National Implementation in Cyprus: Progress and Challenges

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Progress so far for Implementation by March 2010

• CYS ENs published for all Eurocode parts in English
• Greek translations of the ENs will be obtained from ELOT
• 38 CY National Annexes went through a 2 month public inquiry period
• 11 CY National Annexes are ready and will be submitted for public inquiry in March 2008
• 10 CY National Annexes are under preparation and are expected to be completed by the end of April 2008
• Greek translations of the National Annexes are expected to be completed by September 2008
• All National Annexes should be published by late 2008

Implementation Challenges

Challenges to Authorities

• Introduction of the standards in legislation
• Provision of the necessary funds/resources for
  – Preparation of the National Annexes
  – Training of the professionals
  – Modification of procurement documents and technical specifications
  – Translation which is a continuous process

Challenges to Construction Professionals

• High cost of the standards
• Large volume of new information
• Availability of software and design aids

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Implementation Support in Cyprus

- Provided by the Ministry of Interior through the Scientific and Technical Chamber of Cyprus (ETEK)
- Supported by the Cyprus Standardisation Body (CYS) and the Human Resource Development Authority

Awareness campaign

- Information on the Websites of the Ministry of Interior, ETEK and CYS
- Information leaflets on the implementation of Eurocodes

Education, training, professional development

- 5 One-day seminars on more that one Eurocodes
- 31 Short-courses (20 hrs 25 people) on a particular Eurocode
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Thank you for your attention

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