

European Standardization Organizations

# European Public Procurement Network – CCMC update

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# European Public Procurement

- ▶ Small % of public procurement takes place across borders. Increasing x-border PP would enhance competition and lower market prices;
- ▶ References to standards in PP contracts adds more clarity and transparency to the market. Improves a bidder's chance to respond to tenders;
- ▶ Increased use of standards leads to a more efficient and transparent procurement process;
- ▶ Why is it so important to improve the use of standards in public procurement?
- ▶ Because referencing standards can reduce costs!

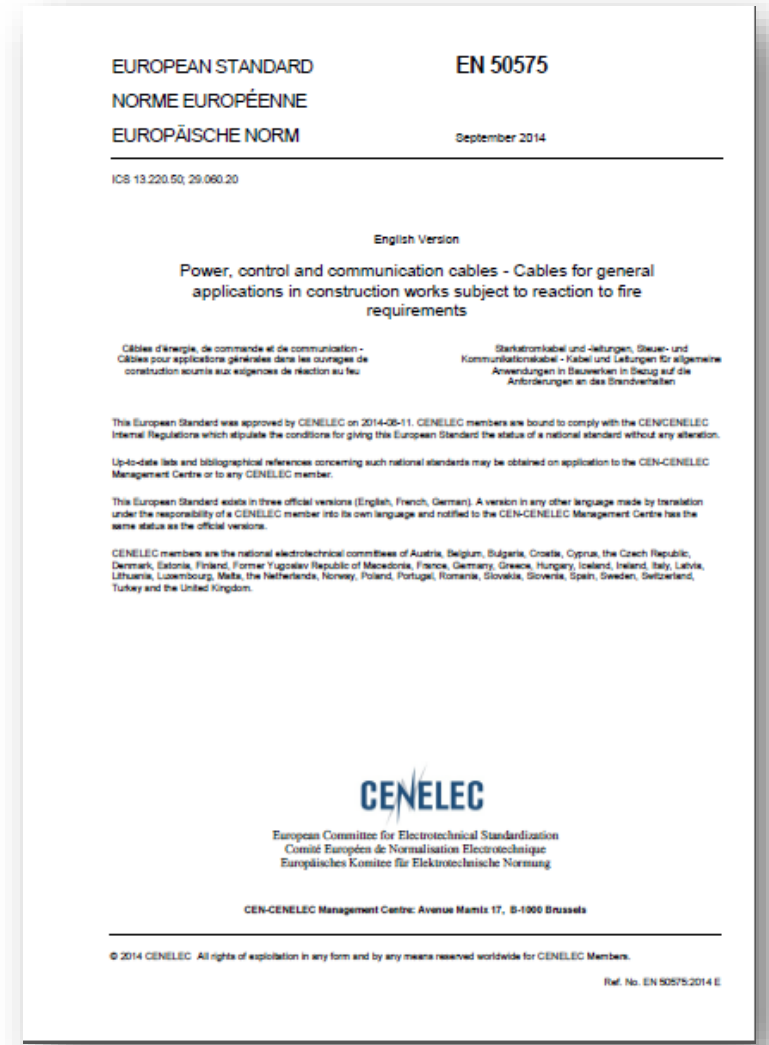




# European Standard



- Produced by all *interested parties through a transparent, open and consensus-based process*
- *Voluntary* in use
- Approved by a *recognized body*
- A document for a *common* and *repeated* use
- Automatically *transposed* into national standards and therefore *conflicting national standards are to be withdrawn*
- Integration with *international* standardization work
- A tool to underpin *legislation*



- ▶ The Joint Initiative set out a shared vision of standardisation and specific actions to be delivered
- ▶ **JIS A11**: Increased use of standards in Public Procurement (PP) to better implement the PP Directives
- ▶ Two main deliverables:
  - Report on referencing standards in public procurement
  - Guide for referencing standards in public procurement

<https://www.cencenelec.eu/standards/Topics/PublicProcurement/Pages/JIS11.aspx>

- **CEN/TC 461 'Public Procurement'** (SIS)
  - prEN XXX, Public procurement - Integrity, accountability and transparency – Requirements and guidance, Public Enquiry date 2021-07-06
- **CEN/TC 447 'Horizontal standards for the provision of services'** (BSI)
  - EN 17371-3:2020, Provision of services - Part 3: Management of Performance Measurement - Guidance on the mechanism to measure performance as part of service contracts
  - FprEN EN 17371-1, Provision of services - Part 1: Service procurement - Guidance for the assessment of the capacity of service providers and evaluation of service proposals, expected publication March 2021
  - prEN 17371-2, Provision of services - Part 2: Services Contracts – Guidance for the design, content and structure of contracts, Formal Vote date 2021-03-25



# Way forward

- ▶ Every Member State has their own way of handling public procurement, often missing out best practices in Europe
- ▶ CEN and CENELEC have an important role to play in harmonizing the market and in providing the standards that can be referenced in public procurement
- ▶ ‘National delegation principle’
- ▶ Enhance synergies in the field, notably with national public procurement authorities

*Thank you for your attention!*



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