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A Concise Survey of Security Standards and Certification Services

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Abstract

After the terrorist events in Paris and Brussels, it is considered more than ever crucial and essential for the European Union to proceed in a cohesion, close cooperation and establishment of a common language on security topics. A number of international standards to achieving the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy in terms of smart, sustainable and inclusive growth. Taking into account that Standards facilitate innovation by providing a balance between collaboration and competition, the existent and the ongoing security standards and certification schemes are oriented and focused to deal with the demands and the trends of the new era regarding the technological evolutions, threats, risks. This work is a literature review, a concise survey on the main European and United States certification services, organisations and standards. The challenge of robust and mutual beneficial collaborations internationally in transatlantic level is considering fundamental for many policy makers and security stakeholders. Scientist share their agony for joining contributions and efforts in order to achieve robustness and resilience in European and global environment that will lead in smart and resilient societies in a better world for the future generations.

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1. Introduction

The paper identifies the main organisations for security certification schemes and standards in USA and in the EU. The lack of EU legislation for certification schemes is to a certain extent covered by the international and European standards and the guidance from standardisation bodies. With regard to the security legislation framework, the EU and the Member States share competence in the area of security. The security legislation in the EU is sector-specific and provides useful insight as to requirements for security products and services. Demands relate to physical controls and training of personnel, as well as the performance and the functioning of the security equipment. The multi-layered risks of physical and digital nature urge for accountability, security and risk assessments. Access to information systems and prevention from illegal interception and interference to the data and systems are also significant requirements incorporated to the EU legislation.

Certification means guarantee of quality and evidence for conformity to a third independent party regarding products, systems, services and people. In general, the supplier can assess and declare the conformity of its product to requirements of a normative document, such as a standard, by herself. Certification however is performed by third parties, independent certification bodies which after performing an audit, they issue a certification for compliance of a product, service or person with specific requirements. In that case, the impartiality and independence of the third party are crucial for the credibility of the certificate, which will be issued. It is the certification scheme, which sets the rules, requirements and methodology on how the process will take place and what the end result will be. The certification scheme may seek to provide the product with a certificate of compliance with a standard. It might be the case instead, that a scheme is based on other normative documents or legal provisions, or both. **Conformity assessment** refers to the acknowledgement that a product, a system, a person or a board fulfils a set of fixed requirements (EN ISO/IEC 17000:2005). There are various conformity assessment bodies, such as test laboratories, calibration units, and inspection units in addition to certification and verification bodies. All confirm that the needed requirements are achieved. Those requirements are usually set through standards, laws, specifications and voluntary agreements among

parties. On this basis, obtaining a certificate is proof that a product complies to (or “conforms with”) specific legislation or other technical specifications or criteria.

Standardisation takes place on three different levels. **Worldwide** standards are developed by ISO (International Organization for Standardisation), IEC (International Electrotechnical Committee) and ITU (International Telecommunication Union). **European** standards are developed by CEN (European Committee for Standardisation), CENELEC (European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardisation) and ETSI (European Telecommunications Standards Institute), also called the three “European Standardisation Organisations” (ESOs). Throughout this document, whenever ISO is mentioned, this also included IEC and whenever CEN is mentioned, this also included CENELEC. The third level of standardisation is the **national** level. Most countries in the world and all European countries have one National Standardisation Body (NSB). Differences in standards and technical regulations between countries, “even when justified, may sometimes create technical barriers to trade”.⁸ On the other hand, a number of empirical studies highlight the positive effect of harmonized national standards on trade. Members of CEN and CENELEC are the NSBs from every EU Member State, the Former Yugoslav FYROM, Turkey and the three countries of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) – Iceland, Norway and Switzerland. The case of ETSI is different however. In ETSI Committees individuals, user groups and especially corporate organizations are members and not national representatives. All ISO standards are voluntary in use and in adoption.

The rules for adopting European standards on a national level differ from the rules for ISO standards. The European standardisation system is unique in the world. After the publication of a European Standard, each national standards body or committee is obliged to withdraw any national standard that conflicts with the new European Standard. Hence, one European Standard becomes the national standard in all the 33 member countries of CEN and/or CENELEC. As soon as CEN decides to adopt an ISO standard as an EN, this document automatically has to be adopted by the member countries as well and becomes, for example, DIN-EN-ISO. A majority of European Standards are initiated by business and developed in partnership with other stakeholders. Around 30% are mandated by the European Commission in the framework of EU legislation. Following the plurality of notions of security, the EU legislation uses the term in several contexts. Not every legal text relating to security however is of use for this analysis. The analysis below will present the main legal texts at EU level that are related to security. The presentation will follow the areas of security as in CRISP glossary, which are:

- Security of Citizens
- Security of Infrastructures
- Border Security
- Crisis Management.

For the above four security domains there are respectively eleven different relative functions, which are the Detect, Locate, Track, Assess, Identify, Verify, Authorise, Control, Create Situational Awareness, Detain and Prevent/Protect.

2. Existing Inventories for Security Standards and Certification Schemes

2.1. Security standards from International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO)

The ISO inventory for security related standards was prepared by ISO Strategic Advisory Group on Security (SAG-S). The SAG-S issued a call to ISO members, the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) and the International Telecommunication Union's Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T) asking that they provide standards in the field of security. This inventory of standards has been divided into three broad areas of security dealing with targets, threats and timelines.

2.1.1. Targets

This inventory is limited to those standards associated with *targets* – people, infrastructure and other assets – that may be vulnerable to security threats. This inventory of security targets standards and specifications identifies a collection of documents (which it refers to as standards even though they encompass more than traditional ISO, IEC and ITU standards) that provide guidance on meeting the

needs posed by organizations concerned about security threats from man-made or natural disasters. While its primary audience is standards developers, it can also be helpful for developers of products and services and policy makers in the security field. The main taxonomy of standards in the category of Targets ISO Inventory are as bellow:

Food and Agriculture

Food and agriculture as a target includes agricultural production services, animal producers, plant producers, food processors and manufacturers, restaurant and food service companies, and warehouse and logistics facilities. Standards entries here are subdivided into

- Food and
- Agricultures

Water

The water target includes public drinking water and water supply pipelines, wastewater systems (treatment plants and management), irrigation (dams, channels, canals) and storm water drainage systems. Standards entries here are subdivided into

- Water Supplies,
- Drinking Water and
- Wastewater.

Energy

The energy target consists of thousands of geographically dispersed electricity, oil and natural gas assets that are connected by systems and networks. The energy target includes specific assets such as SmartGrid and nuclear power plants. The entries here are subdivided into three major categories:

- Electric Utilities,
- Nuclear Energy and
- Oil, Gas and Pipelines.

Information and Communications Technology (ICT)

The ICT target includes voice, video, internet as well as data services and systems. The transmission of these services has become interconnected; satellite, wireless, and wireline providers depend on one another to carry and terminate their traffic, and companies routinely share facilities and technology with one another to ensure interoperability. This target also includes the reliable operation of networks and systems and the movement and storage of critical data. Other aspects of this target sector include incident-management communications; domain-name resolution services; Internet-based content and information; Internet routing, access and connection services. Subcategories in this broad target area are likely to expand, but the initial set is

- Identification Cards,
- Information Security and Healthcare Informatics,
- Biometrics and
- Communications.

Industrial Base

The industrial base is composed of several broad manufacturing industries. These industries include, but are not limited to chemical and petrochemical facilities; primary metal manufacturing; machinery manufacturing; electrical equipment and IT component manufacturing; and transportation equipment manufacturing. This target also includes the thousands of worldwide industrial facilities with varying capabilities to perform, research and development, design, produce, deliver and maintain military weapons systems, subsystems, components, or parts for the military infrastructure. The industrial base target is subdivided into

- Modeling, Simulation and Analysis,
- Intrusion Prevention, Sensors and Detectors,
- Fire Prevention and
- Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning.

Public Safety, Emergency Services and Healthcare

This target includes first responder and emergency medical services provided to the public in the face of manmade and natural disasters. It also includes hospitals, clinics and ambulatory care, blood

banks, population-based care provided by health agencies, and pharmaceutical research and manufacturing companies. Standards entries here are subdivided into

- Public Safety,
- Emergency Services and
- Healthcare

(Security standards for Healthcare Informatics are covered in an IT section).

Transportation

The transportation and logistics target includes all the modes of transportation that move tens of millions of passengers and trillions of US\$ in goods in a vast interdependent network. This target includes roads and highways, railroads, bridges, tunnels, seaports, airports, waterways, train stations, mass transit venues. This target sector is subdivided into

- Infrastructure,
- Intermodal and Rail,
- Maritime (3.7.3) and
- Air Cargo.

Two additional subcategories are devoted to standards for tools used to inspect and track assets in transportation and logistics networks: Radiofrequency Identification Devices (RFID) and X-ray Inspection Systems.

Mass Gatherings

The mass gathering target includes facilities that operate on the principle of open public access, meaning that the general public can move freely throughout these facilities without the deterrent of highly visible security barriers. The sector comprises subsectors including lodgings, resorts, government buildings, commercial office buildings, convention centers, stadiums/arenas, theme parks, schools, and church/religious centers. This target is subdivided into

- Public Places and
- Special Events and Sports Venues.

2.1.2. Threats

This inventory is limited to those standards associated with security threats. This inventory of security threat standards and specifications identifies a collection of documents (which it refers to as standards even though they encompass more than traditional ISO, IEC and ITU standards) that provide guidance on meeting the needs posed by organizations concerned about security threats from man-made or natural disasters. While its primary audience is standards developers, it can also be helpful for developers of products and services and policy makers in the security field. There are many possible means of organizing the set of standards identified in this document. The approach taken here is to categorize security standards in terms of threats, in terms of chronology of an event (timelines) and in terms of targets of a terrorist attack or infrastructure that must be protected from natural disasters. This organization does not provide mutually exclusive categories, but rather categories that can be added together to provide increasingly detailed guidance to users. Standards will be listed in all areas that apply, and standards concerned with risk management may well appear in two or three of the categories.

Chemical, Biological, Radiological/Nuclear and Explosives (CBRNE) threats

Chemical, Biological, Radiological/Nuclear and Explosives (often abbreviated to CBRNE) is protective measures taken in situations in which any of these four hazards are present. CBRNE standards address products and services that relate to detection, personnel protection, decontamination, and mitigation.

- **Chemical threats:** Includes warfare agents, toxic industrial chemicals, toxic industrial materials, aerosol dispersion, water contamination, tank cars (Cl2), chemical plants, release of chemicals, and hazardous materials.
- **Biological threats:** Includes agent itself, viruses (ex. H1N1), proteins/toxins (ex. Ricin) and bacteria (ex. *Bacillus anthracis*) and outcomes such as pandemics or infestations.
- **Radiological/Nuclear threats:** Includes fission products (spent fuel), medical isotopes and industrial isotopes, and special nuclear material.

- **Explosives threats:** Includes conventional military and industrial explosives, ANFO (ammonium nitrate/fuel oil), and homemade (TATP) and precursors to homemade explosives.

Cybersecurity threats

Cybersecurity includes disruptive activities, or the threat thereof, against computers and/or networks, with the result of harm.

Criminal threats

Standards which relate to criminal threats, excluding cyber threats which are in their own separate category, are those intended to aid in identifying criminals such as biometrics standards and those that categorize criminal activities such as fraud and counterfeiting.

Natural Disasters

Natural disasters present a wide range of threats to the populace. Standards for the natural disaster threats are subdivided here into categories of Geological Hazards and Meteorological Hazards. Many of these recurring disasters can be anticipated based on historical records and increasingly accurate forecasting methodologies. Target communities may identify more specific guidance on standards in the Targets and Timelines Collections.

- Geological Hazard threats (they include: Earthquakes, tsunamis, volcanoes, landslides, mudslides, subsidence, glaciers and icebergs).
- Meteorological Hazard threats.

2.1.3. Timelines

This inventory is limited to those standards associated with *timelines* – that is, standards associated with the temporal dimension of a large scale natural disaster or terrorist attack. This inventory of security timelines standards and specifications identifies a collection of documents (which it refers to as standards even though they encompass more than traditional ISO, IEC and ITU standards) that provide guidance on meeting the needs posed by organizations concerned about security threats from man-made or natural disasters. While its primary audience is standards developers, it can also be helpful for developers of products and services and policy makers in the security field. There are many possible means of organizing the set of standards identified in this document. The approach taken here is to categorize security standards in terms of the temporal *timeline* of a terrorist attack or natural disaster, in terms of targets, and in terms of security threats. This organization does not provide mutually exclusive categories, but rather categories that can be added together to provide increasingly detailed guidance to users. Standards will be listed in all areas that apply, and standards concerned with risk management may well appear in two or three of the categories.

Preparedness

Preparedness is the first overlapping phase that covers analysing, planning, resources, training, exercising, impact reduction, validation and organization of organizational capabilities. In this Timelines Collection, *Preparedness* has subcategories for

- Training and
- Equipment.

Response

Response is the second overlapping phase that covers the immediate actions to save human life, protect property and the environment, and meet basic human needs. This also includes the execution of emergency plans and actions by incident managers. In this Timelines Collection, *Response* has several subcategories:

- Communications
- Incident Management
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Equipment

Recovery

Recovery is the third overlapping phase that generally covers the actions of trained technical personnel to triage the incident scene. These will include law enforcement officers to collect evidence, public utility technical staff to restore power, communications, water and transportation, and hazardous

materials specialists to decontaminate personnel as well as critical facilities.

Remediation

Remediation is the last overlapping phase that returns the organisation or 'environment' back to normality or a new normality, and attempts to enhance the capability of the organization or 'environment' to withstand future comparable incidents.

2.2. Security standards from National Institute for Standards and Technology for Standardisation (NIST, USA)

NIST has brought together major stakeholders from the retail and security industries, computer vision technologists/developers, the research community, law enforcement, and government agencies in a common mission to advance the state-of-the-art in predictive video analytics. The focus of the VISITORS project is to advance technologies and methodologies used to detect persons engaged in suspicious activities as applied in the retail domain. The initial "meeting of the minds" was held via a technical symposium in June 2010 to identify interest and key issues among the stakeholders. The resulting roadmap indicating the pathway ahead is now available. From helping to develop technologies that detect explosives and locate survivors in a collapsed building to video software that identifies criminals and high endurance building materials, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is working to keep people safe. The main four subject areas are included in the Public Safety/Security Portal:

- Consumer Safety
- First Responder
- Homeland Security
- Law Enforcement

2.2.1. Consumer safety

Support of Industry Compliance with the EU Directive on Restriction of Certain Hazardous Substances (RoHS)

The Chemical Sciences Division is involved in development of standards and reference materials for restricted hazardous substances through participation in international test method development programs, by providing existing Standard Reference Materials (SRMs) for test method validation, and by investing in development of new SRMs. Chemical Sciences Division involvement with RoHS is based in large measure on feedback obtained during a NIST workshop in October 2005, which resulted in a prioritized list of materials for new SRMs. Current projects include production of SRMs for lead-free solder and free-cutting brass containing high levels of restricted substances. Collaborations are underway with the National Institute of Metrology of China (NIM-C) and the Institute for Reference Materials and Measurements (IRMM) of the European Union (EU).

Support of the Consumer Products Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA) of 2008 – Lead in Paint on Toys: After enactment of the CPSIA, a collaboration was established between the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and NIST.

Video Surveillance Technologies for Retail Security (VISITORS)

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2.2.2. First responder portal

Calibration of Beta-Particle Sources and Instruments for Radiation Protection

A calibration service for protection-level beta-particle sources and instrumentation has been in place at NIST for several years.

Metrology and Standards for Canine Olfactory Detection of Explosives

As part of a multi-year interagency agreement between the Office of Standards of the Department of Homeland Security and NIST.

700 MHz Band Channel Propagation Model

To provide telecommunications designers working in public safety communications with channel propagation models to use in simulation and testing.

NIST Test Bed for Explosives Trace Detection

The NIST Entry Point Screening Test Bed conducts fundamental research to generate measurements and standards that address critical challenges.

Polymer Microspheres by Annular Co-Flow Extrusion

Well characterized test materials are essential for validating the performance of trace explosive detection systems.

2.2.3. Homeland security portal

Main Subject Areas are:

- Chemical/Biological/Radiological/Nuclear/Explosives (CBRNE)
- Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP)
- Cybersecurity
- National Construction Safety Team Investigations

The relative Programs and Projects include:

Development of NIST Standard Reference Materials for Trace Explosives Detection

As part of a multiyear interagency agreement between NIST and the Office of Standards of the Department of Homeland Security, NIST is developing a

Cyber-Physical Systems for Global Cities Project

Cyber-Physical Systems (CPS) provide cities with a pathway to enhance and integrate key infrastructures and systems to dramatically improve.

Cyber-Physical Systems Testbed Design Concepts Project

A key challenge to progress in cyber-physical systems (CPS) is the lack of robust platforms for experiment and testing, which NIST is addressing.

Reference Architecture for Cyber-Physical Systems Project

Cyber-Physical Systems (CPS) are smart systems that include engineered interacting networks of physical and computational components. CPS

Cybersecurity for Smart Manufacturing Systems

The Cybersecurity for Smart Manufacturing Systems project will deliver a cybersecurity risk management framework with supporting guidelines.

Standard Test Methods for Response Robots

The U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is developing a comprehensive set of standard test methods.

2.2.4. Law enforcement portal

Subject Areas

- Ballistics
- Biometrics
- Communications
- Forensics
- Weapons & Protective Systems

The main relative Programs and Projects are:

Development of NIST Standard Reference Materials for Trace Explosives Detection

As part of a multiyear interagency agreement between NIST and the Office of Standards of the Department of Homeland Security.

Metrology and Standards for Canine Olfactory Detection of Explosives

As part of a multi-year interagency agreement between the Office of Standards of the Department of Homeland Security and NIST.

Personal Body Armor

Our goal is to prevent the catastrophic failure of ballistic body armor by developing measurements and predictive models to test.

NIST Test Bed for Explosives Trace Detection

The NIST Entry Point Screening Test Bed conducts fundamental research to generate measurements and standards that address critical challenges.

Public Safety Communication Systems

The primary objective of the Public Safety Communications Research program is to lead the development of wireless telecommunications.

Video Surveillance Technologies for Retail Security

NIST has brought together major stakeholders from the retail and security industries, computer vision technologists/developers, the research etc.

2.3. Organization of Scientific Area Committees (OSAC) Catalog of External Standards and Guidelines

OSAC is part of an initiative by NIST and the Department of Justice to strengthen forensic science in the United States. The organization is a collaborative body of more than 500 forensic science practitioners and other experts who represent local, state, and federal agencies; academia, and industry. NIST has established OSAC to support the development and promulgation of forensic science consensus documentary standards and guidelines, and to ensure that a sufficient scientific basis exists for each discipline. The OSAC Catalog of External Standards and Guidelines is a collection of standards, guidelines and other documents applicable to forensic science. None of the documents in the catalog have been developed or approved by OSAC (the Organization of Scientific Area Committees). NIST staff compiled the catalog in early 2015 for OSAC members to assess existing standards, guidelines and best practices that are already publicly available. OSAC committees may propose standards and guidelines from the catalog to submit for inclusion in the OSAC Registry of Approved Standards or OSAC Registry of Approved Guidelines, only after following a rigorous OSAC approval process. They may also develop new standards and guidelines for the OSAC registries to replace current documents in the catalog. They may also develop entirely new and original standards and guidelines. OSAC subcommittees met in early 2015 to review the Catalog of External Standards and Guidelines and to begin determining priority needs. It contains the titles and source information for more than 700 standards, guidelines and related documents. The catalog also lists web addresses for documents that are available online.

2.4. Telecommunications Security Group (TSG) standards, USA

The Telecommunications Security Group (TSG) is a Joint Working Group of the Committee on US National Security Systems (CNSS) that was established under the EO 13231 committee to protect the US National Security Systems. Main series of standards are the TGS Standard 1, TGS Standard 2, TGS Standard 2a, TGS Standard 3, TGS Standard 4, TGS Standard 5, TGS Equipment Spread sheet 2.

3. Existing Inventories for European Security Standards and Certification Schemes

3.1. Security standards from European Standardisation Organisations (ESOs)

European standardisation is a key instrument for the consolidation of the single market and for strengthening the competitiveness of European companies, thereby creating the conditions for economic growth. Standardisation in the EU contributes "in a significant way to the functioning of the single market, the protection of health and safety, the competitiveness of industry and the promotion of international trade, and has been supporting an increasing range of community policies". International collaborations taking place under the Dresden and Vienna Agreements. The European Security Research and Innovation Agenda [ESRIA, COM (2009)] is the final result of the two-year analysis carried out by ESRIF on security challenges facing Europe. ESRIF sets out policy and operational recommendations for achieving stronger security research and innovation results. The Communication COM (2009), 21 December 2009, "A European Security Research and Innovation Agenda - Commission's initial position on ESRIF's key findings and recommendations" essentially summarized the ESRIF report

and the ESRIA proposal. The **Stockholm Programme**, adopted by the European Council in December 2009, provides a roadmap for EU work in the area of justice, freedom and security for the period 2010-14. The Programme invites the Council and Commission to develop the **Internal Security Strategy (ISS)**, with a vision of improving the protection of citizens and the fight against organized crime and terrorism by ensuring that the strategy's priorities *'are tailored to the real needs of users and focus on improving interoperability'*.

The need for a more harmonized European framework to enhance the competitiveness of the EU security industry was concluded by the *Research for a Secure Europe (2004)* and the 2009 ECORYS126 and 2011 ECORYS127 studies on security competitiveness and regulation. More harmonized European regulatory frameworks and standards have begun to take shape in the field of security, encouraged by the development of the EU Security Industrial Policy. In particular, this is taking place within the CEN/CENELEC/ETSI framework under **Mandate M/487 on Security Standards** to develop a work programme for the definition of European Standards and other standardisation deliverables in the area of security (where security refers to protection against threats by terrorism, serious and organized cross-border crime, natural disasters, pandemics and major technical accidents, excluding defence and space technologies). The Action Plan for an Innovative and Complete Security Industry [COM(2012)] was communicated in July 2012 and has three particular objectives: overcoming the fragmentation of the EU security market, reducing the gap from research to market and better integration of the societal dimension. Standards complement European and national policies in many areas. On the field of security standardisation, *Mandate M/487* ushered a new phase in the area of security with a particular emphasis on cooperation with the widest range of interested groups. The process towards this mandate was characterized by crucial stages in which EU security policies have been focused. On the area of research and innovation [as reflected in the *ESRIA proposal (2009)* or the *Communication COM (2008) final*], on the area of justice, freedom and security [as reflected in the *Stockholm Programme (2009)*] or on the internal security threats [as reflected in the *EU Internal Security Strategy (2010)*], among others. In addition, many security fields are shaped by additional documents. Besides this micro view, the European Commission communicated clear perspectives on structural aspects of the future European security-related conformity assessment system. The main domains are used for security taxonomy are the security of citizens, critical infrastructure, border security and crisis management.

ESOs of importance are mainly CEN, CENELEC and ETSI, with national standardisation organisations as members. Since all three are private organisations, a co-operation between them and the EC and the European Free Trade Association has been signed¹⁴⁷ in order to ensure that the voluntary and consensus-driven activity of standardisation is accepted and coherent with each other, especially due to the impact on several areas of public concern such as the industry, the single market and the environment.¹⁴⁸ By this it has been enabled that only standards created by those three organisations are recognised as European standards (ENs). The main Technical Committees that are relative to security topics, pictured in the Table 1.

The Technical Committees of CENELEC which are relative to the security topics are:

- CLC/TC 79, Alarm systems, monitoring systems, surveillance systems, access control systems
- CLC / BTTF 133-1, Emergency purposes which are not part of alarm systems/ emergency situations
- CLC/ TC 45AX, Instrumentation, control and electrical systems of nuclear facilities

Respectively the Technical Committees of CENELEC which are relative to the security topics are:

- ESI – Electronic Signatures and Infrastructures
- SCP – Smart Card Platform
- LI – Lawful interception
- Special committee (SC) EMTEL
- ISG quantum cryptography.

In Europe a huge variety of taxonomy is followed from the ESOs, the NSBs (and/or SDOs and. The main security standardisation roadmap that developed recently is the one under the Mandate 487 (2012). Moreover, EU projects like CIPRNet (The Critical Infrastructure Preparedness and Resilience Research Network), ENISA, and others they developed their taxonomy for special security subsectors.

Table 1. CEN TCs relative to Security topics

Committee	Title
CEN/TC 164	Water supply
CEN/TC 162	Protective clothing including hand and arm protection and lifejackets
CEN/TC 278	Intelligent transport systems
CEN/TC 250	Structural Eurocodes
CLC TC 79	Alarm Systems
CEN/TC 251	Health informatics
CEN/TC 264	Air quality
CEN/TC 127	Fire safety in buildings
CEN/TC 189	Geosynthetics
CEN/TC 79	Respiratory protective devices
CEN/TC 224	Personal identification, electronic signature and cards and their related systems and operations
CEN/TC 287	Geographic Information
CEN/TC 234	Gas infrastructure
CEN/TC 346	Conservation of Cultural Heritage
CEN/TC 325	Crime prevention through building, facility and area design
CEN/TC 352	Nanotechnologies
CEN/TC 379	Project Committee - Supply Chain security
CEN/TC 384	PC Airport and aviation security services
CEN/TC 388	Perimeter Protection
CEN/TC 391	Societal and Citizen Security
CEN/CLC/TC 4	PC - Services for fire safety and security systems
CEN/TC 417	PC - Maritime and port security services

In Table 2 the main European standards in the relative security domains are presented.

4. Summarising Advantages – Future Challenges

In accordance to the literature efforts to date have been unsuccessful in removing barriers to greater harmonization. A major obstacle for the expansion of European Fire & Security Group (EFSG) is, among others, the perceived quality of other national certificates in the relevant fields, which again highlights the quality issue. The market segments in which EFSG is active are neither dominated by certificates that certify “good” quality, nor exceptional certificates that certify “excellent” quality. Several market players perceive fundamental differences between two groups of certificates in this regard: a number of certificates whose content is comparable on a high level of quality and “other European certificates”. Several European countries are perceived as providers of high quality products and solutions, and there are even companies which advertise with the slogan “made in country [X]”. Specific concerns exist that collaborations with providers of “other” certificates whose requirements are less advanced bear the risk of diluting the image of their own certificate. The high level of quality which is certified by their specific marks and the excellent image of their certificates have to be kept. Therefore, measures to analyse and improve the quality infrastructure in the relevant other Member States (mostly new Member States) as well as improvements of the image of the relevant certificates, are needed. Obstacles regarding mutual recognition are also caused by organizational barriers. Smaller Member States with a small number of security companies may lack advanced infrastructures to offer these companies attractive certificates. In addition, the smallness of a national security industry hinders the recognition of a certificate by foreign certification bodies and is also a barrier to building trust. Countries with few organizations responsible for certification also have problems to become partners for multinational negotiation processes. In summary, several countries face the problem of a small security industry, the absence of well-known national quality seals and the lack of foreign trust in these seals needed to enter into multinational negotiations.

Table 2. European Standards under the four security domains per relative function

Area of security	Security of the citizens	Critical infrastructure	Border security	Crisis management
Function				
Information collection and management to produce intelligence	CEN/TC 251 EN 15213 EN ISO 14816:2005 ETSI ES 201 671 ETSI TR 102 022-1 ETSI TS 101 331 ETSI TS 102 900 ETSI TS 103 260 FprEN ISO 22311 ITU-T X.1520	CEN/TC 251 EN 16352:2013 FprEN ISO 22311 ETSI EN 300 338 ETSI ES 201 671 ETSI TS 101 331 ETSI TS 103 260 ITU-T X.1520	CEN/TC 251 FprEN ISO 22311 ETSI EN 300 338 ETSI ES 201 671 ETSI TS 101 331	CEN/TC 251 ETSI TR 102 022-1 ETSI TS 102 900 ETSI TS 103 260 ISO 22320:2011 FprEN ISO 22311
Detect	CEN/TC 325 CLC/TC 79 EN 15213 IEC 62851-2:2014 ISO 7240 prEN 16763	CEN/TC 325 CLC/TC 79 EN 15213 EN 60671:2011 ISO 7240 ISO 7753:1987 prEN 16763	CLC/TC 79	CLC/TC 79
Locate	CLC/TC 79 EN 15213 ISO 7240-16:2007	CLC/TC 79 ETSI EN 300 338 ISO 7240-16:2007	CLC/TC 79 ETSI EN 300 338	CLC/TC 79
Track	CLC/TC 79 EN 15213	CLC/TC 79 ETSI EN 300 338	CLC/TC 79 ETSI EN 300 338	CLC/TC 79
Assess	CEN/TS 16595:2013 EN ISO 22301 FprEN ISO 22313 ISO 7240-16:2007 ITU-T X.1520	CEN/TS 16595:2013 EN 60671:2011 EN ISO 22301 FprEN ISO 22313 ISO 7240-16:2007 ISO 11311:2011 ISO 16117:2013 ISO 20858:2007 ITU-T X.1208 ITU-T X.1520		

Source: <http://crispproject.eu>

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A solution might be a collaborative arrangement of countries with un-known seals/quality marks for security products and the creation of a new additional seal “quality in new Member States” based on European standards and managed by a specific institution allowing the entering in collaborations with organizations such as EFSG, ENISA and ESOs. Additional suggestions and recommended steps **might** include:

- Establishment of TRUST between the involved stakeholders and lobbies
- Establishment of flexibility and acceleration in standards’ production process and investigation of the “open standards” perception
- Investigation of options to offer common certification solutions for innovative products and services like those on the ICT cybersecurity subsector (e.g. Standards bodies wants standards for Internet of Things but Vendors don't care)
- Establishment of a common “security” language in European level
- Re-examination of the performance measurement techniques for projects which are funded from FP7 and H2020 in order to avoid overlapping and acting as a brake on the performance of others.

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