

**Awareness and compliance with the rules for product quality and safety –  
the effective approach to ensure safety**

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The presentation aims to contribute to a better understanding of EU product rules and to a more uniform and consistent application of these rules across the various sectors of the industry as well as throughout the single market.

It targets all economic operators (manufacturers, authorized representatives, importers, distributors) who need to be informed about the provisions designed to ensure the free movement of goods, as well as a high level of protection throughout the EU.

The principle of free movement of goods is a key component in the creation and development of the internal market. Regulatory barriers for more than 80% of industrial products have been removed through the adoption of common European rules that create a sustainable market with over 500 million consumers.

The development of EU legislative techniques in this area is gradual, as the problems are resolved one after the other, and sometimes in parallel. Its final stage is the adoption of the New Legislative Framework:

- essential or other legal requirements;
- product standards, norms;
- rules on the competence of conformity assessment bodies;
- accreditation policy;
- quality management standards;
- conformity assessment procedures;
- CE marking;
- market surveillance policy, including control of products from third countries.

All consumers, when purchasing a product, want to make sure that it is safe and meets all legal (regulatory) requirements.

The commissioning takes place at the time of the first use of the product within the European Union by the end user for the purposes for which the product is intended.

When the product is put into operation by an employer for use by their employees, the employer is considered as the end user.

Economic operators and employers, who are aware of and steadily comply with the rules for product quality and safety, ensure safety and minimize the risk of accidents.

As a third independent country, the activities of the Center for Testing and European Certification (CEEC), divided into 9 business lines, benefit economic operators and employers.