

## Awareness Raising Workshop

### European Regulations for Metal-faced Sandwich Panels

#### Informational Note

The German Metrology Institute (Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt - PTB) within its regional project, “Quality Standards for Increased Trade in the Eastern Partnership Countries” aims to strengthen the capacities of the Quality Infrastructure (QI) Institutions to provide services primarily in the areas of the European Green Deal.

To achieve this objective, PTB with its Georgian stakeholders selected the value chain of construction materials, specifically of sandwich panels, to identify the quality gaps along the value chain and plan actions to mitigate the QI related challenges.

According to the action plan elaborated as a result of CALIDENA<sup>1</sup> Kick-off Workshop held in February 2023 in Tbilisi, there are number of activities that are planned to increase the awareness of sandwich panel value chain representatives including local sandwich panel manufacturers, importers, construction companies and thus improve the quality of the sandwich panels manufactured locally as well as imported/placed (installed) on the market in Georgia.

For implementing the actions envisaged under the CALIDENA action plan, PTB will cooperate with the European Association for Panels and Profiles (PPA Europe) and its experts. The first awareness raising workshop led by Dr. Ralf Podleschny, Secretary General of PPA Europe, will be held online on the **5th of June 2023** (the agenda is attached).

For the above-mentioned event, PTB together with the Georgian National Agency for Standards and Metrology (GeoSTM) being the host of the CALIDENA process and the Georgian Construction Materials Cluster (GCMC) being the co-host of the Calidena process, invites ***the local sandwich panel manufacturers, sandwich panel importers, construction companies, testing laboratories and product certification bodies, Georgian National Agency for Standards and Metrology (GeoSTM) Technical Committee (TC5) members (optional), Georgian Accreditation Center (GAC) Assessors (optional), Market Surveillance Agency Specialists (optional)*** to the workshop.

Information about the seminar can be accessed at the following [link](#).

Interested parties can register for the event – [registration link](#).

Registration deadline: **30 May 2023**.

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<sup>1</sup> CALIDENA methodology - a participatory approach developed and applied by PTB to stimulate quality in the selected value chain. It seeks to support the improvement of the QI systematically and sustainably in developing countries and emerging economies by addressing quality aspects along a value chain.