PROMOTION FOR ADOPTION OF THE EUROCODES IN THE BALKAN REGION

JRC Enlargement & Integration Action

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J-C Juncker, President of the European Commission: **10 Political priorities**

1. **A New Boost for Jobs, Growth and Investment**

2. **A Connected Digital Single Market**

3. **A Resilient Energy Union with a Forward-Looking Climate Change Policy**

4. **A Deeper and Fairer Internal Market with a Strengthened Industrial Base**

5. **A Deeper and Fairer Economic and Monetary Union**

6. **A Reasonable and Balanced Free Trade Agreement with the U.S.**

7. **An Area of Justice and Fundamental Rights Based on Mutual Trust**

8. **Towards a New Policy on Migration**

9. **A Stronger Global Actor**

10. **A Union of Democratic Change**
Why adopting Eurocodes outside EU?

The EN Eurocodes enjoy considerable interest, because they are:

- **a complete set of design standards** that cover in a comprehensive manner all principal construction materials, all major fields of structural engineering and a wide range of types of structures and products

- **flexible codes**, offering the possibility for each country to adapt them to local conditions and practices through the so-called **Nationally Determined Parameters**

- **the most advanced and coherent codes** of practice

- **a comprehensive design tool**, which over a mid- to long- term period intends to cover additional fields of design, such as protection of the environment, resources, economy, energy saving, safety- and health conditions and security
Why adopting Eurocodes outside EU?

The EU supports the adoption of the Eurocodes outside CEN area because it contributes to the following foreign policy objectives:

- **External trade**: removal of technical barriers to trade with construction products, materials, and construction services

- **Enlargement, stabilisation and association**:
  - Candidate Countries: to fully implement the EU acquis
  - Potential Candidate Countries: to progressively align themselves with the EU acquis

- **European Neighbourhood Policy**: gradual convergence of legislative and regulatory frameworks with those of EU, with the ultimate goal of achieving a free trade area for goods and services.

- **Development**: transfer of state-of-the-art knowledge and technology

JRC contributes to the promotion of the Eurocodes outside EU in close collaboration with DG ENTR, DG ELAR, CEN/TC250 and CEN MC
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1) First workshop “Adoption of the Eurocodes in the Balkan region”, held on 5-6 December 2013 in Milan and at the JRC, Ispra, Italy

2) Second workshop “Building capacities for elaboration of NDPs and NAs of the Eurocodes in the Balkan region”, 4-5 November 2014, Skopje

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- **TG_1**: National Authorities and policy decision makers (24%)
- **TG_2**: National Standardization Bodies (24%)
- **TG_3**: Professional users of standards (13%)
- **TG_4**: Institution who will stream the determination of NDPs and the application and training on the Eurocodes (39%)
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- **46%** - TG_1: National Authorities and policy decision makers
- **35%** - TG_2: National Standardization Bodies
- **12%** - TG_3: Professional users of standards
- **7%** - TG_4: Institution who will stream the determination of NDPs and the application and training on the Eurocodes
Skopje (MK)

Implementation and Use of the Eurocodes in the Candidate and Potential Countries of the EU in the Balkan region

The workshop "Building capacities for elaboration of NDPs and NA of the Eurocodes in the Balkan region" is organised within the framework of the JRC Enlargement and Integration Action and intends to foster the implementation of the Eurocodes in non-EU countries in the Balkan region.

The main aims will be: to further facilitate adoption and implementation of the Eurocodes in the non-EU countries in the Balkan region and to deepen regional collaboration among non-EU countries in the Balkan region.

The workshop builds upon the activities carried out at the workshop on the Adoption of the Eurocodes in the Balkan region, held on 5-6 December 2013 in Milan and the JRC, Ispra, Italy.

Reference & description:
Implementation and use of the Eurocodes - training course [66 KB]
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Date, place & duration:
4-5 November 2014, Skopje, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia - Duration: 2 days

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Thank you for your attention

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