

## **Topic:** Construction Products Regulation - Review

## Brief description and main aims:

The Construction Products Regulation (CPR) 305/2011 regulates the placing on the EU market of construction products. Amongst other things, CE Marking is applied to products in the framework of harmonised standards and a Declaration of Performance is required to accompany the product.

A revision of the CPR was already envisaged by the European Commission and this intention was repeated in the European Green Deal in 2019, with some more detail in the new Circular Economy Action Plan (see separate fact sheet).

## Why FIEC is dealing with this topic:

The CE Mark in the context of the CPR is widely misunderstood and contractors need more information than is provided in the accompanying Declaration of Performance. Over the years, FIEC has been lobbying for improvements to protect contractors from the legal uncertainty that exists and there have been several discussions regarding a possible revision of the CPR. The form that this might take has been the subject of many meetings and several studies have been undertaken. The European Commission's proposal for indicative options for the future of the CPR, published early in 2020, does not meet the needs of contractors. FIEC has therefore intensified its communication with the European Commission, the European Parliament and other relevant stakeholder representatives and this work will continue throughout 2021, when the proposal for the revised CPR is expected to be published.

## Actions and key dates (most recent):

April 2020 - Commission proposal, indicative options for future of CPR

**April 2020** – joint technical proposal for interim solutions from FIEC, European Builders Confederation, Small Business Standards and Construction Products Europe.

**20/05/2020** – meeting with Christian Doleschal MEP, European Parliament Rapporteur for CPR, with Small Business Standards, European Builders Confederation and Construction Products Europe.

**31/08/2020** – FIEC response submitted, to consultation on options for future of CPR **07/09/2020** – <u>joint discussion paper on CPR</u>: FIEC, Small Business Standards, European Builders Confederation, Construction Products Europe.

07/09/2020 – European Commission conference on CPR for Technical Stakeholders

09/09/2020 - Own initiative report 2020/2028(INI) Christian Doleschal MEP, Rapporteur

October 2020 - FIEC proposed amendment included in amendments to above

**12/11/2020** – FIEC reaction to above amendments submitted to Rapporteur Christian Doleschal MEP

17/02/2021 – Meeting with Christian Doleschal MEP (FIEC, SBS, EBC, CPE)

**2021** – Meetings with Construction Unit, DG GROW, European Commission (FIEC, SBS, EBC, CPE)

May 2021 – alternative Option F presented to FIEC members and Steering Committee July 2021 – alternative option presented in details to Construction Unit, DG GROW, European Commission

Autumn 2021 – Legislative proposal expected for revised CPR.