

SBS sectoral approach 2021 - Lifts

EFESME Monitoring Report

Report 1

WP 3 – Sectoral Approach

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➤ Task 3: Measure the impact of relevant European provisions on lift SMEs

During the first semester of 2021 (January – June), EFESME and SBS continued their monitoring activities, this year reduced to two tables/reports. The aim of the monitoring activities is to **check the national implementation of the main standards and Directives directly affecting the lift sector**, to have an holistic overview of the situation in the continent.

The standards monitored are: **EN 81-20, EN 81-21, EN 81-28, EN 81-50, EN 81-70, EN 81-72, EN 81-73, EN 81-77.**

The Directives monitored are: the **Lifts Directive 2014/33/EU** and the **Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC.**

The activity is conducted by contacting stakeholders all around Europe, representing the EU Member States, the EFTA Countries and the United Kingdom. The kind of stakeholders regularly contacted are:

- The EFESME members, which are national associations;
- The National Standardisation Bodies (NSBs);
- The Permanent Representations to the European Union (PermRep); and
- The national Chambers of Commerce.

The monitoring activity asks all stakeholders to update the table with the latest information regarding the eight standards and the two Directives. They also have the opportunity to submit comments detailing the status at national level, such as the translation into their language, the frequency of the same, and/or any difficulties encountered by SMEs over the years.

- **All the monitoring tables and the reports will be soon available on the EFESME website – currently under renovation.**

Between January 2021 and June 2021 2020, 16 out of 32 countries replied.

- **Four countries** (Austria, Greece, Hungary, Lithuania) **reported no changes about the standards** in the past six months.
- **The remaining 12 countries all reported updates on standards.**
- **There was only one update for what concerns the national implementation of the monitored Directives:** Greece corrected its previous inputs regarding the names of the national laws involved.

UPDATES ON STANDARDS

- **Three countries** (Estonia, Luxembourg and Sweden) **presented a new version of EN 81-70**. Sweden is also translating the standard into its national language;
- **One country** (Bulgaria) **announced several translations into its national language:** EN 81-20 and EN 81-50 will be available in Bulgarian in July, EN 81-72 and EN 81-73 will be translated by the end of the year; and EN 81-77 will be translated in 2022, plus some comments;
- **One country** (Croatia) **announced the new 2021 version of EN 81-70** and **corrected some previous details on EN 81-21;**
- **One country** (Czech Republic) **presented new versions of EN 81-20, EN 81-50 and EN 81-73;**
- **One country** (Ireland) **corrected the publication date of EN 81-73** to 2020;
- **One country** (Norway) **announced that EN 81-20 will be soon translated** into Norwegian;
- **One country** (Poland) **published the new version of EN 81-72 and EN 81-73** in December 2020;
- **One country** (Portugal) **announced that EN 81-28 and EN 81-77 will be translated** into the national language in 2021;
- **One country** (Slovakia) **presented a new version of EN 81-20**, published at the national level at the beginning of June 2021, and **corrected the publishing date of EN 81-50;**
- **One country** (Slovenia) **presented new versions of EN 81-20 and EN 81-50.**

The possibility of adding further EN 81 series standards to the monitoring activity is not excluded, should the experts involved consider it necessary, also taking into account the current revision in progress and the impact it will have on the whole series. The possibility of adding other standards was considered following an exchange of views with some of the stakeholders contacted, who expressed their **interest in seeing the monitoring activity expanded.**