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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- JIS two years later - Online 10 October
- World standard days - Brussels 12 October
- Digital transformation of public procurement - Lisbon 18 October
- Workshop - Essentials for drafting hEN - Brussels 22 October
- Fire Safety Engineering Workshop - Brussels 9 November
- Raw materials week - Brussels 12-16 November
- Level(s) conference - Brussels 18 December

## TWEET OF THE MONTH



By using #Harmonized

European #standards under the #CPR, #manufacturers can make the declaration of performance (#DoP) of the product and affix the #CEmarking. Register here for our free workshop on 22/10:

<https://t.co/lzdbeG0syL>

@EU\_Commission

@ConstructionEU

[pic.twitter.com/piXECu3Ht6](https://pic.twitter.com/piXECu3Ht6)



— CEN and CENELEC (@Standards4EU) September 28, 2018

## PUBLICATION OF THE MONTH



## Save the date Level(s) conference, Brussels 18th December

The Level(s) test phase is ongoing and will run until the summer of 2019. There are approximately 120 building projects actively testing the indicators of this "common language" throughout Europe.

Please note that the next Level(s) conference will take place in Brussels on 18th December. The objective is to discuss how the sector may shift towards a lifecycle approach. The event will also offer stakeholders to review the actual testing of Level(s) in both the residential and the non-residential markets

Our Vice-President, Cédric de Meeûs, whilst looking forward to taking part in the event stated that "The Level(s) voluntary scheme is promoting building-level approach embedding life cycle thinking when assessing sustainable construction. We believe this common and comprehensive language will help EU construction actors driving forward the 2050 low-carbon agenda."

We will inform you of the registration procedure and agenda as soon as these are available.

## Skills Blueprint for the Construction Industry

The project was submitted in the framework of the Erasmus+ Programme – 2018 call for proposals. It was approved in August by the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) which is managing the programme on behalf of the European Commission. This 4-years project with a budget of €4 million should start on 1st January 2019. It is driven by a consortium of 24 partners from 12 countries and the lead partner is FLC-Fundacion Laboral de la Construccion (Spain). Our colleagues from FIEC, EBC and the EFBWW are amongst the partners.

Those interested in skills development will be invited to attend seminars and workshops. We will keep you



invite. The official registration will be sent soon but you can save the date in your calendars.

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## **EASME study on internationalisation of SMEs from the European Construction sector**

The contract is being carried out by VVA and CSES and its objective is the provision of tailor-made proposals for EU public support to SMEs in their efforts to internationalise their activities beyond the borders of the EU, and specifically in Africa-Caribbean-Pacific, Asia, Latin America, the Balkans and the Middle-East.

The outcomes of the study will feed into a strategy for possible EU action to support the internationalisation of EU SMEs from the construction sector in third markets. The study includes wide-ranging consultation with stakeholders. Companies or other individuals or organisations that would like to know more about the study, or provide policy inputs, are invited to contact [Mr. Pierre Hausemer](#). The research team is particularly interested in hearing of any success stories that could be the basis of learning lessons for other SMEs hoping to internationalise to those markets.

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