS assessment?	During this transition phase this could indeed happen, but most of the standards had at least one assessment.
27	Again to Option 1: Perhaps I misunderstood this: But we know almost for sure that without a positive assessment a published standard will not be harmonized. So if a TC WANTS to have a standard harmonized this is not realistic and should be discouraged.	Correct, waiting for a Formal Vote HAS assessment is important to verify if the final draft is compliant with the relevant EU legislation.



28	In case of a negative assessment, when the WG has solved relevant comments and modified the standard accordingly, in case all comments from the HAS consultant have not been accepted and implemented what is the way forward? Does it mean the standard cannot be cited?	The suggestion is to wait for the new HAS contract to be in place and organise a meeting with the HAS consultant. Alternatively, in between contracts, a potential meeting with the EC desk officer could be organised to agree on the best way forward.
29	Presumably as before even if published without and assessment any standard will not be cited without and assessment therefore if published and a negative assessment is later received the published standard will not be cited and will have to be re-worked. Can you make this clear?	TCs can always wait for the new HAS contract to request an assessment. This would be the safer option. Indeed, if a standard is published without assessment or with a lack of compliance, the chances of citation are lower. However, in some cases, it might be possible for the TC to address the comments from the consultant (from previous assessments) in case those comments are minor or limited. Evidence on how the TC has solved the comments from the consultant need to be submitted to the EC (e.g. revised standard in track changes and table of comments with the last column filled to show how the TC is addressing the comments from the consultant).
30	Which period is the budget valid for?	The new contract is for 2 years and it can be extended to additional 2 years (4 years in total).
31	is there provision in the new contract to avoid the present situation to happen again in future?	No, this is not covered in the new contract. However, the EC has increased budget compared to the old contract.
32	Will the EC CHECKLIST be required in addition to the usual checklist hENs on BOSS?	No, the EC checklist should only be used for the transition period. Eventually, the ESO checklist might be revised to address additional aspects.
33	We should be aware: In case there is a new contractor it is highly unlikely that an implementation by 2022-05-15 can be kept. Because it will surely involve setting up a slightly modified system etc.	That is indeed a possibility. We will inform as early as possible when we will have information about the new contractor.
34	When is it possible again to request HAS assessment of published standards, if they are listed in the Standardization Requests and therefore have a deadline to be published in the OJEU?	If there are issues to meet the deadlines of the Standardization Request, there are possibilities to extend the timeframe. This should be communicated to the CCMC PM as early as possible if you foresee delays.



35	How long will last the new contract?	The new contract is for 2 years and it can be extended to additional 2 years (4 years in total).
36	If the budget is fixed, what would be the motivation from the EC to select another contractor than EY (if they applied)? Wouldn't it be in the interest of the ESS to continue with established (enhanced)processes?	The EC will choose the HAS contracts based on some defined criteria. Of course some stability for the HAS system is important.
37	How will be managed the project in progress where we already engaged discussions with HAS consultants? Even more if the project is at a late stage without positive assessment. We already know that having a new HAS consultant on a project leads to new comments, to discussions and globally time consuming for experts and officers!	There is a strong possibility that most of the consultants will be re-hired. If this is the case, it is very likely that the same consultant will be responsible for the same project. If there is a new consultant performing the assessment once the HAS system is back, it is very important to organise a meeting with the consultant in case the result is negative to explain the TC perspective on some matters.
38	Are the consultants allowed to participate in meetings such as TC plenary meetings?	Normally no. HAS consultants have two main tasks: HAS compliance of standards and communication with TCs to clarify matters with the assessment.
39	Can you confirm the total number of HAS consultant days that are expected in the contract?	Under the new HAS contract, it is estimated maximum 6800 person-days of HAS consultant service (24 months period)
40	That is to say 1/3 of the budget is wasted on "organizational and logistics" topics which do not add to the improvement of the standards! Incredible.	The HAS contractor has the following tasks for 24 months period: Task 1: 380 person-days Task 2: 460 person-days Task 3: 180 person-days Task 4: 200 person-days
41	Will it be the EC desk officer who decides if the condition in "conditional compliant" is fulfilled?	If the only issue preventing the consultant giving a 'Compliant' assessment is the fact that normative references are still draft standards being developed at the same time and stage as the draft hEN, then a 'Conditional compliance' should be given.
42	I mean, not just more money, but written provision to avoid a period of no assessment	The gap between contracts is very unfortunate and we hope that the HAS system is restored as soon as possible.



43	I heard from a commission source, that at the beginning some CEN-member countries (most notably Germany) insisted, that a HAS-process is established. If these CEN- countries could have now second thoughts, could this entire HAS-process be disbanded? If partial compliance is not possible, this has major effects as some standards could not fully meet all essential requirements. It means that in the new situation no link can	We believe that the HAS assessment system is beneficial for the standardization community that can prevent several standards to be rejected by the EC for citation. The EC decided to remove partial compliance outcome from HAS assessment report as it was not clear whether in the opinion of the consultant the standard could be cited or not.
45	be made anymore to legislation. How can we harmonize published standards, when we cannot request assessments of published standards any more in the new tender? Will they not be harmonizable anymore? Is there a possibility to reconsider this?	In the frame of the upcoming HAS contract, published harmonized standards cannot be assessed by the HAS consultant. A NWI would have to be created to request the assessment of the revision of those projects.
47	who decides on conditional compliance?	It is the consultant. If the only issue preventing the consultant giving a 'Compliant' assessment is the fact that normative references are still draft standards being developed at the same time and stage as the draft hEN, then a 'Conditional compliance' should be given.
48	On the Outcome of assessments (Slide 22): Conditional compliance: This is certainly an improvement. But it is not really clear how this will be handled in practice. Is it then the duty of the TC to show to the Commission that the issue has been resolved? Or will it be addressed by a "simple" remark in the hEN list in the OJ?"	If the only issue preventing the consultant giving a 'Compliant' assessment is the fact that normative references are still draft standards being developed at the same time and stage as the draft hEN, then a 'Conditional compliance' should be given. Normally after FV, the CCMC editor will change the normative reference FprEN into the final publication year and ask TC for validation. When the standard is offered to the EC for citation, the normative references will be all corrected.
49	Assessment of standards (Slide 24): Positive: Flexibility during FV phase. But the introduction of the 2nd assessment after FV will drastically increase the overall number	Yes, this is foreseen in the HAS budget. However, if the TCs requests consistently the FWD HAS assessment (strongly recommended), in theory, the last final assessment should not be needed.



	of assessments. Is the Commission aware of this?	
50	Is the Annex ZA needed for HAS assessment? (In the case we proceed to HAS assessment on a working draft)	Yes, it is strongly recommended to have an Annex ZA for first working draft HAS assessment.
51	How legally binding is a reference in Annex ZZ of a standard, if this standard is not listed in the Annex of the corresponding EU regulation? Is this a mistake or is it a special type of harmonisation? (For example, see EN 50155:2017)	In the railways sector, harmonised standards supporting Directive (EU) 2016/797 can be: 1. Mandatory (quoted in the TSIs) 2. Voluntary and providing presumption of conformity (cited in the OJEU) 3. simultaneously with some parts mandatory and some parts providing presumption of conformity (quoted in the TSIs + cited in the OJEU). Only standards of category b) and c) must have an Annex ZA/ZZ (ATTENTION, the Annex ZA/ZZ for standards supporting Directive (EU) 2016/797 have specific template with columns for the TSI provisions) and the clauses indicated in the Annex ZA/ZZ will allow presumption of conformity (when the standard is cited in the OJEU) to the specific provisions of the TSIs indicated in the Annex ZA/ZZ. Independently of that, some other clauses of the standards can also be mandatory. These ones cannot be in the Annex ZA/ZZ (and reciprocally, a provision of a TSI quoting a standard with mandatory application, cannot be in the Annex ZA/ZZ.
E2	outcome so that a positive assessment can be achieved.	The current ISO process foresees that the EDIS is
53	To me it looks like the level "h" is only for homegrown standards, as ISO does not wait with the distribution of the ISO/FDIS.	The current ISO process foresees that the FDIS is not started if the Assessment was not delivered, however now we can change this status as temporarily the HAS assessment will not be delivered.
54	If the Standard track FV is chosen and the Leadership should decide to want to offer the standard for Harmonization to EC, what are the steps needed? Will the self- assessment from the TC be needed? And how well will this work? Are there already	The self-assessment is only needed if the TC would like to request the EC desk officer to perform an assessment of the standard. If he/she agrees, then TC must perform a self-assessment. If the TC believes that all the comments of the HAS consultant from previous stage were



	any feedbacks / standards that went through this process?	correctly addressed in the standard, there is the possibility to move forward with the FV. This is a temporary procedure until the new HAS process is in available.
55	A second assessment at FV only let the possibility to modify Annexes but no modification of the body standard will be feasible! So as far as I understand it, it is a way to replace the "close the gap" phase but I do not see real improvement there.	The second assessment at FV means before launching the FV. It will allow technical modifications in the body of the standard as well as Annex ZA/ZZ. This is the added value of such assessment before launching the FV.
56	What about the 2nd FV-Assessment under Vienna Agreement/FA? Will this be possible?	The new option presented will apply to all processes.
57	Can HAS consultants come up with new comments in a follow-up assessment? In that case you would resolve old comments but also have a never-ending story of new comments.	A logical evolution of the assessments throughout the stages of development is expected. Aspects that have been positively evaluated in earlier stages should not be declared non-compliant in later stages without new substantial elements being brought forward by the (different) HAS Consultant(s) and or the Commission.
58	How do we deal with time challenges fulfilling a Standardization Request in time with delaying/putting work on hold due to this contract interruption?	In these cases, it is important to liaise with the EC desk officer to find a solution (e.g. EC to perform an assessment of the standards, organise a meeting to discuss open issues, etc)
59	So, at the moment no meetings with HAS consultants are possible? I mean for the WIs that already received an assessment during CEN Enquiry	Yes, that is correct. Meetings between HAS consultants and TCs have stopped since March 2021.
60	What is the goal of the optional additional assessment request by EC at the end? What if the result is opposite to the first HAS assessment?	To have a final verification that the harmonized standard is compliant with EU legislation. If the comments are divergent, we will have to assess the comments and point out to the EC the points where consultants had different opinions in order to establish corrective measures to avoid such situation.
61	in case of negative assessment at FV, is the option of 2nd FV still available? so the TC	In case of negative assessment at FV, the advisable solution is to request the final assessment before the launch of the FV.



	can decide either for it or the last flexible assessment	However, if the FV is launched, the TC could request the BT for a 2 nd FV if needed.
62	Previously, response and informal agreement with HAS Consultant (by email) to a "lack of compliance" previous Formal Vote was supposed to be sufficient for hEN? Should we ask systematically a 2nd assessment before/after FV to ensure that the Std can be cited, even if still not certain as EC may add new remarks at publication stage?	In case the first FV assessment is lack of compliance, the TC can request a final assessment that should be use as a feedback mechanism, i.e., to ensure that the comments from the consultant have been sufficiently addressed in the standard.
63	Again: It is highly questionable in how far the interim solution will lead to any positive results. If TCs put a lot of efforts into this exercise, the Commission would still hardly rely on the TCs confirmations that technical solutions are ok. The Commission would always require some sort of "neutral" opinion (and normally the issues are too technical to judge them from the Commission's side).	Before TCs put efforts into the exercise, it is important to check first if the EC agrees to perform the assessment. If not, then the self- assessment is not sufficient. The HAS consultants follow the instructions of the EC and normally they should not comment on the technical aspects but rather on compliance aspects with the EU legislation.
64	Can we ask for contact to the HAS Consultant (new contract) to clarify LOC we received (old contract)	You can request the HAS contractor for a meeting with a consultant to clarify the LOC (old contract). If the contractor refuses it, please contact the CCMC PM for support to see the best way forward.
65	How long is the new Contract? What measures are being taken to meet the extended amount of work when the new Machinery Regulation is activated?	The new contract is for 2 years and it can be extended to additional 2 years (4 years in total). The EC has foreseen this and additional resources were made available for this upcoming work.
66	OK for the start of new contract but the duration of the new contract?	The new contract is for 2 years and it can be extended to additional 2 years (4 years in total).
67	For drafts under VA with ISO lead, can TC still decide to wait for the new contract and assessment, before launching FV?	The TC should get in contact with the ISO/TC to request to wait for the new contract to be in place.
68	In case of positive formal vote, I understand that the TC can ask CMS to publish the standard as long as the new contract is not operational.	If the TC believes that the harmonized standard is compliant and evidence is available, i.e., revised standard in track changes and table of comments showing how the TC addressed the comments



		from the consultant, then the standard could be published and offered for citation.
69	One of the reasons for negative assessment is the lack of answer to Mandate. We have prepared a new one, sent by CEN in August 2021, but we still have no answer How to proceed?	The EC still didn't provide a formal answer to the TC answers to mandate. CCMC is trying to get an answer from the EC on the status of mandates and TC answers to mandate.
70	But that means the same consultants would be necessary to be able to explain their assessment only possible with same contracted consultants or am I wrong?	Many of the consultants may be re-hired again, but this will be decided by the HAS contractor/EC.
71	All this assumes we understand how to complete the Annex ZA (or equivalent) . is there guidance available? if so this might reduce number of non-compliances	Sectoral guidance may be available. Please contact the CCMC PM for further information.
72	Despite an increase of the budget by 20%, the possibility of up to 4 HAS assessments per standard, the throughput will obviously decrease and the next bottle neck in this process is already visible at the horizon :-(The new contract brought many improvements compared to the old contract: more budget, increase communication with TCs and flexibility with the final assessment as feedback mechanism.
73	Thanks, now I understand: last flexible assessment is before launching (1st) FV	Exactly, that is correct.
	Not clear for me What is the interim process for assessment of FWD?	In between contracts, it is not possible to request FWD assessment. However, when the HAS contract is restored, if the document was not yet submitted to ENQ, it might be possible to request the FWD.
74	I think TCs are waiting more flexibility, communication, interaction with HAS consultants to better understand their concerns, to have the possibility to explain, align on what needs to be done. We have all experienced situations where misunderstanding leads to useless comments! I did not see any change from that perspective.	With the new HAS contract, the meetings will HAS consultants will be possible again. It is recommended that following a lack of compliance assessment, TCs organise meetings with the consultants to clarify the assessment.
75	What about lack of compliance for more than one EU Directives/Regulations (e.g.	Yes, for citation in the OJEU, it is important that the harmonized standard is compliant with all pieces of legislation. If the standard is only



	(LVD, EMC, RED)? Is the process valid for all of them?	compliant with one and not with the other, the standard will not be cited under both legislations.
76	I suppose that when the HAS assessments will be introduced, it will be done on the basis of a stable checklist from the EC? Has the EC confirmed that the checklist and the conformity with this checklist will - beyond any doubt - lead to citation?	When the HAS assessment system is restored, TCs will have to fill the ESO checklist. This checklist could be revised in the near future if needed. Fulfilling the checklist is important to ensure that some general aspects are tackled in the standard.
77	For IEC led projects under parallel vote, will the new contract allow for multiple assessments at CDV/ENG stage i.e. if there or 2 or more CDV stages and thus 2 or more ENQs with substantial changes to the CDV/ENQ, will there be an opportunity to have an assessment for each CDV?	Only one HAS assessment is possible at CDV/ENQ stage under the new contract. However, for the FDIS stage, a flexible final HAS assessment is possible when appropriate.
78	when we will know who is the official HAS contractor? (Hoping it will be Ernst and Young)	When the new contract is signed, the EC will inform CEN and CENELEC. This should be somewhere between 2022-04-01 and 2022-05- 31.
79	For ISO lead VA at END/DIS, will ISO provide additional flexibility on the timeframe?	It is important that TCs get in touch with the ISO Committee manager to align the two processes and wait for the HAS assessment.
80	Is there any possibility to include in the SR for example related Drones, the budget of a necessary HAS assessment??	The SREq cannot include a requirement for HAS budget.
81	What is the influence of ongoing Acquis process?	The Acquis process is not related to the HAS assessment system. However, if the EC decides to use the Acquis work for the development of standardization requests in support of the CPR, then HAS consultants for construction will assess those draft harmonized standards.
82	In the event that the new contract is not awarded to EY, will details of the current HAS consultants be passed to the new contractor?	Yes, in case EY is not the HAS contractor, a handover is foreseen.
83	Could you confirm the new possibility for HAS consultants to decide a conditional compliance is only due to dates of normative references?	If the only issue preventing the consultant giving a 'Compliant' assessment is the fact that normative references are still draft standards being developed at the same time and stage as
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		the draft hEN, then a 'Conditional compliance' should be given. Normally after FV, the CCMC editor will change the normative reference FprEN into the final publication year and ask TC for validation. When the standard is offered to the EC for citation, the normative references should be all corrected.
84	If a document under the old contract has already received a 'Lack of Compliance' for FV-assessment and is now going to FV soon in revised form, will it be possible to request a 4th assessment under the new contract?	Yes, it might be possible to request a final HAS assessment. This should be confirmed with the HAS contractor. CCMC PM can provide support.
85	The actual response time for HAS assessment is 5 weeks after submission of the draft. What should be the impact of the backlog?	It's possible that at the beginning of the HAS contract, some delays in delivering the report may occur due to the backlog even though the deadline is 5 weeks.
86	Is it possible to get the Commission checklist for information, independently from the EC assessment? It would be a very useful document, which should maybe replace the recent CCMC checklist	Yes, the EC checklist will be uploaded on the CEN and CENELEC BOSS pages. Furthermore, the ESO checklist may be revised for further improvement.
87	Has this very EU-specific process been discussed and harmonized with the international standardization organizations?	Yes, the process was discussed with ISO and IEC regarding those projects developed in parallel.
88	But to convert the "conditional compliance" into a "real one": Do the TCs have to monitor this and become active once that the issue of the "other standard" is resolved? Or will CCMC take care of this? Or is it resolved by a simple remark in the OJ?	If the only issue preventing the consultant giving a 'Compliant' assessment is the fact that normative references are still draft standards being developed at the same time and stage as the draft hEN, then a 'Conditional compliance' should be given. Normally after FV, the CCMC editor will change the normative reference FprEN into the final publication year and ask TC for validation. When the standard is offered to the EC for citation, the normative references will be all corrected.
89	At the moment, how to handle the current final drafts which have been assessed "lack of compliance" at FV within the frame of the former "HAS contract"? Do we have to	The TC must decide how to move forward. For example, 1) address the comments from the consultant and proceed to FV/publication; 2) wait



90	wait for the application of the new "HAS contract" to proceed with then?Does the period of time allocated to an HAS consultant for an assessment remains 6 weeks within the new contract?	for a new assessment; 3) remove the link to legislation and proceed to publication. It remains the same, i.e., 5 weeks.
91	On the new HAS contract, is there more requirements for the respect of the timeline for the evaluation of HAS contracts today, they didn't respect the delay	The deadline for assessing standards will remain the same: 5 weeks. At the beginning of the contract there could be some delays, but we are expecting that the reports will be in general delivered on time.
92	Hopefully this system gets cured at some point.	The new HAS contract will be improved compared to the old one.
93	where is it possible to find the checklist?	The EC checklist will be uploaded on the CEN and CENELEC BOSS pages. Furthermore, the ESO checklist may be revised for further improvement.