

COMMISSION PROGRESS REPORT**72nd MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ART. 19 OF DIRECTIVE 89/106/EEC
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This report covers the EC services contribution to EOTA work, such as EC authorisations/confirmations for EOTA requests and the endorsement of ETA Guidelines.

1. EOTA REQUESTS

54 EOTA requests have been introduced since the Standing Committee on Construction meeting in February 2011	
EC Authorisations Articles 8.2a/8.3	01.02/11; 01.03/18amended; 01.06/13; 02.04/11; 03.01/76; 03.02/24; 03.02/25; 03.04/26amended; 03.04/27; 04.03/03; 04.04/35amended; 04.04/52amended; 04.04/53; 04.04/54; 04.04/55; 06.01/30; 06.02/15; 06.03/11; 06.05/34; 06.05/35; 07.01/07amended; 07.04/19; 07.04/20; 11.03/06; 12.01/39; 12.01/40; 12.01/41; 12.02/04
EC Confirmations Article 8.2b	03.01/75; 03.01/77; 03.01/78; 03.01/79; 03.01/80; 03.01/81; 03.01/84; 03.02/22amended; 03.04/28amended; 03.04/29; 04.01/14; 05.04/15; 06.02/16amended; 06.03/10; 06.03/12; 12.01/37amended
in Member States consultation	12.01/42
not yet handled by the Commission	non
rejected /sent back to EOTA for correction or clarification	01.02/10; 01.03/18; 03.01/82; 03.01/83; 03.02/22; 03.04/26; 03.04/28; 04.04/52; 06.02/16

Since October 2008 the EC services have given to EOTA **173** Authorisations/Confirmations for issuing ETAs according to the procedure of Article 9.2 CPD (without ETAG). Nine out of 54 EOTA requests introduced since February 2011 had to be sent back to EOTA for reconsideration because the need for developing a Common Understanding of Assessment Procedure (CUAP) was not justified sufficiently, or the relevant Article 8.2a (no hEN available) or Article 8.2b CPD (deviation from a hEN) has not been applied unambiguously or because the reference to the correct Attestation of Conformity system has not been made. The number EOTA requests which had to be sent back and introduced twice increased although these requests had passed the EOTA Technical Board consultation.

The EC services have been informed by EOTA that **185** CUAPs are still under development, as compared to the number of **162** pending CUAPs three years ago. Taking into account that after EC confirmation or authorisation for EOTA requests according to CPD Article 8.2a,b and Article 8.3 the EC services are no longer involved in the preparation and endorsement of CUAPs, information about the steps taken by EOTA to finalise pending CUAPs are expected to be given in EOTA's report.

2. ETA GUIDELINES

Three ETAGs and four ETAG amendments have been endorsed after Member States consultation since the last status report to the SCC meeting in February 2011 (see Table 2.6 of the present report).

Tables 2.3 and 2.4 include ETAGs under preparation in EOTA. In order to cofinance the development of these five still pending ETAGs, grant agreements based on Framework Agreements have been signed between EOTA and the Commission from 1998 to 2003. Since the elaboration of these ETAGs has not been fully finalised by EOTA, the EC services have not been able to execute fully these grant agreements and to pay the final amounts foreseen in the respective Order Vouchers.

Under these circumstances and due to the experience from past years, the EC services have not proposed a further Framework Agreements to cofinance the work on ETAGs.

Table 2.1

	Mandate to EOTA	Current state
1	Three-dimensional nailing plates (ETAG 015)	EOTA proposal for Mandate amendment received by EOTA letter of 07/06/2010 ; Amended Mandate (CONSTRUCT 10/884) and Justification (CONSTRUCT 10/885) sent for Member States consultation by EC letter of 18/06/2010 ; Mandate amendment sent to EOTA by EC letter of 04/10/2010 (Copy to SCC members) and uploaded on CIRCA

Table 2.2

	EOTA work programmes	Current state
1	Amendment of EOTA work programme ETAG 001 Metal Anchors for use in Concrete	Amended Mandate and request to amend the EOTA work programme sent to EOTA by EC letter of 03/06/2009; Amended WP ETAG Parts 1 to 5 received by EOTA letter of 12/02/2010; EC letter of 17/03/2010 to EOTA and SCC: SCC consultation on Mandate amendment because additional characteristic resistance to fire included in the EOTA WP; Mandate amendment and accepted work programme sent to EOTA by EC letter of 27/04/2010 and uploaded on CIRCA
2	Amendment of EOTA work programme ETAG 004 ETICS	Mandate amendment and request to amend the EOTA work programme sent to EOTA by EC letter of 03/06/2009; Amended WP received by EOTA letter of 19/01/2010 ; Accepted work programme sent to EOTA by EC letter of 18/06/2010 and uploaded on CIRCA
3	Finalisation EOTA work programme ETAG 030 Dowels for structural joints (Pins for structural joints)	EC comments sent by EC letter of 26/01/2009; Amended draft WP received by EOTA letter of 07/06/2010; EC comments on amended draft work programme sent to EOTA by EC letter of 23/08/2010 ; Amended draft EOTA work programme received 07/11/2010 ; Accepted work programme sent to EOTA by EC letter of 28/01/2011 and uploaded on CIRCA on 10/02/2011

Table 2.3

	ETAGs under preparation by EOTA	Current state
1	ETAG 030 Dowels for structural joints (Pins for structural joints) Order Voucher/2001-03	<i>draft ETAG expected for MS consultation</i>
2	ETAG 032 Expansion joints for road bridges Order Voucher/1999-05	<i>draft ETAG expected for MS consultation</i>

Table 2.4

	ETAGs introduced to the Commission for endorsement	EC comments/Member States comments sent to EOTA
1	ETAG 026 Fire stopping and fire sealing products Part 4 Reactive and mechanical air transfer grilles Order Voucher/1998-02	by EC letter of 02/10/2009
2	ETAG 028 Fire retardant products Order Voucher/2003-01	by EC letter of 05/10/2009
3	ETAG 034 Kits for external wall claddings, Part 1 Ventilated cladding elements and associated fixing devices Order Voucher/2001-02	by EC letter of 27/08/2009
4	ETAG 034 Kits for External Wall Claddings, Part 2 Cladding elements, associated fixing devices, subframe and possible insulation layer Order Voucher/2001-02	by EC letter of 27/08/2009

Table 2.5

	ETAG amendments (Progress files) introduced to the Commission	EC comments	Member States consultation
1	ETAG 002 Structural Sealant Glazing Systems	EC comments sent to EOTA by EC letter of 22/01/2010	<i>amended draft ETAG expected for MS consultation</i>
2	ETAG 006 Systems of mechanically fastened flexible roof waterproofing membranes	EC comments and comments from Finland sent to EOTA by EC letter of 04/05/2010	
3	ETAG 007 Timber building kits (purpose of the amendment was also to merge ETAG 012 Log building kits into ETAG 007)	introduced by EOTA on 18/01/2010; EC comments sent to EOTA by EC letter of 17/02/2010	amended draft ETAG and Comments Handling Document received by EOTA letter of 13/12/2010 ; Member States consultation 08/04/2011 - 08/06/2011; comments from Finland received on 23/06/2011 and sent together with EC comments to EOTA by EC letter of 04/07/2011
4	ETAG 013 Post-tensioning kits for prestressing of structures	amended draft ETAG received by EOTA 26/01/2011 ; EC comments sent to EOTA by EC letter of 26/05/2011	<i>final amended draft ETAG expected for MS consultation</i>
5	ETAG 018 Fire protective products Part 3 Renderings and rendering kits intended for fire resistant applications	EC comment sent to EOTA by EC letter of 26/03/2010	<i>amended draft ETAG expected for MS consultation</i>
6	ETAG 020 Plastic anchors (PAs) for multiple use in concrete and masonry for non-structural applications Part 1 General Part 2 PAs for use in normal weight concrete Part 3 PAs for use in solid masonry Part 4 Plastic anchors for use in hollow or perforated masonry Part 5 Plastic anchors for use in autoclaved aerated concrete (AAC) Annexes A, B, C	amended draft ETAG parts and Annexes received by EOTA letter of 22/08/2011	Member States consultation 26/08/2011 - 26/10/2011 ; Comments from Belgium and Commission comments sent to EOTA by EC letter of 18/11/2011

Table 2.6

	ETAG /ETAG amendment endorsed for publication and implementation	Current state
1	ETAG 001 Metal Anchors for use in Concrete Part 3 Undercut anchors Part 6 Anchors for non-structural applications Annex C Design methods	Comments Handling Document for comments from Finland and modified ETAG parts sent to the Finnish Head of delegation by EC letter of 17/09/2010 ; Member States invited to publish amended ETAG 001 according to Article 11(3) of the CPD by EC letter of 17/09/2010
2	ETAG 004 External Thermal Insulation Composite Systems	Comments Handling Document for comments from Belgium/Denmark/Finland and modified ETAG sent to the Belgian/Danish/Finnish Head of delegation by EC letters of 10/10/2011 ; Member States invited to publish amended ETAG 004 according to Article 11(3) of the CPD by EC letter of 13/10/2011
3	ETAG 014 Plastic anchors for fixing ETICS	Comments Handling Document for comments from Finland sent to the Finnish Head of delegation by EC letter of 14/03/2011 ; Member States invited to publish amended ETAG 014 according to Article 11(3) of the CPD by EC letter of 15/03/2011
4	ETAG 018 Fire protective products Part 2 Reactive coatings for fire protection of steel elements	Member States invited to publish amended ETAG 018 according to Article 11(3) of the CPD by EC letter of 06/12/2011
5	ETAG 018 Fire protective products Part 4 Fire protective board, slab and mat products and kits	Comments Handling Document for comment from Finland sent to the Finnish Head of delegation by EC letter of 12/01/2012 ; Member States invited to publish amended ETAG 018 according to Article 11(3) of the CPD by EC letter of 12/01/2012
6	ETAG 022 Watertight covering kits for wet room walls and or floors Part 2 Flexible sheets Part 3 Inherently watertight boards	Comments Handling Document for comments from Finland/Sweden and modified ETAG parts/part sent to the Finnish/Swedish Head of delegation by EC letters of 14/03/2011 and 08/03/2011 ; Member States invited to publish ETAG 022 according to Article 11(3) of the CPD by EC letter of 15/03/2011
7	ETAG 026 Fire stopping and fire sealing products Part 2 Penetration seals Part 3 Linear joint and gap seals	Member States invited to publish amended ETAG 026 according to Article 11(3) of the CPD by EC letter of 14/10/2011
8	ETAG 026 Fire stopping and fire sealing products Part 5 Cavity barriers	Member States invited to publish ETAG 026 according to Article 11(3) of the CPD by EC letter of 26/09/2011
9	ETAG 029 Metal injection anchors for use in masonry	Comments Handling Document for comments from Finland sent to the Finnish Head of delegation by EC letter of 16/06/2010 ; Member States invited to publish ETAG 029 according to Article 11(3) of the CPD by EC letter of 16/06/2010
10	ETAG 031 Inverted roof insulation kits Part 1 General Part 2 Insulation with protective finishing	Comments Handling Document for comments from Finland and modified ETAG parts sent to the Finnish Head of delegation by EC letter of 03/12/2010 ; Member States invited to publish ETAG 031 according to Article 11(3) of the CPD by EC letter of 14/12/2010
11	ETAG 033 Liquid applied bridgedeck waterproofing kits	Comments Handling Document for comments from Finland and modified ETAG sent to the Finnish Head of delegation by EC letter of 14/09/2010 ; Member States invited to publish ETAG 033 according to Article 11(3) of the CPD by EC letter of 16/09/2010
12	ETAG 035 Ultra thin layer Asphalt Concrete	Comments Handling Document for comments from Finland sent to the Finnish Head of delegation by EC letter of 28/04/2011 ; Member States invited to publish ETAG 035 according to Article 11(3) of the CPD by EC letter of 12/05/2011

Table 2.7

	ETAG amendment (informal part) for information	Current state
1	ETAG 001 Metal Anchors for use in Concrete Part 6 Anchors for non-structural applications	amended ETAG Part 6 received by EOTA letter of 14/04/2011 ; Member States informed about the amendment of informal part, without impact on the assessment methods for the performance of the product, by EC letter of 18/04/2011