CECIP Activity Report

CIML 2010
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Industry behind CECIP:

- 700 manufacturers
- Turnover 3 billion Euro in 2008
- 50,000 employees
- + 4000 to 5000 micro companies, 10,000 employees
- CECIP represents the national associations of weighing equipment manufacturers from 17 European countries. CECIP covers with its current members the whole productive capacity of the European weighing industry.
Economic situation

Turnover and imports/exports down in 2009

- All countries reported a significant decrease of economic output in 2009 and a difficult economic situation is still expected to continue during 2010.

- The turnover in terms of total production of our industry decreased of around 14% compared to 2008.

- With exports down of around 20% and imports down of 17% compared to 2008, Weighing industry is not an exception and suffers from downturn in whole Europe.
Activities in Europe of strong interest for CECIP:
European Commission projects:

1. Adoption of the "New Legislative Framework (NLF)" to measuring instruments directives (non-automatic weighing instruments (NAWID) and measuring instruments (MID))

   => detailed definition of and requirements to economic operators
   => additional responsibilities and more administrative requirements to the operators especially manufacturers
   => detailed regulations for conformity assessment modules for putting instruments into the market for applications under legal control
Activities in Europe of strong interest for CECIP:

European Commission projects:

(Still project 1)

=> strong requirement for market surveillance activities to be carried out by the member states (to protect users and achieve fair competition)

=> no change in technical requirements in the directives
Activities in Europe:
European Commission projects of strong interest for CECIP:

2. Revision of MID (measuring instruments directive) with discussion for:
   • Additional instruments to be integrated
   • Changes
Activities in OIML of strong interest for CECIP:

General:
OIML Recommendations play a big role especially in Europe (e.g. official normative documents under MID (Measuring instruments directive))

=> makes work of OIML important for CECIP
Activities in OIML of strong interest for CECIP:

1. Revision of OIML R60 (Load Cells (LC))

⇒ requirements must be in conformity with R76, R51 etc.

Reason: Manufacturers have to give declaration of conformity for weighing instruments even with LC bought from the market. Therefore they must sure that conformity is given by R60
Activities in OIML with strong interest for CECIP:

2. Recognition of manufacturer's test laboratories (MTL) under MAA
   => to find partners in industry with the same goal (= to reach a high level of conformity for products in the market) and give them a perspective
   => to give examples with some laboratories for others to follow
   => to offer an incentive for qualification to a manufacturer instead of giving him increasing costs without benefit

   => requirements are drafted and will be under discussion in the technical committee of OIML in October 2010
   => impartiality and independence is an important issue, this can be solved; such is of self-interest for the MTLs as well
Activities in OIML with strong interest for CECIP:

3. Document for uncertainty in measurement:
=> to set up rules and harmonize requirements in legal metrology which can be taken into account by
  - individual recommendations
  - testing of instruments during production
  - testing of instruments under legal control

=> important issue for the future although there are strong consequences to some well established recommendations; those have to be solved before harmonization is possible
Thank you for attention

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